
1964 Porsche 356

Lot sold	USD 0 GBP 0 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1964	Condition	Used
Mileage	6 747 mi / 10 859 km	Location	
Gearbox	Manual	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	159	Car type	Other

Description

"Introduced in 1948, the 356 was Porsche's first production car. Available in either coupé or open sports versions, the 356 was a lightweight rear engined, rear wheel drive sports car with fine handling characteristics. Production continued until 1965. It became a popular car for converting for racing and rallying and enjoyed much success through the years in many famous racing events. As a Porsche 356 SC, it is the top of the range model in the 356's final incarnation; with disc brakes all round and the 95bhp version of the 1600cc push-rod engine.

Offered today is this very special Porsche 356 SC. This thoroughbred has an extensive history file and tale covering two very different identities. Originally imported from Texas in 1991, it was purchased by the previous owner in 1997 as the basis for a historic racer. Subsequently, over the next four years it was transformed to compete in the HSCC competition (Historic Road Sports Class D) events. The total expenditure added up to over £20,000 and included brakes, steering and suspension set up, full roll cage, plumbed in fire extinguisher, racing harnesses and preparation for racing by Sigma Engineering. A full race engine was built by the renowned Porsche specialist, Andy Prill, at a cost of £7,400 and the build was based around an original 1600 Porsche engine block. The engine is believed to produce approximately 120bhp but still retains the flexibility required for road use. Further works include; a conversion to a 12 volt electrical system, lightweight aluminium foam filled fuel tank, a dual circuit brake system and a set of 6x15 factory Fuchs alloy wheels. Detailed records of all these works are contained within the history file.

Since then however, this proper driver's car has undergone a change of ownership and, as a result, a

complete change of focus. Looking for a car of this nature to complete a private collection, a bumper to bumper restoration has taken place. Initially, everything was taken off the shell, including all glass and drivetrain with the shell sent away to be stripped, repaired where necessary and repainted from silver to Gemini Blue. It is reassuring to see multiple invoices from respected specialists Maxted Page & Prill Limited and, latterly, Prill Porsche Classics. The interior is set off with period racing seats; new padding and carpet set as well as a refitted Blaupunkt Frankfurt stereo. Underneath, the engine and gearbox, already out from the repaint, were both rebuilt, including suspension, brakes and fuel system. They also went over the electrical system and loom delivering this car back just last year in lovely condition throughout. Inspection of the comprehensive history file and motorcar itself is highly recommended."

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