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1967 Aston Martin DB6 - Short Chassis Volante Manual

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Price	Price on Request	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1967	Condition	New
Mileage	110 mi / 178 km	Location	
Gearbox	Manual	Fuel type	Petrol
Number of seats	4	Exterior colour	Other
Number of doors	2	Car type	Convertible / Roadster
Recommended fuel type	Normal	Exterior brand colour	Winchester Blue
CO2 efficiency class	G	Metallic	Yes
Drivetrain	2wd	Interior brand colour	Portland Grey
Interior type	Leather	Electric windows	Yes

Description

DB6 SHORT CHASSIS VOLANTE

This superb car is a total rebuild and restoration of a DB6 coupe to precise factory Short Chassis Volante specification. The bodywork was supplied by Bodylines with the nut and bolt restoration carried out to concours standard by the well respected marque specialist Goldsmith & Young Ltd.

The paintwork is Winchester Blue and the interior leather is Portland Grey, with a blue mohair hood and blue Boyriven carpets.

The engine has been rebuilt to 4.2 litre capacity with triple SU carburettors. It has a rebuilt five speed ZF manual gearbox and back axle, and new electric power steering. It also has electronic ignition, a new heavy duty starter motor, aluminium radiator and an extra cooling fan.

The suspension is built on a Harvey Bailey set up installed by Goldsmith & Young and all ancillaries have been renovated or replaced.

The original Short Chassis Volantes were produced between October 1965 and October 1966 with only 37 of the models being built. They were based on 37 remaining DB5 chassis and were produced at the same time as the DB6 started production. They were therefore given DB6 chassis numbers.

The model is therefore not only rare but acknowledged as a very attractive combination of elements of both the DB5 and DB6. For example it has DB6 half bumpers front and rear, DB6 rear lights, and oil cooler. The interior trim and leather work is DB6 while the dash board is DB5. It has an original Motorola radio and electric aerial. Overall it is closer to a DB5 but the DB6 additions complement the package extremely well.

It was the first model to be designated 'Volante', all previous dropheads simply being called convertibles. The Short Chassis description is accurate in that the DB6 chassis was not shortened due to the use of the shorter DB5 chassis. The car is therefore a model in its own right.

As far as the owner, a long time AMOC member, is aware, this car is the only example in existence of a rebodied and restored DB6 coupe to a Short Chassis Volante factory specification. It was recently accepted as an entrant to an AMOC Concours in the Pride of Ownership Heritage Class.

A full set of photographic evidence of the rebuild is available on volante.squarespace.com, or a booklet is available on request.

In essence, this is a brand new car having done only 110 miles since completion and could with justification be named the "38th" Short Chassis Volante.

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