
1977 Morgan Plus 8

Lot sold	USD 0 GBP 0 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1977	Condition	Used
Mileage	26 212 mi / 42 185 km	Location	
Gearbox	Manual	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	246	Car type	Other

Description

"Introduced in 1968, the Plus 8 became such an instant hit and enduring success that it not only provided the bedrock on which Morgan could build for the future, but quite possibly saved the company at a difficult time in its long history. Searching for new engines, Morgan concluded a deal with Rover for supply of its all aluminium 3.5 litre V8, thus creating a car that combined vintage charm with Cobra-like 'grunt' - the Plus 8. Morgan's Plus 4 chassis, strengthened and extended, formed the basis of the new car. After a successful debut at the 1968 London Motor Show, production commenced at the rate of around 15 cars per month. While the traditionally styled Morgan's brick-like aerodynamics restricted top speed to around 125mph (more than fast enough for most people driving an open car) the Rover V8's 168bhp made for supercar league performance through the gears. The Morgan Plus 8 was very popular and remained in production for 36 years.

Originally registered on 21st March 1977 this Morgan has been owned by the vendor for the last 30 years. In 1987 the car was restored at The Morgan Motor Factory including a new aluminium body, wings and frame. In 1993 the engine was rebuilt by Techniques to 4.1 litre fast road specification, an oil cooler was also fitted together with a Harpers SS tuned exhaust system. The brakes have been upgraded as have the shock absorbers. This is a Morgan that certainly travels with alacrity. During his stewardship, the vendor has spent long periods working overseas which accounts for the low mileage; however the car has been professionally stored in his absence. Presenting in very good order, this Morgan is supplied with a V5 registration certificate and a history folder. Without doubt this is an interesting Plus 8 that offers performance and handling second to none.

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