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## 1997 Bentley Turbo

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Lot sold	<b>USD 0</b> GBP 0 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1997	Condition	Used
Mileage	49 101 mi / 79 021 km	Location	
Gearbox	Automatic	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	137	Car type	Other

### Description

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"Manufacture of the Bentley Turbo R began in 1985 and followed the successful Bentley Mulsanne and was a further development of the brand with production ceasing in 1997. In total, 7,230 units of the Turbo R were produced during its 12 year production period. The 'R' stood for 'Road-holding' to set it apart from its predecessor, the Mulsanne, courtesy of substantially stiffer anti-roll bar settings, a Panhard rod system and increased damping. Wider tyres on alloy wheels were also a first for a Bentley on the Turbo R. The suspension changes transformed the soft ride of the Mulsanne into that of a real performer with motoring press proclaiming this model to be more faithful to Bentley's racing pedigree. In 1995, a 'new' Turbo R was launched featuring, amongst other things, fuel injection. This contributed towards a mighty 385bhp output. This example, manufactured during the last year of production, was originally supplied by HR Owen and is presented in exceptional condition throughout. Being a long wheelbase model (LWB), it features a smooth four-speed gearbox and fuel injection was much more economical than the older cars. This Bentley was formerly owned by a member of the royal family, David Linley, the Earl of Snowdon, who is the son of Princess Margaret and Anthony Armstrong-Jones making him the nephew of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II and grandson of His Majesty King George VI and Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother. The coachwork is finished in stunning Claret whilst complemented with Magnolia leather, claret carpets, picnic tables, walnut dashboard and fittings and lambswool over mats. Supplied by Jack Barclay London she has been very well maintained with all early services carried out by Bentley main dealers, stamped in the service book. Later maintenance was carried out by Bentley specialists and

recorded with invoices within the history file. Recent expenditure has included, four new Avonspeed tyres, suspension and brake work. We are informed that the result is a Bentley that drives very well. UK registered, we are informed, she will arrive at the sale with a fresh MoT test certificate. With massive amounts of torque to propel her along at speeds that would embarrass some supercars, it really is an event every time you drive one of these traditional Bentleys. The rear comfort is fabulous with plenty of space and opulence, so with a low recorded mileage and excellent history, this lovely Bentley is ready to transport you in luxury whether as being chauffeured or as the driver.

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