


1955 Austin-Healey 100 - BN2

BN2

- Lot sold
USD 0
- **Year of manufacture** 1955
- **Lot number** 307
- **Drive** RHD
- **Condition** Used
- **Location** 
- **Exterior colour** Black
- **Car type** Other
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Description

- Meticulous concours-quality restoration
- Retains its matching-numbers engine
- Offered with 1968 California black plates
- Includes driver's manual and BMIHT certificate

Please note that this lot is titled as a 1956.

Austin-Healey, as no other marque did, capitalized on the success of British sports cars in America. The pre-war-designed MG TD started it, and the post-war Jaguar XK 120 proved its considerable financial rewards, but Donald Healey and Leonard Lord of Austin Motors realized and exploited its commercial opportunities.

Discovered in California several years ago as a rust-free barn find, this BN2 was purchased from the son of the original owner as an ambitious restoration project. A one-of-a-kind find, the car was untouched since the 1960s, providing an ideal base for a restoration with very good bodywork and free from significant corrosion. Upon being shipped to Victoria, Canada, the Austin-Healey began a lengthy restoration overseen by established Austin-Healey judge Trevor Parker.

Jason Stoch of Jetstream Custom Auto was commissioned to carry out a complete and accurate concours-quality restoration. A concerted effort was made to keep all original parts with replacement parts only used where deemed necessary. Utilizing the same talent that Rudi Koniczek uses on his award-winning 300 SL restorations, the BN2 was fully disassembled, stripped to the bare metal, and media-blasted. The body and chassis were primed and painted in their original black color. Mechanically, the engine was rebuilt with stock bore and pistons, and a Le Mans-upgrade camshaft kit was installed. The original carburetors were rebuilt with new shafts. The transmission was inspected and road-tested in-chassis, with new seals and bearings installed.

The interior was professionally fitted by Geoff Chrysler of Rightway Heritage Trimming, a well-known Austin-Healey specialist. Every feature of the interior was taken into consideration by Geoff to ensure concours-level accuracy in fitting the interior of this BN2. The interior leather was custom-dyed Persimmon Red to match the color as found in the original interior.

This 1955 Austin Healey 100 BN2 is ideal for display at club concours and eligible for a host of classic driving events—and surely will not disappoint on the road or field. To view this car and others currently consigned to this auction, please visit the RM website at [rmsothebys.com/en/auctions/mo19](https://www.rmsothebys.com/en/auctions/mo19).

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