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## 1972 Mercedes-Benz S-Class

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Lot sold	<b>USD 41 022 - 54 696</b> GBP 30 000 - 40 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1972	Condition	Used
Mileage	12 000 km / 7 457 mi	Location	
Chassis number	10805722011725	Fuel type	Petrol
Number of seats	2	Exterior colour	Other
Drivetrain	2wd	Car type	Other
Lot number	235	Engine number	11698022013229
		Exterior brand colour	Green

### Description

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Matching-numbers, totally original, UK-supplied saloon that has covered just 12,150 miles from new. Factory options included a limited slip differential, tinted glass, a heated rear screen, and seat belts. Documented bare-metal restoration. Superbly finished in its original Pine Green Metallic with Bamboo upholstery. Supplied with the original handpack, service books, spare keys and correspondence confirming the mileage. Prior to the sale, this vehicle will have an oil and filter service with fresh fluids and be MOT'd, road tested and inspected. The late 1960's and early 1970's were a defining era for Mercedes-Benz when its subtle Paul Bracq-influenced designs were finding a new generation of well-heeled buyers. To fulfil demand, Mercedes-Benz decided on a new V-8 engine aimed at the critical US market whilst meeting new stringent emissions requirements. As such, in 1970, the M116 engine was added to the W111 model range as an option over its six-cylinder rival for those who desired more ample performance. Hand-built, the 280 SE Coup was praised by contemporary car magazines for its quietness, refined performance, and handling, particularly at high speed. This, amazingly low mileage, beautifully restored, and very rare UK 1972 Mercedes-Benz 280SE 3.5 (W108) Saloon has been in an eclectic private collection since 2008. Present in the history file are pictures of the car's comprehensive bare-metal restoration, as well as many invoices and period documents, including the original invoice for the car when new from Charles Sidney Ltd of Bradford to the car's one owner (other than our vendor) a Mr Walter Wymer of Wakefield, West

Yorkshire. The invoice confirms that the car cost him 5,112 on 2nd November 1972, including factory options of a limited slip differential, tinted glass all round, a heated rear screen, and seat belts! It was supplied, as it is today, in Pine Green Metallic (DB862) with Bamboo MB-tex upholstery (167) and is a matching-numbers, totally original car that has covered just 12,150 miles from new. The history file also has the original handpack, service books and spare keys as well as detailed correspondence between the late original owner and our vendor confirming the mileage as correct. Prior to the sale, this vehicle will have an oil and filter service with fresh fluids and be MOT'd, road tested and inspected. An amazing discovery and a fantastic collector's car for the future.

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