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1977 Porsche 911 "G" - 911 2.7 'Safari'

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Lot sold	USD 0 GBP 0 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1977	Condition	Used
Lot number	185	Location	
		Exterior colour	Other
		Car type	Other

Description

- Stunning recreation of the iconic Safari Rally Porsches
- Modified 2.7-litre engine with 915 manual gearbox
- Full roll cage and central fire extinguisher fitted

The Safari Rally, originally known as the East African Coronation Safari, was a legendary rally race held annually in Kenya. With a covered distance in excess of 5,000 kilometres through the harsh landscape of the Kenyan desert, it was a demanding test of both man and machine, a test that Porsche was to contest several times in the 1970s. Built as an homage to the 1979 entry, the incredible machine on offer here faithfully recreates the appearance and performance of that iconic competition Porsche.

The basis for the project was a rust-free 1977 Porsche 911 2.7. The car was carefully dismantled, and the existing paint was removed so as to not interfere with the factory anti-corrosion coating. It was then subjected to some 300 hours of work to reinforce the body and suspension attachment points. During this process the body structure, including the doors, was extensively lightened. A 10-point roll cage was also installed at this time. The stock interior was also completely eliminated, with polycarbonate windows being fitted to further reduce weight.

Every area of the suspension system was then specially modified or built from scratch to raise the car approximately 12 centimetres above the stock ride height. The front and rear shock absorbers were scratch-built by a Bilstein specialist, with thicker and reinforced tubes and longer travel to better

overcome obstacles and to have more grip in the dirt roads and jumps. Consequently, this Porsche is highly capable on even the roughest of roads.

The car is powered by a modified 2.7-litre engine backed by a specially prepared 915 manual gearbox with special aluminum racing clutch kit. Carburetion is provided by specially modified Weber carburetors. In preparation for the upgraded engine, a special engine-oil cooler was fitted in the front of the Porsche.

This iconic Porsche 911, which weighs just 960 kilograms fully loaded, is sure to provide an exhilarating driving experience. It has already been proven in the hands of several professional racing drivers and is fully ready for any road or terrain in the world. Like the original Safari cars, it is fitted with Oscar headlights, a roof rack made to measure and designed for raids or safaris equipped with a gasoline drum, a spare wheel, plates to get out of mud or sand, shovel, and a pneumatic jack that works with the exhaust gases to get out of any situation.

You'd be hard-pressed to find a more attractive and more capable Porsche anywhere in the world. To view this car and others currently consigned to this auction, please visit the RM website at rmsothebys.com/en/auctions/lf19.

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