
1977 Mercedes-Benz SL

Lot sold	USD 33 722 - 40 466 GBP 25 000 - 30 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1977	Condition	Used
Mileage	24 386 mi / 39 246 km	Location	
Chassis number	10704422040629	Fuel type	Petrol
Number of seats	2	Exterior colour	Other
Drivetrain	2wd	Car type	Other
Lot number	222	Engine number	11798522018804

Description

An original, UK right-hand drive R107 that has only covered 24,386 miles. Purchased from Mercedes-Benz main dealer (Whitfields) in 2008 with 23,900 miles. Placed in dry storage in 2008 as part of a large private collection. Complete book pack with service invoices. Freshly MOT'd for the sale. Looking more handsome with every passing year, the R107-Series Mercedes SL was built at a time when the Stuttgart firm still had a reputation for building cars that made granite feel flimsy. Fast, comfortable and discreetly understated, it had an unparalleled ability to devour the miles for year after year without ever seeming to falter. No wonder it stayed in production fundamentally unaltered from 1971 until 1989 the longest running chassis in Mercedes history. The cars were offered with a wide range of power units using both straight-six and V8 engines, but one of the best was the 450SL V8 which developed 225bhp and 278lb/ft of torque, sufficient to propel the, by no means lightweight, cabriolet to a top speed of 130mph. A big favourite among the Hollywood jet-set (two-thirds of all these cars went to the States), no episode of 'Dallas' was complete without an SL sweeping up to a Texan billionaire's ranch. This 1977 450SL (R107) is an original UK-supplied, right-hand drive car finished in Nautic Blue Metallic with a matching blue interior and rare factory hardtop. It was purchased by our vendor from Mercedes main dealer Whitefields in 2008 at 23,900 miles and placed in dry storage as part of his private collection, which includes several other classic Mercedes-Benz. The car has covered very little mileage over the last 11 years remaining in the collection and only

exercised occasionally and, as you can see, it remains in a condition that reflects its very low mileage and the way in which it has been kept. This really is a time warp example of this very desirable model from an era when these cars were truly over-engineered and represented the finest European roadsters available. It's accompanied by its complete book pack, service invoices and a fresh MOT.

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