

## Aston Martin Vantage

Lot sold	<b>USD 124 199 - 151 799</b> GBP 90 000 - 110 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Number of seats	2	Condition	Used
Drivetrain	2wd	Location	
Lot number	213	Fuel type	Petrol
		Exterior colour	Other
		Car type	Other

### Description

Built by Prodrive, two of only four Rally GT cars ever made. Both cars prepared and run by David Appleby Engineering with no expense spared as the ultimate club rally cars RAL 7Y a complete car with reported 420bhp at the wheels, GEMS dash, Hewland six-speed sequential gearbox and rose-jointed suspension OU06 ETJ presented to auction needing completing having been stripped with the aim of competing in European GT rally class. Lightweight specification Comprehensive spares package approx 50 wheels and tyres, three Hewland sequential gearboxes, exhaust systems, sump guard etc Prodrive is a world-leading motorsport and advanced technology business which has been involved in some of the most memorable moments in motorsport history. Perhaps the most iconic moment in the company's history was Colin McRae's victory on the RAC Rally in 1995, making him Britain's first World Rally Champion and bringing Subaru the first of three consecutive manufacturers' titles. Prodrive's success in rallying is mirrored by their success in circuit racing, a discipline they started in 1987 by running BMW's entry in the British Touring Car Championship. Since 2005 Prodrive have successfully been running the Aston Martin Racing programme, which is where the lots we have here come into the story. During the production of the V8 Vantage in GT2, GT3 and GT4 format, Prodrive investigated the suitability of using the Vantage in rallying and four cars were built. The two cars we have on offer here, which rather excitingly are offered as one Lot including the spares package, are two of those four cars and both were prepared and run by David Appleby Engineering for our vendor, as the ultimate club rally cars with little regard to cost. Our vendor has enjoyed the thrill on offer with the Vantage Rally GT cars for many years and has had great success along the

way. Unfortunately, due to ill health within his family, the time has come to move these cars onto a new home. Both cars, and the significant spares package, are therefore coming to auction as one Lot and are presented to auction as is. These are very special motor cars and full details of the build, components and specification would run to several pages and there is simply not enough space here to do them justice so we encourage any interested parties to come to the auction to see the cars for themselves, or, call the office for more detailed information. However, below is a short summary: RAL7Y is a complete car although it must be noted it has not competed for a number of years so interested parties will, therefore, need to factor in currency and legality on some parts such as seat, extinguisher, belts etc. The car boasts a Hewland sequential 6-speed gearbox, upgraded Prodrive WRC brakes, Rose-jointed suspension with Extec dampers, an uprated engine with many steel parts (reported circa 420bhp at the wheels), GEMS dash, floor-mounted pedal box, Peltor intercom and a trip computer. OU06 ETJ is presented to auction needing completion having been partially stripped with the aim of competing in the European GT rally class. The lightweight specification of this car includes an aircraft-quality lightweight loom with full GEMS management system, carbon fibre Group 3 dash and extensive weight saving. Furthermore, it boasts WRC brakes, Rose-jointed suspension with Extec dampers, 6-speed sequential Hewland gearbox (ready to be fitted), competition CATS and stainless-steel exhaust system and the engine is currently stripped and with the engine builder. Included with the two cars is the aforementioned spares package (please note the spares will not be at the sale but will be available to pick up from the vendors home after the sale). A full list will be available to see at the auction and some pictures have been taken that will be available on our website listing. The vendor informs us that there are approximately 50 wheels and tyres, three Hewland sequential gearboxes (one stripped), sump guard, exhaust systems, open rear pipes for both cars, alternator, cables etc. Interestingly offered as one lot, this is an extremely rare opportunity to buy two of the four V8 Aston Martin Rally cars ever made, the design of which was the outcome of a collaboration between some of the best minds in rallying and racing. With the likelihood of invitations to some of the most prestigious events worldwide and the sheer cachet of running a Vantage GT on some breathtaking stages a couple of feet ahead of the most ribcage-rattling, primeval V8 howl you have ever heard, the guide price for this substantial package seems very tempting.

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