

2004 Mercedes-Benz SL

Lot sold	USD 54 971 - 68 713 GBP 40 000 - 50 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	2004	Condition	Used
Mileage	13 622 mi / 21 923 km	Location	
Gearbox	Automatic	Exterior colour	Other
Chassis number	WDB2304792F0969	Car type	Other
Lot number	123	Engine number	27598160001233
		Exterior brand colour	Almandine Black Metallic

Description

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keep-you-alive electronics. At 740 lbs-ft, the torque output is sufficient to keep you pinned in the immaculately stitched leather seats, in any gear at any time, whilst the five-speed automatic transmission with manual capability provides a good level of control. Distinctive 19" dual-spoke AMG-signature alloys camouflage the eight-piston caliperperformance brakes and the suspension has been subtly tweaked to deal with the general increase in numbers. Performance is documented at 0-60mph in 3.6 secs and 0-100 mph in 7.5 seconds. All in all, a beautifully packaged amalgam of huge power, sumptuous comfort and window-rattling noise. This distinctive, original UK-supplied, right-hand drive, SL65AMG was ordered from Greenoaks Mercedes in late July 2004 and from the original purchase invoice, we can see that it was specified in Almandine Black Metallic with Designo Single-tone exclusive leather, Designo Maple door caps, Designo Anthracite carpets and Comfort Ventilated Seats bringing the overall total to a substantial 151,239.19. The Pre-Delivery inspection sheet is dated 16-11-2004 and is in the history file. At the time of cataloguing the indicated mileage is 13,622 and this is corroborated by the service booklet which records six services at Mercedes-Benz /AMG dealers with the most recent at Mercedes Norwich on 11-10-2019 at 13,307 miles. There are invoices in the file that detail these services and any additional works that were required as well as a complete complement of MOTs going back to 7-01-2007 including the current one which is valid until 20-04-2021. The car appears to be in superb condition throughout and is supplied with both keys and the complete owner's manuals in the correct binder. The R230 is one of the best-looking cars from the period and the larger-engined AMG cars have become collectable modern classics. Considering that less than 14,000 miles ago over 150,000 would have been necessary to own this fabulous, top-of-the-range Mercedes, today's guide seems sensible indeed. Lot No. 123 - 2004 Mercedes-Benz SL65 AMG (R230) <https://youtu.be/4MSIcg5p27strue>

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