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## 1973 BMW 3.0

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Lot sold	<b>USD 130 641 - 158 144</b> GBP 95 000 - 115 000 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1973	Condition	Used
Gearbox	Manual	Location	
Chassis number	2231716	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	168	Car type	Other
		Engine number	2231716

### Description

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new windscreen and rubbers, plumbed-in fire extinguisher, ATL fuel cell to FIA standard FT3-1999 (with a Certificate of Conformance valid until 2022), OMP race seat (in compliance with FIA standard 8859-1999), racing harness and a Custom Cages roll cage. Our vendor, a well-known collector and historic racing driver bought the Batmobile from its previous owner, who commissioned the initial build, and has painstakingly gone through this wonderful machine during his ownership and the results are clear to see. Interestingly, going through the history file, there is some correspondence between our vendor and the MSA as to the car's potential eligibility for FIA papers. Our vendor informs us that he has been advised that there are five minor areas that would need to be addressed in order to potentially obtain an FIA HTP. 1. Change the bell housing for the period-correct item. 2. Change the clutch slave cylinder. 3. Change the distributor. 4. Change the Brembo calipers for original BMW parts. 5. The exhaust should not be recessed into the bodywork and a small section of the floor would need to be returned to manufacturer's spec. Our vendor has preferred to use this fabulous replica for road use during his ownership and he is generously including the cherished private plate 4 BYJ in the sale. Finished in Chamonix White with the classic 'M Sport' stripes in Process Blue, Purple 268 and Warm Red and sounding fabulous, this fantastic homage to the iconic Batmobile would cost considerably over 100k to replicate today. Accompanied by the aforementioned history file, correspondence with the MSA, along with its UK V5C, Silverstone Auctions are proud to offer this superbly crafted homage to one of the most legendary Touring Cars in BMW's history. For those of us of a certain age, there is a huge amount of appeal in being able to enjoy a serious 'track day' on a Thursday at Silverstone in a gorgeous, well-sorted, E9 'Batmobile' and 'burble up' in the same car at your favourite pub on a Sunday lunchtime. Video of the 1973 BMW 3.0 CSL 'Batmobile' Group 2 Evocation [https://youtu.be/q\\_FSdQIEfNQtrue](https://youtu.be/q_FSdQIEfNQtrue)

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