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## 1953 MG TD

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Lot sold	<b>USD 27 600 - 34 500</b> GBP 20 000 - 25 000 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1953	Condition	Used
Chassis number	TD21151EXLNA	Location	
Lot number	409	Exterior colour	Other
		Car type	Other
		Engine number	XPAG/TD2/21517
		Exterior brand colour	Red

### Description

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A left-hand drive, California car that returned to the UK in 2011. Thoroughly restored; chassis stripped and rebuilt, bare metal respray, new wiring loom, seats and brightwork, new leather interior, superior carpet set, new side screens and soft top, short tonneau cover. Engine bored out to 1380cc and fully balanced. Fitted with a fully rebuilt, 5-speed, Ford Type-9 gearbox. Documentation from the USA including receipts for repairs and maintenance, along with UK MOTs, a multitude of invoices from the restoration, a memory stick of images of the car and a current V5c. There is no point in being modest, this is one of the best T-Series restorations that we have ever seen. The penultimate T-Series Midget, the TD, appeared in 1949. A continuation of the 1930s designed TC, the TD heralded some well-received post-war refinements; independent front suspension, rack and pinion steering, steel wheels, and the availability of left-hand drive, made the TD an appealing motorcar for the export market. When production of the TD finished in 1953 it's reported that all but around 1,650 of the 30,000 cars produced were exported, with 23,000 or so heading to the USA alone, this very car amongst them. Supplied originally to California this lovely MG TD was used as a daily driver for the first 70,000 miles of its life before returning home in 2011. It then underwent a thorough restoration by its previous custodian; chassis stripped and rebuilt, bare metal respray, new wiring loom, seats and brightwork, engine bored out to 1380cc and fully balanced, fitted with a fully rebuilt, 5-speed, Ford Type-9 gearbox, new leather interior, superior carpet set, new side screens and soft top, short tonneau cover. After being purchased by its current owner, the car has been driven sparingly and

stored indoors undercover and we understand that the little MG starts, runs and drives very nicely indeed. The generous history file shows documentation from the USA including receipts for repairs and maintenance, along with UK MOTs, a multitude of invoices from the restoration, a memory stick of images of the car and a current V5 certificate. A superbly presented example in MG-Red with a Biscuit leather interior, this lovely 1953 MGTD is primed and ready for adventure.

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