

2011 Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG

Lot sold	USD 136 740 - 164 088 GBP 100 000 - 120 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	2011	Condition	Used
Mileage	10 804 mi / 17 388 km	Location	
Chassis number	WMX1974772A0071	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	519	Car type	Other
		Engine number	15998060007165
		Exterior brand colour	Designo Mystic White

Description

An exceptional UK/right-hand drive SLS with just 10,804 miles and full Mercedes-Benz service history. Finished in Mystic White with 10-spoke AMG alloys, red AMG callipers and carbon mirrors. Stunning cockpit in Classic Red leather with a carbon centre-console, AMG Performance steering wheel and 'Aircar' neck-level heating. Normally-aspirated 6.2-litre AMG V8 with 563bhp matched to a 7-speed, double-clutch AMG Speedshift gearbox, giving a 0-62mph time of 3.8 seconds and a top speed of 197mph. Remarkably torsionally stiff with a bodyshell that weighs a mere 2kg more than that of the Coupe with an identical drivetrain and lightweight carbon driveshafts. A supremely refined and capable open-top supercar with the added benefit of being engulfed in the rousing soundtrack of one of the best V8 engines ever produced by AMG. The Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG Roadster is the open-top version of one of the most sought-after supercars of the last ten years. Its low, sleek and sufficiently dramatic to stop pedestrians in their tracks, but can it possibly compete with the SLS Coupe in the way in which it drives? With no exaggeration, reviewers of the Roadster were quick to say that it's an even more convincing proposition to drive than the Coupe. The level of grip is remarkable and it stops with great conviction, but where the soft-top really presses its case is in the more subtle areas of its handling repertoire, many of which are a nudge ahead of its fixed-roof sibling. The engineering changes Mercedes made to counter the loss of rigidity caused by the absence of a fixed roof provide the SLS Roadster with an even more fluid feel to its handling. Pushed

hard, it feels better balanced and, with its overzealous traction control turned off, it's nothing short of sublime. The SLS Roadster possesses better body control and greater levels of feedback than the Coup, and if there is any lack of rigidity it is never obvious. AMG claims that minimal strengthening to the chassis was required to compensate for the lack of a roof, as the car was designed as a Roadster from the start. Tweaks include thicker aluminium for the sills, a reinforcing cross-member under the dash and another brace positioned behind the seats. The end result is a level of torsional stiffness that's almost identical to that of the SLS Coupe. It's not lacking in performance, either. Boasting the same 6.2-litre V8 as the Coupe, the Roadster produces 563bhp and 479lb.ft of torque generating an official 0-62mph time of 3.8 seconds, while top speed is put at a bouffant-rearranging, 197mph. And without a roof to filter out its soundtrack, there are tiny nuances in the exhaust note evident in the Roadster that you just don't notice with the Coupe, whether it be entertaining pops and crackles on a trailing throttle or the NASCAR-grade growl on a wide-open throttle. But perhaps the Roadster's most persuasive sales attribute is its striking appearance, which is nothing short of spectacular. The retro-inspired exterior, credited to British-born Mercedes designer Mark Featherstone, lends itself well to the open-top treatment, giving the roadster a satisfyingly low-slung look that sets it apart from its fixed-roof twin. AMG has also introduced optional electronically adjustable dampers on the Roadster, with three settings, Comfort, Sport and Sport +. The car presented here is a 2011 Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG Roadster finished in Designo Mystic White with 10-spoke AMG alloys, red AMG calipers and carbon mirrors. The Classic Red leather interior features a carbon centre-console, AMG Performance steering wheel and 'Aircarft' neck-level heating. First registered on 20-12-2011, just in time for Christmas, it joined our vendors collection in 2017 but has only been lightly used recently. It enjoyed a B Service at Mercedes on 15/09/2017 at 10,198 miles and its current mileage (supported by prior MOTs and service records) is 10,804, only 600 since the last service. The car was freshly MOTd on 22/06/20. It's accompanied by its full Mercedes book pack, V5c, older MOTs and invoices and the appropriate registration number, KS10 SLS, will remain with the car. The SLS Roadster was destined to be a modern classic from the moment it arrived and this superbly presented and maintained example would fit nicely into any collection of important motor cars. We welcome any inspection and, at 'No Reserve', anticipate serious interest. 2011 Mercedes-Benz SLS Roadster <https://youtu.be/3qcdNHPx5jgfalse>

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