
1928 Packard Eight - Roadster

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Lot sold	USD 0	Condition	Used
Year of manufacture	1928	Location	
Lot number	2004	Exterior colour	Other
		Car type	Other

Description

Estimate:

\$100,000 - \$125,000

- Iconic Jazz Age runabout with beautiful styling
- The most desirable coachwork on the most powerful Custom Eight chassis
- Well-presented older restoration in striking colors; well-sorted mechanically
- Classic Car Club of America Full Classic

Nineteen twenty-eight was Packard's final year for drum headlamps and cowl lights, a Motometer radiator mascot, and primer cups on the engine. The top-of-the-line 443 on a 143-inch-wheelbase chassis sported an engine on rubber motor mounts with an updraft carburetor and dual-coil Delco Remy ignition system, as well as the first use of ventilator doors, rather than louvers, on the hood, which visually distinguished the model from lesser sixes. Price-wise, there was no mistaking the 443, which sold for nearly twice the cost of a Six!

The 443 Custom Eight could be had with its frame and bodywork in any color of the owner's choice at no additional cost, making it "Custom" indeed for the buyer. Further, side-mounted spares and a trunk rack could be selected without an extra charge.

The runabout offered here is the most desirable, sporty and flamboyant body style on this potent chassis. It is finished in a striking period-correct livery of green and black, with cream accents on the beltline molding and disc wheels. Whitewall tires add a further jaunty flair. Accessories include the aforementioned dual side-mounted spares with fabric covers and a trunk rack, supporting a period-

correct trunk with fitted luggage, as well as dual driving lights, a radiator stone guard, and a Motometer with "Goddess of Speed" mascot. Of course, the car also incorporates this model's standard features of a rumble seat and golf bag doors, for additional fun in the sun.

A handsome and well-maintained older restoration that has recently undergone considerable mechanical sorting throughout, this Custom Eight Runabout is described as being in excellent running and driving order. It is sure to delight any enthusiast of Gatsby-era motorcars, and is eligible for any of the Classic Car Club of America's activities in the coming show season. To view this car and others currently consigned to this auction, please visit the RM website at rmsothebys.com/en/auctions/0620.

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