
1976 Opel Commodore

Lot sold	USD 15 807 - 20 324 EUR 14 000 - 18 000 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1976	Condition	Restored
Country VAT	FR	Location	
Lot number	17	Exterior colour	Brown
		Car type	Coupé

Description

- French registration title
- Delivered new in France
 - Pleasant 6 cyl. engine
 - Known history

While at the time the European subsidiary of General Motors, Opel had great ambitions, in particular that of competing with the references that were already Mercedes and BMW. The first generation of Commodore saw the light of day in 1967. It was based on the Rekord, top of the range of the German brand, whose lights, chrome, but above all the front and rear of the car were redesigned. The Commodore A gave way to a new version in 1972, the Commodore B. Wanting to assert itself as the new top of the range of the firm, only the 6 cylinder block was retained, available in 2.5L and 2.8L, developing up to to 160 horsepower in the 2800 GS / E version, which is 15 horsepower more than in the BMW 525. Two bodies are in the catalog, the 4-door sedan and the coupe. A 3-speed automatic or 4-speed mechanical gearbox were available, the latter being the best choice to exploit its sporting capacities and go close to the announced 200 kph. Not well known and almost impossible to find, the Opel Commodore remains capable of providing real driving pleasure and proves to be a more than credible alternative to its more well-known rivals at the time.

The example shown in these pages is a GS / E coupe fitted with the 2.8L 6 cylinder, first registered on March 1, 1976 in the Isère department. He will join a new owner two years later where he obtains his new registration 7089 QW 01 which he will keep until 2018. The car is today in a good original condition, it has apparently kept its period paint and the velvet interior are well preserved. The black

vinyl roof associated with its deliciously seventies color suits it perfectly. The black border, the additional headlights as well as the added BBS rims give it a real sporty look. Our car is also equipped with headlight wipers, a rare vintage option! With the exception of a few minor flaws related to its use, the body has a nice patina and is generally very healthy. At the wheel of the Commodore, we appreciate the hiss of the 6 cylinder and the manual gearbox that fits perfectly to hand. The acceleration is straightforward and linear, this Opel Commodore is a treat and clearly deserves to be rediscovered.

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