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1985 Ferrari 328

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| Lot sold | USD 111 390 - 167 084 GBP 80 000 - 120 000 (listed) | Condition | Used |
| Year of manufacture | 1985 | Location |  |
| Chassis number | ZFFWA19B0000607 | Exterior colour | Other |
| Lot number | 101 | | |

Description

1985 Ferrari 328 GTB Coupé
Registration no. C365 OVW
Chassis no. ZFFWA19B000060743

Introduced in 1985, the Ferrari 328 GTB was similar to the preceding 308 GTB apart from its 3.2-litre engine. Representing the second generation of Ferrari's V8-engined road cars, the entirely new 308 GTB had debuted at the Paris Salon in 1975. This particular model line had begun in 1973 with the Dino-badged 308 GT4 2+2. The newcomer's wedge-shaped styling - by Bertone rather than the customary Pininfarina - was not universally well received but the performance of the amidships-mounted, double-overhead-camshaft 3.0-litre V8 certainly was, and a dry-sump version of the same power unit was used for the 308 GT4's two-seat successor. Built on a shorter wheelbase, the stunningly beautiful 308 GTB marked a welcome return to Pininfarina styling. Further developments included the introduction in 1977 of an open-top GTS version with Targa-style removable roof, the adoption of Bosch K-Jetronic fuel injection (1980) and, finally, revised cylinder heads with four valves per cylinder (1982).

In 1985, the 308 was superseded by the mechanically similar but larger engined 328 GTB. By increasing both bore and stroke, the quattrovalvole engine's capacity was raised to 3,186cc which, together with a higher compression ratio, revised pistons, and an improved Marelli engine management system, lifted maximum power to 270bhp. Top speed was raised to within a whisker of 160mph with the sprint to 62mph covered in a fraction over 5.5 seconds. On the outside, the elegant simplicity of Pininfarina's original 308 had been diluted somewhat but its underlying beauty, though, could not be disguised. "In our book, this is still the most beautiful of all contemporary exotics - a gorgeous looking car," declared Motor magazine. The 328 GTB/GTS continued in production until 1989, by which time almost 22,000 308/328s of all types had been sold, making the model the most commercially successful Ferrari of all time.

This left-hand drive 328 GTB was sold new in Italy via the official Ferrari agent Crepaldi Automobili of

Milan in January 1986 and serviced by them in July of that year at 2,480km (service card on file). In November 2014 the Ferrari was imported into the UK and registered to a Mr Stefano Leveni of London. Motor Service Srl of Modena serviced the car on 27th April 2016 at 5,348km at a cost of 1,730, and in June 2019 Ferrari Classiche certification was obtained. The current vendor acquired the Ferrari from marque specialists Joe Macari Performance Cars in July 2019. Described by the vendor as in excellent condition throughout, this-little used Ferrari 328 GTB is offered with sundry bills, current MoT, and a V5C Registration Certificate.

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