

CLASSIC DRIVER



1968 Morris Minor - Van / Commercial

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Price	USD 29 530 EUR 24 500 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1968	Interior colour	Red
Gearbox	Manual	Condition	Restored
Number of seats	2	Location	
Number of doors	2	Fuel type	Petrol
		Exterior colour	Red
		Car type	Other

Description

- A quintessential English classic
- Nicely restored example
- Superb car to use for company advertising
- One of the reasons the Minor is so well-loved today is that it conjures up these misty-eyed visions of an age when life was simpler

The Mini is the car most often associated with the genius of Sir Alec Issigonis. But as any student of British classics will know, he also penned the Morris Minor, another triumph of design, space and engineering for the time.

While the Mini could seat four and became a style icon in the swinging 60s, the Minor pre-dated the little car by more than a decade and was a revolutionary family car with a proper boot - it was also Sir Alec's favourite, so who are we to argue?

In May 1953, the so called Light Commercial Vans were introduced LCVs were launched in May 1953, shortly after the merger of Morris and Austin to form the British Motor Corporation, and were

produced both as the Series II and the 1000. The LCVs are sometimes classified apart from the Morris Minor saloons, convertibles and travellers.

The main difference from saloons, convertibles and travellers is their separate chassis, on to which either a van back or a pick-up bed can be bolted. They were also made available simply as a rolling cab/chassis so that custom coachbuilders could build their own bodies.

The main users of these vehicles were the General Post Office and the Royal Mail. The Royal Mail vans were each assigned to a specific driver, unlike the Post Office vans which were shared out and driven by anybody. Consequently, the Post Office vans took a bit more of a hammering than the Royal Mail vans, so in an attempt to reduce the damage to the front wings caused by careless parking, the Post Office had specially produced rubber wings fitted to their Series II vans.

ABOUT THIS SPECIFIC EXAMPLE

This specific Morris Minor Van is a very nice example which is newly delivered in Holland.

It was for a long period owned by a large Morris Minor collector who decided to sell his collection approximately 12 years ago.

He owned all types of Morris Minors including convertibles, saloons, estates and this Van.

The Van was certainly the rarest of the collection and was already in a very nice collection but the former owner decided to invest time and money to make the Morris even more beautiful.

An impressive restoration was carried out which took more than 2 years. The complete body was resprayed, chrome renewed, windows renewed and the interior has been restored.

Serious investments were done but the result is very nice.

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