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1959 BMW 507 - Series II Roadster Nr.205 von nur 253

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Price	USD 2 412 477 EUR 1 990 000 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1959	Interior colour	Other
Mileage	84 142 km / 52 284 mi	Condition	Used
Gearbox	Manual	Location	
Number of seats	2	Fuel type	Petrol
Number of doors	2	Exterior colour	Black
Performance	110 kW / 150 PS / 148 BHP	Car type	Coupé
Drivetrain	2wd	Interior brand colour	5
Interior type	Leather		

Description

* Fahrzeugstandort: im Zulauf / in transit,

1959 BMW 507 Series II Roadster

Chassis no. 70205

3,168cc OHV All-Alloy V8 Engine

2 Twin-choke Zenith Carburetors

150bhp at 5,000rpm

4-Speed ZF Manual Transmission

Independent Front Suspension ? Live Rear Axle

4-Wheel Hydraulic Aluminum Drum Brakes

Arguably the most collectible BMW to date, one of just 253 examples produced

No. 205 from 253 Examples

Stunningly beautiful automotive design icon by Albrecht Graf Goertz

In previous ownership for nearly 30 years

Eligible for the most prestigious events around the Globe

This stunning example of the fully developed Series II BMW 507 is offered from nearly 30-year custodianship and offers the next caretaker top-level entry to the world of BMW car collecting, along with an entry into some of the most prestigious events around the globe, such as the Ville d'Este or Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, the Colorado Grand or other exclusive driving events.

507 chassis number 70205 was most likely produced during 1958 at the Munich-based BMW factory.

A second series example, it featured the increased engine capacity of the all-aluminum V8 and therefore higher performance, as well as a revised dashboard and a roomier cockpit, accommodating taller drivers.

The new top-of-the-line BMW is believed to have been delivered to the US, where Max Hoffman would have been the importer. The original VDO gauges situated in the dash read in MPH and Fahrenheit, further suggesting the US market as initial destination.

By the 1960s, BMW 507 number 70205 is known to have been owned by a Mr. Lacklan M. Mackenzie of Staten Island, and then later, in the 1970s and 1980s, the car was in the hands of Mr. Shane O'Neil of RKO General, Inc, New York, grandson of RKO founder, the renowned Hollywood film studio.

A sympathetic restoration was performed in the late 1980s, at which time the striking BMW is believed to have received its current Black exterior color. Post restoration, the 507 is known to have appeared at various Concours d'Elegance events with much success. The car was acquired by the current prominent collector in the early 1990s and has since been kept in a climate-controlled environment.

Today this stunning 507 Series II Roadster presents in beautiful condition, and close inspection indicates that the car retains much of its originality and appears not to have been taken apart or neglected in its past. It is possible that the interior is original as well. Original components are present and in situ, including the Behr radiator, and many Bosch and Knecht ancillary components.

The chrome and brightwork appear to be largely original, and still in wonderful condition. A very rare original Becker Mexico radio is fitted in the dash. The BMW 507, despite its contemporary commercial limitations, proved to be a landmark model for the German manufacturer. Only 253 examples of BMW's now-legendary 507 were built. An exceptional and exclusive sports car indeed - rarer than the 300SL Mercedes-Benz, the 507 with its lithe and utterly beautiful design matched by the impressive sporting pedigree of the Bavarian marque, remains a truly timeless collector car, appreciated by top collectors around the world, and eligible for the World's most discerning collector car events.

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Fahrwerksnummer. 70205

3.168 ccm OHV All-Alloy V8 Motor

2 Zenith-Vergaser mit zwei Drosseln

150 PS bei 5.000 U / min

4-Gang ZF Schaltgetriebe

Unabhängige Vorderradaufhängung - Live-Hinterachse

4-Rad hydraulische Aluminiumtrommelbremsen

Nr. 205 aus 253 hergestellten Beispielen

Schönes Automobildesign von Albrecht Graf Goertz

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Die 507-Fahrgestellnummer 70205 wurde höchstwahrscheinlich 1958 im Münchner BMW Werk hergestellt.

Eine zweite Serie mit erhöhtem Hubraum des Vollaluminium-V8 und damit höherer Leistung sowie einem überarbeiteten Armaturenbrett und einem geräumigeren Cockpit für größere Fahrer.

Der neue BMW der Spitzenklasse wurde an Max Hoffman in die USA ausgeliefert. Die originalen VDO-Anzeigen im Armaturenbrett zeigen MPH und Fahrenheit an, was den US-Markt als ursprüngliches Ziel nahe legt.

In den 1960er Jahren war dieser BMW 507 bekanntermaßen im Besitz eines Lacklan M. Mackenzie von Staten Island, und später, in den 1970er und 1980er Jahren, befand sich das Auto in den Händen von Shane O'Neil von RKO General, Inc, New York, Enkel des RKO-Gründers, des renommierten Hollywood-Filmstudios.

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