

2012 Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG - Roadster

Roadster

- Lot sold
USD 0
- **Year of manufacture** 2012
- **Lot number** 139
- **Condition** Used
- **Location** 
- **Exterior colour** Other
- **Car type** Other
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Description

- Finished in the outstanding color combination of Sapphire Red Metallic over Exclusive Black/Red leather; black fabric top
- Fewer than 23,780 mi at time of cataloguing
- Desirably equipped with AMG forged wheels, high-gloss carbon trim, memory package, Airscarf system, bi-xenon headlights, COMAND, and blind spot assist

The Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG was first unveiled at the 2009 Frankfurt Auto Show with European sales commencing in mid-2010; U.S. sales began the following year. As the spiritual successor to the legendary 300 SL, this was the first car developed exclusively by Mercedes-Benz's in-house tuner AMG. Initially released in "gullwing" coupe configuration, the Roadster version was unveiled at Frankfurt in 2011 with production continuing through 2014. The SLS was assembled largely by hand; its chassis and aluminum body shell were produced by Magna Steyr in Graz, Austria, while the engine came from AMG in Affalterbach. Final assembly, of course, took place at Mercedes-Benz's Sindelfingen plant.

When introduced, the car's 6.2-liter 563-horsepower, twin-cam V-8 engine was described by AMG as the world's most powerful naturally aspirated engine. Notwithstanding special-edition sub-models, SLS AMG production between 2010 and 2014 reached approximately 12,000 units total. Of those, just 4,000 were of the roadster body style, and even fewer were United States-spec examples like the one offered here.

This exquisite 2012 SLS AMG Roadster is presented wearing the remarkable color combination of Sapphire Red Metallic over a two-tone Exclusive Black/Red leather interior. Furthermore, the cabin trim was notably specified in high gloss carbon fiber, with standard aluminum cabin sills, and black seatbelts—all under a black fabric top. Additional factory specifications include bi-xenon headlights, standard red brake calipers, memory package, and the ever-useful Airscarf system which channels warm air onto the occupants via dedicated vents in each headrest. The car's optional, staggered forged alloy AMG wheels are presently shod in Continental ContiSportContact tires.

As a rarified example of one of the most appealing AMG products of recent manufacture, this desirable SLS AMG Roadster is certainly an enticing offering worthy of serious consideration. Now showing fewer than 23,780 miles at time of cataloguing, it would make an astute counterpoint to the vintage 300 SL within any discerning sportsman's collection. To view this car and others currently consigned to this auction, please visit the RM website at rmsothebys.com/en/auctions/az22.

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