

Sale <u>15340</u> - Aston Martin and Lagonda Motor Cars and related Automobilia, 12 May 2007 Aston Martin Lagonda Limited, Works Service, Newport Pagnell

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Lot No: 207 1952 Aston Martin DB2 Drophead Coupé Registration no. DCP 100 Chassis no. LML/50/237 Engine no. VB6B/50/1120

Sold for £45,500 inclusive of Buyer's Premium

Footnote:

'The DB2 is a very fast sportscar of immense stamina, as a long list of racing successes has proved. (The) model is remarkable for its comfort and luxury, and is also about the easiest thing there is to drive, outside of the "automatic transmission" carriages. Whether one would go shopping, to the theatre, on a long-distance tour, or even race at Le Mans, one could have no more perfect companion than the Aston Martin.' - John Bolster, Autosport.

This rare DB2 drophead coupé (one of 98 made out of a total of 411 DB2s) was purchased by its late owner in 1974 while he was working in Woking, Surrey but residing in Plymouth. Garaged at its owner's Plymouth home, the car had very little use while at this address and was reserved for special occasions, as it was not ideal transport for a family of five. An Aston Martin enthusiast, the late vendor had the enviable choice of a DB2/4 Coupe or Lagonda, which resulted in the less practical DB2 soft-top eventually being consigned to permanent garage storage at the same address.

'LML/50/237' was not to be seen again until 1993 when the owner and his wife moved into a house that they were building for themselves next door. The Aston was moved the short distance to continue garage storage at its new home, where it has remained until the present day. The last of its late owner's collection of Aston Martins, this car has been in the same family ownership for the past 33-or-so years. Sold with regret, it is nevertheless felt the Aston deserves to have an owner prepared and capable of restoring this proud piece of British motoring heritage to its former glory. Offered for restoration and sold strictly as viewed, the car comes with old-style logbook, press cuttings, and old Swansea V5 and current V5C registration documents. An exciting and potentially most rewarding project for the dedicated



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