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## Aston Martin DB2 LML/50/8 (VMF 64)

Aston Martin DB2 with 2 Le Mans entries and the best Aston Martin DB2 finish in Le Mans offered by RM Auctions in their London Auction - Automobiles of London.

In 1949 the first Aston Martin DB2 was produced it was powered by a 2.580 litre engine which produced 105 bhp at 5000 rpm, the Vantage engine delivered 125 bhp at 5000 rpm.

Frank Feeley designed the 2 seater sporting saloon, with unique feature, the whole front body section opened forward to grant easy access to engine and suspension, which was later also found on the Jaguar E-Type. In 1949 3 prototypes were produced. The production prototype LML/49/4 (UMC 272) was powered by a Lagonda engine and for David Browns own use. The experience gained with these cars resulted in the production models LML/50/5 (VMG 606) and LML/50/6 was the New York Motor Show car. The 1st 49 cars had 3 piece front grilles, before integrating all pieces in one which became the Aston Martin trade mark grill. The first engines had a very low compression due to the poor petrol quality. Later a Vantage engine was offered with larger carburetors. In October 1950 2 Aston Martins DB2 were displayed at the London Motor Show, one Saloon and one Drop Head Coupe.

LML/50/7 (VMF 63), LML/50/8 (VMF 64) and LML/50/9 (VMF 65) had been raced in 1950 24h Le Mans race, in 1951 LML/50/8 (VMF 64) finished 3rd OA in the 24h Le Mans race, LML/50/10 (VMF 37) was a Drophead Coupe ex David Brown, LML/50/21 was the Briggs Cunningham car.

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**Aston Martin DB2 Race Results**

**LML/49/1 (UMC 64)**  
1949 24h Le Mans - acc - Mathieson/Marechal r#28

**LML/49/2 (.....)**  
1949 24h Le Mans - 7th OA, 3rd IC - Jones/Haines r#..  
1949 24h Spa - 5th OA, 3rd IC - Macklin/Haines

**LML/49/3 (UMC 66)**  
1949 24h Le Mans - dnf, radiator - Johnson/Brackenbury r#..  
1949 24h Spa - 3rd OA, 2nd IC - Johnson/Brackenbury  
1950 24h Le mans - dnf, crankshaft - Thompson/Gordon

**LML/50/7 (VMF 63)**  
1950 Le Mans - 6th OA, 2nd IC - Parnell/Brackenbury  
1950 Silverstone BRDC - 3rd IC - Reg Parnell  
1950 Ulster TT Dundrod - 4th OA, 1st IC - Reg Parnell  
1950 Shelshey Walsh - 4th OA - Reg Parnell

**LML/50/8 (VMF 64)**  
1950 24 Le Mans - 5th OA, 1st IC - Abecassis/Macklin  
1950 Silverstone BRDC - 2nd IC - Sommer  
1950 Ulster TT Dundrod - 3rd IC - Macklin  
1950 Shelshey Walsh - 6th IC - Brackenbury  
1951 Le Mans - 3rd OA, 1st IC - Lance Maklin/Thompson  
1951 Alpine Rally - 1st in 4 stages - Wisdom/Wisdom  
1952 Mille Miglia - 12th OA, 1st IC - Wisdom/Lown  
1952 Alpine Rally - 15th OA, 5th IC - Wisdom/Nockolds

**LML/50/9 (VMF 65)**  
1950 - crashed on the way to Le Mans  
1950 Silverstone BRDC - 4nd IC - Thompson  
1950 Ulster TT Dundrod - Abecassis *Eric Thompson*  
1950 Shelshey Walsh - 5th IC - Abecassis

**LML/50/50 (XMC 76)**  
1951 Silverstone BRDC - 6th OA, 1st IC - Parnell  
1951 24h Le Mans - 7th OA, 3rd IC - Parnell/Hampshire  
1951 Ulster TT - 7th OA, 2nd IC - Shaw Taylor  
1951 Shelshey Walsh - 5th IC - Parnell  
1952 Mille Miglia - 13th OA, 2nd IC - Parnell/Serboli  
1952 Goodwood - 11st OA - Thompson  
1952 GP Berne - 5th OA - Parnell  
1952 Welsh Fairwood - 1st OA - Griffiths

**LML/50/55 (XMC 77)**  
1951 Silverstone BRDC - dnf, gearbox - Abecassis  
1951 Le Mans - 5th OA, 2nd IC - George Abecassis/Shaw Taylor  
1951 Ulster TT - dnf, flywheel - Abecassis  
1951 Shelshey Walsh - 4th IC - Abecassis  
1952 Mille Miglia - dnf, clutch - Abecassis



1952 Goodwood - 3rd OA - Poore  
1952 GP Berne - 4th OA - Duke  
1953 Mille Miglia - dnf, rear axle - Wisdom/Bolton #r618

LML/50/57 - Collin Campell

LML/50/59 - Nigel Mann  
.... - Walter Hansgen  
.... - Bill Spear  
.... - Lyndon Sims, 1st 1956 RAC Rally

LML/50/277 (AY2) Saloon in 2007 with Luzzago  
1953 BARC Goodwood - 3rd - Tony Eveard  
1953 WECC Sprint - 1st IC  
1953 Gosport Sprint - 1st  
1953 BDC Prescott - 1st  
1953 MCC Silverstone - 1st  
1953 BOC Prescott - 2nd  
1954 WECC Wethersfield - 2nd  
1954 BARC Goodwood - 1st and 3rd  
AMOC Snetterton - 1st