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1955 ASTON MARTIN DB2/4 Drophead Coupe

Ivory with Red Leather

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Mileage	41,804 miles	Engine Capacity	2922cc
Body Style	Convertible	Fuel	Petrol
Transmission	Manual	Chassis No.	LML/1015

The racing success of DB2s at Le Mans and the Mille Miglia during the 1950s had established Aston Martin as one of the world's luxury grand touring manufacturers. One of the finest and probably the most underrated DB models of the Feltham era must be the DB2/4 Drophead Coupe.

The major improvements introduced in 1953 for the DB2/4 were 2 occasional rear seats and the introduction of a more powerful 2,922cc Vantage engine,Â producing some 140bhp. The construction of the body was entrusted to the highly respected coach builders Mulliners Ltd who produced a solidity, durability and lightness not seen before in any drophead coupe of that period.

Chassis no. LML/1015 was ordered in Ivory with a red leather interior and red hood and was supplied new by Aston Martin agents Tice & Sons Ltd on theÂ 1st July 1955. It benefits from just seven known owners including the last long-term keeper of

some 28 years. During his ownership a full restoration was carried out by marque specialists Medcalf of Chertsey with an engine rebuild completed by Aston Service Dorset.

Upon acquiring the car we instructed noted Aston Martin historian and model expert Stephen Archer to carry out an independent inspection and report. He states:*â€œThis DB2/4 has been revered, it has had a very good life thanks to having had few owners and to having been very well cared for. Perhaps above all else, it has benefitted from an exceptional restoration. It presents today not only as a DB2/4 should, but it is as fine as you could wish one to be. It feels as fresh and alive as the day it was built and for any future owner its original soul can still be felt and enjoyed. Finding another this good would be very difficult.â€*

It is accompanied by a documented history file that includes its factory build sheet with maintenance records from 1955, a DB2/4 instruction book and Aston Martin Owners Club Register. There is a complete set of period tools in the centre front arm rest along with a wheel jack and hammer.

Presented in its original colour combination, it isÂ aÂ great opportunity to acquire a rare matching numbers and superbly restored example in exceptional condition throughout.