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Year: 1950

Chassis no:

LML/50/199

Registration: 24GH

Price: SOLD

VEHICLE DETAILS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / SERVICE HISTORY

Aston Martin DB2: How it all started:

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The Aston Martin DB2 is a classic car that was produced by Aston Martin from 1950 to 1953. It was the successor to the Aston Martin 2-Litre Sports model and marked a significant milestone in the company's history.

The DB2 was designed by Claude Hill and featured a sleek and aerodynamic body, which was a departure from the more traditional designs of its predecessors. It was powered by a 2.6-liter inline-six engine, which was capable of producing around 105 horsepower.

One of the notable aspects of the DB2's history is its success in motorsport. It competed in various racing events, including the 24 Hours of Le Mans, where it achieved respectable results. This helped to establish Aston Martin as a serious contender in the world of motorsports.

In 1953, the DB2 was succeeded by the Aston Martin DB2/4, which featured several

improvements and updates. However, the DB2 remains an iconic and sought-after classic car among enthusiasts and collectors.

Overall, the 1950 Aston Martin DB2 holds a special place in Aston Martin's history, representing a significant step forward in terms of design and performance. Its timeless design and racing pedigree continue to captivate automotive enthusiasts to this day.?

Jean Bloxham:

?Jean Bloxam that she became one of the most prominent British women racing drivers in the 1950s, particularly at the wheel of various Aston Martins. At the instigation of her then husband Roy, who entered her for the Ladies' Race at Goodwood on Whit Monday 1954 without telling her, Jean was up against the likes of Nancy Mitchell, Pat Moss and Patsy Burt but nonetheless finished third in the handicap event.

Later in the year she finished first and third in two races at Silverstone. The first DB2 was replaced by a 2.9 litre-engined version with which she attracted the attention of renowned Aston Martin Technical Director John Wyer after retiring from a race at Silverstone with engine failure while leading.

While the second DB2 was undergoing an engine rebuild courtesy of Astons, Jean raced Roy's ex-Colin Chapman Lotus-MG Mk 8 and an MG Magnette ZA with which she won the Ladies' Race at Crystal Palace on August Bank Holiday Monday 1956.

In 1957 she was invited to share one of the Fitzwilliam team MGAs in the Nurburgring1000 Ks with Patsy Burt only for the car to retire shortly before the end of the second hour.

The re-fettled DB2 brought her a win at Goodwood in a saloon car handicap, finishing eight seconds ahead of Patrick Lindsay's new DB2/4 in the process.

There was a further win with the DB2 at Silverstone in the Muskett Trophy whilst it was only on the last corner of the last lap that she was deprived of the lead in the Motor Sport Trophy by Henry Taylor's Jaguar D-type, also at Silverstone. Jean also won the handicap division of the Arthur Bryant Memorial Trophy for David Brown Aston Martins and the post war category of the St John Horsfall Trophy, keeping Graham Whitehead's full race DB3S at bay in doing so. At the end of the year Jean was awarded the Peter Bell Trophy for the most successful Aston Martin driver of 1957.

This Car's History

LML/50/199, a 1953 Aston Martin DB2, is very famous as the Jean Bloxam car. In fact, she bought the car from Major Woods the first registered owner in 1956.

Major Woods did race the car in a number of events including B.A.R.C Goodwood in

1953 when it came first with an average speed of 70.88 mph.

In 1953 he came third overall at the West Hants and Dorset and in 1955 he came in first at the 750 M.C Tarrant Rushton.

Original engine was VB6B/50/1081 (so a Vantage engine) and a DB3 engine (DP/101/22R from DB3/6) was fitted.

Note this engine was at that time removed from LML/50/9 (a.k.a. VMF 65) !

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