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1981 Bentley T2

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£48,000.00

Engine Size (in ccm)	**6,750**	**Fuel**	**Petrol**
Mileage	**93,000 Miles**	**Model Year**	**1980**
Transmission	**Automatic**		

Description

1981 Bentley T2 Chassis Number: BKD378X Registration Number: BKD378X Finished in Caribbean Blue Metallic with a Luxan Beige leather interior, this 1981 Bentley T2 featured in the BBC sitcom White Gold between 2017 and 2019. It's been in the seller's care since he bought it from Hanwells of London in July 2021, at which point the odometer read 82,051 miles. With a still-lowly 93,000 on the clock, BKD 378X's last service was in July of this year. The 11,000 miles he's covered in the past five years tell a lovely story: He's driven from Wiltshire to Yorkshire and back three times, a journey that revealed the T2 is still very comfortable and rewarding to drive, not least because of the wonderful conversations he's had with folk along the way. His affection for the Bentley shone in every sentence of our conversation with him, but then he has "never given any trouble" with it and has "just enjoyed it!" He's also honest enough to admit that he's not terribly mechanically minded, preferring to entrust maintenance to a specialist. However, he says he was so besotted that he used to set aside a day each month to clean it inside and out, that being his way of showing his faithful companion that he appreciated it. Doesn't it look magnificent? While the usual sober metallics suit the T2's discreet lines very well, we think this one's Caribbean Blue finish (paint code 9500683) looks even better. Mind you, that presence is bolstered by the fact that it has had running repairs made to its bodywork over the years, all of which appear to have been carried out so well that we only became aware of the work having been done by reading

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the comprehensive paperwork that accompanies the car. The chromework, which is extensive and contributes so much to the car's considerable authority, is in a very good condition; with almost no tarnishing, pitting, or other signs of aging, your only job will be to maintain it. Which would be to continue a tradition because this car has been very well looked after: The four headlamps were changed for new Cibie items in 2018, and the bulbs upgraded. This job set its then-owner back around £750 for parts and labour, but it was worth every penny as they worked even better than standard right up to the point the outers were again replaced in 2024. It sits well too, with a perfectly judged stance that shows nicely even gaps between the top of each wheel and its respective wheelarch. Good gaps between the panels too, plus the sort of shine that only comes with decades of dedicated polishing. The 15-inch wheels boast very good full-width chrome and body-coloured wheeltrims. The whitewall tyres are matching 235/70R15 Avon Turbosteels too, the very best possible tyre for a luxury motorcar like this. The Luxan Beige leather interior, trim code VM3234, was professionally re-Connolised in 2015 and 2016. The result is a pleasing interior that has just enough of a patina to give it the character we love but nowhere near enough to have you reach for your wallet to get it rejuvenated. Headrests were still a bit of a novelty back in the late seventies and early eighties, so the fact this T2 has them on its electrically-adjustable front seats makes it a bit of a rarity. So much so, in fact, that the seller tells us that it'll cost you a solid four-figure sum to buy a pair. These ones were also upgraded in 2019, the ones that had been fitted a year earlier being exchanged for wider versions. How's that for fastidious? And it continues because it's got rear head restraints too, the dashboard lighting was professionally converted to blue LEDs in 2018, and the cruise control system was repaired two years ago. Hanwells also went through the air-conditioning system in 2024, so that still blows so cold that Our Man, who is notoriously hard to please, described it as working "beautifully". In fact, everything we tested worked as it should but then that won't come as too much of a surprise, will it? Nor will the fact that the extensive walnut veneer is both shiny and well-varnished. It is also free of chips, cracks, and other damage, including the elegant mirror frames that sit in either C-pillar. You are unlikely to be surprised to see that the door apertures are all clean and the door lights all work either, nor by the presence of a set of very good blue overmats that protect the equally good carpets, or the taut, clean, and undamaged headlining. The cabin is filled with glorious details like the height-adjustable armrests in the front doors, burr walnut picnic tables in the rear of the front seats, rear foot rests, slots to store cassette tapes in the centre console, and beautifully labelled switches and controls that still operate with a precision no touchscreen's haptic feedback can ever hope to match.

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Manufacturer	Bentley
Model	BENTLEY OTHERS
Type	Saloon
Doors	4
Number of Seats	--
Colour	Blue
Mileage	93,000 Miles
First Registration Date	23/09/1981
Model Year	1980
Condition	Used
Engine Size (in ccm)	6,750
Transmission	Automatic
Fuel	Petrol
Consumption mpg (combined)	0.0
Consumption mpg (urban)	0.0
Consumption mpg (extra urban)	0.0
Emission class	--

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