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1956 Daimler Conquest Drophead Coupe 3 seater.

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£42,000.00

Engine Size (in ccm)	**2,433**	**Fuel**	**Petrol**
Mileage	**51,018 Miles**	**Transmission**	**--**

Description

1956 Daimler Conquest Drophead Coupe 3 seater. Chassis Number: 90514 Registration Number: ROW900 A rare & unusual Daimler restored a few years ago & in lovely & very useable condition. The car had a sojourn with a Norweigan owner before returning to these shores. Since then masses of money has been spent upon the car to put it in tip top condition. The car is finished in a very pleasing & striking colour scheme of navy blue over old English white that suits the car very very well. The interior leather in red has been redone & thus is in superb condition along with new red carpets. A new mohair hood as also been manufactured & fitted along with a hood bag to keep it tidy when down. The hood is very easily furled after releasing three header rail latches & if care is taken folds almost flat into the rear recess. In addition to the commodious front seats there is also a side facing rear seat similar in style to that of the Blue train Bentley. Indicated miles are currently 51,000. The 2.4 litre 6 cylinder engine starts easily & has plenty of performance from its 100 or so HP output for modern day drivng conditions. The 4 speed gear box is a Wilson Pre-Select which is a pleasure to use once one has got the hang of & the mind set to select the gear well ahead of when it is needed; then once the corner or junction etc is reach simply dipping the clutch then engages the pre selected gear. The body on these is part steel & part aluminium. Overall the body on this example is in great shape presenting very well indeed. Only 54 examples were produced of the drophead coupe between 1955 & 1957 making it a rare car. The car has an intersting history having anecdotally been owned by a spy; one Harry Houghton with whom

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a Mr Lonsdale acted as a go between involved in passing state secrets provided by the pair of treasonous civil servant to the Russians at one stage in its life. Later on it was purchased out of a Police impound yard via a police inspector; one Phillip Logue. Lonsdale got a 25 year sentence but was swapped after 4 years for Greville Quinn accused of spying in Moscow who understandably was keen to get home. Houghton got a 15 year stint & was released in 1971. A huge history file comes with the car detailing the various works carried out along with assorted Daimler books & service manuals etc. The car as a whole fits the Grand Tourer role more then the sporting role & is a pleasure to waft down B roads & lesser A roads. Yet the car is quite capable of long distanbce journeys having travelled as far afield as Italy on one excursion. Viewings are by Prior appointment 10 miles East of Thetford. Call Richard Biddulph. Mobile ++44 (0) 7967 260673 Simone Della Corte Mobile ++44 (0) 7377070943 Sales & Valuations Vintage & Prestige of Northampton Ltd. richard@vandp.net www.vandp.net Showroom: 2 Ryehill Ct, Lodge Farm Industrial Estate, Northampton NN5 7UA Viewings & Visits Strictly by appointment only please. We have on site long term storage for over 200 cars with 24 hour security & covered trailer delivery to customers anywhere in Europe.

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Manufacturer	Daimler
Model	OTHER
Type	Coupe
Doors	--
Number of Seats	--
Colour	Other
Mileage	51,018 Miles
First Registration Date	06/10/1956
Condition	Used
Engine Size (in ccm)	2,433
Transmission	--
Fuel	Petrol
Emission class	--

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