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AUTOMOBILE RARITÄTEN



1959

AC Ace Bristol Roadster - LHD -

Chassis-Nr. BEX1044

- Outstanding original
- Factory car with racing features
- Carefully partly restored

Price

b On request

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Description:

Introduced in 1953, the AC Ace was the first British production sports car with independent suspension all round. It dominated numerous international sports car races in the years that followed. Its successes grew in particular after the in-house engine was supplemented by a **Bristol engine** from **1956**, which had previously been installed in the BMW 328. In 1962, the AC Ace served as the basis for the legendary AC Cobra.

Only 466 examples of the AC Ace Bristol were built between 1956 and 1964.

According to available documents, this AC Ace Bristol was originally equipped with the **racing options** still available at the time, including: Racing windscreen, extra spring leaves, oil cooler, aero cover for water cooler, second ignition coil, etc. The car was imported to the USA by Imperial Motors of Wilmette IL. Its first owner, H.A. Black of Wilmette, was a member of the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA). He drove the car until 1963 and its subsequent **ownership history** is **fully documented**. In the meantime, the car was **part of the renowned Shelby American Collection** in the USA. The car arrived in Europe in 2021 and was sold to its current owner in Germany in 2023. The vehicle was recently **extensively serviced in specialist workshops** and received a new exhaust system. In addition to the existing sidepipes, it was fitted with a new exhaust system for road use.

With the Bristol engine, the AC is particularly well motorised. Its rarity, but also its sporty and powerful appearance make this vehicle an entry **ticket for high-class events**.

