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Talbot Lago Grand Sport 2-door Coupé.

1953

Gallery

4 1/2 liter 6 cylinder twin overhead cam engine producing 250 HP. French top-class gentlemen's express. Very rare only 26 ex. built. Totally rebuilt mechanically and bodily. Dark blue with original grey leather. Impressive on the road and very chic to look at. This is a car of which only 26 were built. This particular one bearing n° 13. Chassis n° 111013 I think that the best description of the car is for a start the article and test drive of this particular car in Classic Cars Magazine from January 1996. After this article was written, the Talbot arrived in the collection of two collectors in England (Brian Morgan & Roy Beebee) who carried out a ground-up restoration, mechanical as well as on the body and chassis, on the car. Many pictures showing for instance the rolling chassis + the car's mechanics and also different stages in the restoration of the bodywork prove the comprehensive way in which the Talbot Lago was restored. A lot of documentation and letters, between them and the Talbot Lago Club in America and France, once again illustrate the real professional restoration on the car. Now the Talbot is painted dark blue, which is an excellent color for this car, certainly in combination with the totally original grey leather interior, which carries that bit of patina that makes Connolly leather even nicer. The excellent condition is obvious when looking at the Talbot, and even more when driving it. The power output from the six cylinder 4.5 litre engine is phenomenal! The behaviour of the car on the road is excellent. In fact when driving it one tends to forget that one is driving a car from 46 years old! The preselector Wilson gearbox makes things very easy. It is just a mental adaptation before starting off with the car. Very relaxing and efficient system indeed. RTL television came to make a very nice reportage on this Talbot Lago for the program of La collection de Léon*. I have a copy of this videotape. Finally, within the documentation, I also found the original factory production sheet for this Talbot. The car, at that time black with chrome wire wheels and white wall tyres, was sold new to the well known coachbuilder Oblin in Brussels. The previous owner kept also some history on other T26 Talbot Lago cars when offered for sale in the specialised magazines. One of the previous owners is the very well known Pilkington family which exhibited this rare motorcar in the Totnes Motor Museum. It is clear to me that owning this car makes you member of a very select Talbot Lago club.

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Model	Lago Grand Sport 2-door Coupé.
Year	1953
Steering	Right (RHD)