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Alvis Speed 4.3 short chassis Vanden Plas Tourer

1939

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As an Alvis fanatic I am really very proud to have been able to acquire this top of the range pre war Alvis and offer her for sale on the classic car market. From the 198 chassis built, only 12 short chassis were produced carrying this extremely elegant VdP Tourer body. This chassis 14856 is one of the genuine 12 ! "The Autocar's" roadtest of the 4,3 litre Alvis Sports Tourer written in 1938, mentioned it very clearly as such : "In the great scheme of things there are cars, good cars and super cars". The journal placed this 4,3 Alvis firmly in the last category. This particular 4,3 was, allthough leaving the factory in 1939, only registered (with nr KPC362) in 1946 and has as a first owner the well known British actor, Michael Rennie and subsequently a well reputed supercar collector Philip Pardey who owned the Alvis nearly 40 years ! The AOC 4,3 Archivaris Wayne Brooks, has assembled the cars' full history in a comprehensive and detailed report. "Classic & Sportscar" journalist Mike MeCarthy wrote a very flattering article on this 4,3 Alvis Tourer in the Oct. 1992 issue of this internationally very well respected magazine. "Profile Publications" used in their number 11 booklet this very 4,3 VdP Alvis in a color print on the inside cover. Very few cars featured so often in the specialised press in the early times as in the contemporary magazines as this 4,3. Having had only 3 previous owners, this Alvis was cherished by all of them. As a result this VdP short chassis tourer is still in an excellent, mostly original condition. The appearance of the car can only be described as stunning thanks to the superb VdP design and the striking colour scheme in red & black. The leather interior is still totally original and absolutely magnificent with a patina of 67 years! The full weather equipment in double duck canvas is in excellent condition. The engine bay has remained sparkling over all these years. The boot compartiment is still nicely trimmed in the original materials. On the road, the behaviour of this 4,3 Tourer is a unique experience. Super car performances combined with a very modern feeling road behaviour and great luxury. Just impossible to fault ! Many superlatives in this description which this 4,3 Tourer absolutely deserves, but let me conclude, pointing out once again the 5 strong arguments in which this Alvis distinguishes herself from all the other classic cars : -sought after super car; -very rare model; -fantastic history; -excellent technical condition and superb presentation; -famous previous owners. This 4,3 short chassis VdP will surely find a good home very quickly !

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Année de construction	1939
Volant	Droite (RHD)