



1959 Frazer Nash Continental

£250,000

Overview

Mileage	6,000 miles
Fuel Type	Petrol
Engine Size	3.2 l
Bodystyle	Tourer
Transmission	Manual
Exterior Colour	British Racing Green
Previous Owners	3
Registration	50LMU



Description

1957 Frazer Nash BMW V8 Continental

This was the first of two chassis built with V8 BMW engines. It was initially numbered 421/200/204 and was renumbered 421/200/300 when fitted with the BMW engine in 1956. Then in August 1957 it was registered with the unusual chassis number 521/1. It was however a normal 200-series parallel tube chassis with the usual transverse leaf-spring front suspension. It was fitted with a de Dion rear axle as used in a few Mk II Le Mans and Sebring cars in 1953/54. The rack and pinion steering gear was by MG/Morris, not Bristol; this may have been necessitated by the wide V8 engine. A large Serck radiator was used as well as Koni dampers front and rear, Al-fin brake drums and centre-lock wire wheels.

The engine used was an experimental 2.5-litre BMW V8 engine with the number M.29. AFN were the official UK importers of BMWs, and the Aldingtons had been thinking about using the BMW V8 engine since it was announced in 1954. The Motor of 19 October 1955 said that AFN have already announced that a larger FN using the V8 BMW engine is to be added to the range in the not too distant future'. An entry for a 2.6-litre car was made for Le Mans in 1955, but in the event, two 2-litre Bristol-engined cars (FN205 and FN 207) ran instead. Another entry for Le Mans was made in 1956 for a 2.5- litre car (the capacity limit for prototypes that year), but once again a Bristol- engined car (FN205) ran in the race.

Location

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