



## Imperial War Museum Duxford (155)

Wed, 20th Apr 2016, Imperial War Museum Duxford

### Lot 7

**1965 Austin Mini 850**

**Registration No:** MHX709C

**Chassis No:** A1A2S7S-688013M

**Mot Expiry:** Oct 2016

- Finished in Maroon with a light tan interior
- Current ownership since 2007 and 2 previous keepers shown on the V5C
- 37,400 recorded miles and an advisory free MOT into October 2016

With the aftereffects of the 1956-1957 Suez Crisis being felt worldwide, Leonard Lord commissioned Alec Issigonis to work on a radical small car project. His response was the now legendary Mini. Featuring an ingenious transverse-mounted powertrain (with engine sat atop of the gearbox), all-round independent 'rubber cone' suspension, front-wheel drive, compact rack, and pinion steering, the newcomer was a packaging masterpiece; not to mention one of the most influential automotive designs ever conceived. This exceedingly original example is offered from a deceased estate and is finished in maroon with a light tan interior. Its V5C suggests only 2 previous keepers with the late vendor purchasing the Mini in 2007 and currently registers 37,400 miles. 'MHX 709C' is offered with V5C and an advisory free MOT into October 2016.