



Imperial War Museum Duxford (188)

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Estimate: £10000 - £12000 + Fees

1933 Hillman Aero Minx Entered from a deceased estate

Registration No: AGU 24

Chassis No: AM116

MOT: Exempt

- Current ownership since 1978
- Early March type bodied Aero Minx
- Hydraulic brake conversion
- Major restoration work carried out during current ownership
- Full weather equipment
- Original registration number
- Comprehensive history file
- 12v electrical system with battery isolator

Hillman's new Minx, announced in 1931, was to provide the platform for the company's first small sports car. Fitted with a lower chassis which was under-slung at the rear, shorter wheelbase and a slightly more powerful engine, the 'Aero' Minx featured fashionable streamlined coachwork in 'Art Deco' style. Introduced at the 1932 London Motor Show, initially in saloon form with coachwork by Carbodies of Coventry, the stylish Aero Minx would also become available in two-seater sports or coupe form. Dropheads went on to be produced by various coachbuilders including Kevill-Davies & March.

This delightful and now very rare March-bodied 1933 Hillman Aero Minx tourer is believed to be one of only one hundred and fifty seven cars produced of which only approximately fifty examples survive. It has been with its present late owner since 1978 and during that time has undergone a major restoration program which is evidenced by a photographic record together with relevant receipts. Finished attractively in Green with Biscuit interior leather trim and upholstery, it comes with the correct 1185cc four-cylinder petrol engine, manual four speed gearbox, 12v electrical system and still carries its original registration number.

A comprehensive history file is present containing paperwork dating back to 1978 along with various V5 documents and a green logbook. Full weather equipment in Double Duck material comprises a hood, side screens and hood cover. The sporting appeal is further enhanced by a folding windscreen.

We are indebted to Tim Green from the Aero Minx register who has advised that AGU 24 "carries an early March body and appears be running 8 inch standard hubs rather than the 10 inch version and the engine capacity is 1185cc and not 1141cc as stated on the V5C".

This is a truly charming example in lovely order which is being offered from a deceased estate.