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Lot 358

Estimate: £20000 - £24000 + Fees

1998 BMW Z3M Roadster 1 of only 991 RHD Z3M Roadsters Made

Registration No: S724 KLX

Chassis No: WBSCK920X0LB06510

Motor Car Location: Helensburgh

- Only 60,150 miles from new and four former keepers
- Gearbox overhaul including replacement of four synchro's, clutch and flywheel in 2017
- Stamped service book with 15 entries including PDI and M-Cars running-in check at 1200 miles

By shoehorning the drivetrain of the four-seater M3 (E36) coupe into the bodyshell of the two-seater Z3 Roadster, BMW effectively created a factory 'hot rod'. Boasting a wider track, lower ride height, stiffer springs/shock absorbers, and thicker anti-roll bars than its lesser siblings, the M Roadster also featured a limited-slip differential, reinforced subframe, and vented disc brakes. Powered by a 3.2 litre DOHC straight-six engine allied to ZF five-speed manual transmission, the svelte BMW had some 317bhp and 258lbft of torque on tap and was reputedly capable of 0-60mph in 5.3 seconds and 155mph (limited). Later versions, from February 2001 onwards, came with the marginally more powerful S54 engine plus Dynamic Stability Control (though, some drivers preferred the rawer, more analogue feel of the early cars). Of the 15,322 Z3M Roadsters made between September 1996 and May 2002, just 991 were to RHD specification.

This 1998 example with the 3201cc 312bhp S50-engine, which is said to be purer lacking traction control and other driving aids was first registered in November 1998. Finished in Estoril Blue Metallic with matching Estoril Blue and Black interior, the Z3M is further provided with a Black tonneau cover. Benefitting from the factory options of Hi-Fi (Harman Kardon), Roll Over Protection, Air Conditioning, Black Electric Hood, Business RDC and English Handbook. The Z3M received a new clutch and flywheel costing around £1,500 in 2017, before additionally receiving a gearbox overhaul that incorporated four new synchro's totalling another £1,000 approximately, with the Roadster being used very minimally since.

Having only four former keepers and 60,150 miles from new, the Z3M is offered with two keys, V5C and stamped service book with several of the 15 entries (including PDI and M-Cars running-in check at 1200 miles) being BMW stamps. Additionally accompanied by the service guide, owners handbook, warranty booklet, and Approved Used owners pack, as well as a large collection of past invoices with numerous being BMW and a collection of past MOTs.

Vendor Condition Ratings:

Bodywork: 'Very Good'

Engine: 'Excellent'

Electrical Equipment: 'Excellent'

Paintwork: 'Very Good'

Gearbox: 'Excellent'
Interior Trim: 'Very Good'

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