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Wed, 24th Nov 2021

Estimate: £5000 - £7000 + Fees

1986 Toyota MR2

Registration No: D793 DOR

Chassis No: JT1C0AW1100070456

MOT: July 2022

Motor Car Location: Cheshire

- UK-supplied, right-hand drive example
- Only five former keepers
- Just 79,146 recorded miles
- Fitted with a new timing belt at 70,226 miles

Powered by a Cosworth BDA-inspired 129bhp 1.6-litre four with a dizzying 7,700rpm redline, the original MR2 utilised a 5-speed box and could sprint to 60mph in 8.5 seconds with a top speed of 120mph. Weighing just 1,070kg it also had perfect weight distribution with ride and handling honed by Lotus (aided by development driver Dan Gurney). The race car feel continued with a short-throw gearchange, razor-sharp throttle control and immediate, darting response to steering input. The result was a blisteringly intense driving experience that would be instantly familiar to a Porsche 911 or Ferrari F355 driver – yet at a fraction of the price. With origami-inspired folded angular lines, it also looked great and was immensely strong with no fewer than five bulkheads between the different compartments. Good ones are becoming increasingly collectable today.

This Mk1 MR2 was manufactured in 1986 and was supplied new to the UK being first registered on the 1st of August that year. Fitted with the 1587cc four-cylinder engine mated the five-speed manual transmission, the Toyota is finished in Red paintwork with cloth interior upholstery. Having just five former keepers, the Toyota has a recorded mileage of just 79,146 miles (at time of consignment). Benefitting from a new timing belt at 70,226 miles, the MR2 is offered with an MOT certificate until July 2022 with no advisories and a current V5C.