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Lot 716

1978 MG B Roadster No Reserve

Registration No: BNG 366T

Chassis No: GHN5-474234G

MOT: None

Motor Car Location: Northamptonshire

- Current family ownership since 2013
- Last MOT Certificate expired during June 2015
- Off the road for the last few years and now in need of full restoration

- Displays a credible but unwarranted 80,000 miles
- Offered for sale with current V5C Registration Document

Launched in May 1962, the B was only initially available in Roadster form – the hatchback GT derivative not being offered until 1965. Suspension was by wishbones and coil springs at the front, and a live axle mounted on leaf springs at the rear. Damping was by lever arm units all round. Braking was by discs at the front and drums at the rear. Power came from a 1798cc version of the BMC B-Series engine that produced 95bhp at 5,400rpm. The newcomer's monocoque construction resulted in weight savings over the outgoing MGA (it turned the scales at 2,028lb), reduced manufacturing costs and notably tauter handling. The MKII model of 1967 brought an updated manual gearbox with revised ratios and synchromesh on all gears, as well as the option of a Borg Warner automatic unit. Other changes included a revised rear axle and a switch from dynamos to alternators. In 1969, Rostyle wheels replaced the previous pressed steel version for standard fit. With the MKIII derivative of 1972 came a new facia and improved heater. However, the biggest visual change in the car's history occurred two years later when steel reinforced rubber bumpers replaced the chrome ones and the ride height was raised by one inch. By the time Roadster production ceased in October 1980, a total of 399,070 are said to have been produced.