



1960 Volvo PV544 Classic Rally Car

PRICE £17,500



ABOUT THIS CAR

Rally Preparation Services are offering for sale this Volvo PV544 Classic Rally Car.

Volvo introduced the PV544 in 1958 as a successor to their very first monocoque construction car the PV444 which was initially produced from the late 1940's. Design and mechanical changes enhanced what was already a highly regarded solid car with a very loyal customer base – a four speed gearbox and a more powerful 1,800cc engine were notable upgrades for the PV544 model along with various trim and specification upgrades over the years until production ceased in 1965; 440,000 units were produced by the Swedish car manufacturer.

The popularity, performance, reliability, and robustness of these cars meant that production carried on alongside the much more contemporary Volvo Amazon, which was launched in 1956 with both cars sharing much of the same engineering and major components. Not surprisingly the performance and reliability characteristics are always endearing to rally drivers and teams, so much so that the PV series was rallied in period with great success including outright wins on the East African Safari, The Acropolis Rally in Greece and the RAC Rally here in the UK, these cars are still campaigned in Motorsport heavily today both nationally and internationally.

This Volvo was imported from Sweden and we are told started its rallying career about 10 years ago, the PV features a few performance enhancements allowed by the regulations. The original engine has been replaced with a 5 bearing B20 power unit mated to a 4-speed transmission with overdrive and the usual modification of front drum brakes being upgraded to disc brakes has been carried out. Other rally preparation follows the tried and tested route. For safety, a full Safety Devices roll-cage with rear cross bars is installed alongside Corbeau GT seats, TRS full harness seat belts and a 1.75 litre AFFF extinguisher. Inside the car it has a leather Mota-Lita steering wheel, additional gauges, a battery cut-off switch and a Brantz Retrotrip meter. Underneath the car it has a sump guard fitted and has been subject to refresh works to the suspension, rear axle, brakes, and a new clutch has been installed. Lightweight wings are fitted all round.

The car is reported not to have rallied since the 2010 Alpine Trial and will benefit from some personalisation for its next owner.

The car is currently with Rally Preparation Services sister Company, the SASCo storage facility and available for inspection.

All viewings and test drives welcomed through direct contact with Rally Preparation Services.

All enquiries please contact us on mail@rpsrally.com or telephone +44(0)1993 358009

SPECIFICATIONS:

- Date of original registration 01/01/1960
- B20 OHV engine with Weber carburettor c90 bhp
- 4 speed transmission with overdrive
- Solid rear axle with trailing arms and Panhard rod
- Unequal length double wishbone front suspension
- Disc brakes front drums rear
- Willwood proportioning valve
- 2x Spare Wheels
- Large capacity aluminium fuel tank
- Twin electric fuel pumps
- Safety Devices cage
- Sump guard
- Corbeau Seats
- TRS harnesses
- Brantz Retrotrip meter
- Additional dash mounted gauges & internal fuses
- Cibie Oscar spot lamps

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