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1967 Lotus 47GT Sold

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Finished in white, this Lotus 47 GT was delivered new to its Portuguese owner in June of 1967. Before it was first raced, the car was repainted dark green. It was campaigned by Mané Nogueira Pinto in Portuguese events in 1967 and also entered in the Mil Milhas in Brazil in December. Ultimately, the car was not raced after the team had discovered in practice that the track better suited the Porsche 911 they had also brought over from Portugal. Once back in Europe, chassis 47/GT/21 was sold to fellow Portuguese racer Jorge Fausto de Figueiredo. He brought the car to Luanda, Angola where it was raced with considerable success. Fausto de Figueiredo eventually returned to Portugal but the car remained in Angola and was raced in 1970 by Waldemar Silva. He was one of two 47 GT racers in Africa to order the new 'lift up body' that was easier to work on and featured additional ducts to feed the carburetors and cool the engine. Silva was the only one of the two actually to fit the body and race the car until political unrest brought an end to its contemporary racing career. Chassis 47/GT/21 eventually resurfaced in Italy, where it was acquired in the early 1980s by a Brazilian enthusiast. Still owned by the same family, it was finally restored to full running order in the late 2010s and returned to racing in 2019.

The development process was carried out by the experienced and respected Dallara team. Every component has been attended to! The Lotus Twin Cam 2.0 litre is a new David Gathercole unit, all suspension arms are chrome molybdenum. The owner worked closely with Victor Walker who campaigned a few Lotus 47's in period and helped develop this project. Feed back was also received from Glavitz who raced the lift off body car.

The "lift off" body spec is a rare and very desirable option enabling easy mechanical access as well as facilitating any body damage repair. The owner /driver enjoyed competing with the 47GT at both last years Monza Historic and the Grand Prix de l'Age d'Or.

Eligible for Peter Auto CER as well as HSCC Guards Trophy. This sale represents an opportunity to acquire a professionally prepared and developed Lotus 47 GT with known and clear period history.



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