

## 1966 Mercedes-Benz 230SL

Following the earlier and very successful SL (the **SL** stands for 'Sport Light', or in German, "Sport Leicht") models, Mercedes launched a whole new range of sports/SL models in the 1960's, starting with the 230SL in 1963. A total of 19,831 230SLs were produced between 1963 and 1967.



The 230SL had a beautifully proportioned sports body which had two comfortable seats (a third, sideways facing seat was a popular SL option) and, as with the model in the BK Museum, owners could switch between a Soft Top or a distinctive (Pagoda Roof) Hardtop.

The 230SL used a 2281cc, six cylinder engine which produced 150bhp. The engine featured fuel injection and, as with BK Museum model, could even be ordered with automatic transmission. Brakes consisted of discs on the front and drums on the rear. Maximum speed is 121MPH.

These attractive "SL" sportscars were highly regarded when new and still attract many buyers who are fascinated by their elegant good looks.

The 230SL in the BK Museum was acquired in 1999 and an extensive restoration project included a change of colour from the original Brown.