

Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Gullwing

1955 Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Gullwing (W198) RHD

THIS CAR

Paint	Black · Matte
Interior	#7A7A7A · Full Leather

PRODUCTION

Years produced	1954–1957
Units made	1,400 (29 in RHD configuration)
Where built	Sindelfingen, Germany
Body styles	2-door coupe

ENGINE

Engine	M198 Inline-6, mechanical direct fuel injection
Displacement	2,996 cc
Cylinders	6
Valves	12
Aspiration	Naturally aspirated
Power	215 bhp (218 PS) @ 5,800 rpm
Torque	202 lb ft (274 Nm) @ 4,600 rpm
Fuel	Petrol

DRIVETRAIN & PERFORMANCE

Gearbox	4-speed manual
Wheel drive	Rear-wheel drive
Layout	Front-engine, rear-wheel drive
Top speed	135–163 mph (217–263 km/h)
0–62 mph	8.8 seconds
0–60 mph	8.5 seconds
¼ mile	Not published

Economy (combined)	17 mpg (16.6 L/100km)
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CHASSIS & DIMENSIONS

Brakes — front	284 mm (11.2 in) drums
Brakes — rear	284 mm (11.2 in) drums
Wheels	5J x 15
Tyres	6.50 × 15
Suspension	Coil springs, wishbones (F), swing axle (R)
Kerb weight	1,295 kg
Drag coefficient (Cd)	0.38
Length	4,520 mm
Width	1,790 mm
Height	1,300 mm
Wheelbase	2,400 mm

PRICING	Values as at 22 October 2026
Price new (£)	£4,393 (1955)
Price new (\$)	\$6,820 (1954)
Estimated value now (£)	£2,500,000 – £4,000,000
Estimated value now (\$)	\$3,200,000 – \$5,200,000
Value basis	UK auction results and RHD rarity premium



Estimated value at 22 October 2026 · grey = value range **+73881%** above new

Only 29 RHD units were produced out of 1,400 total.