



1934

Rolls-Royce
Phantom II
Limousine deVille

VIN NO. 55-TA



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Meet the Limousine deVille, an award-winning 1934 Rolls-Royce Phantom II that's history is just as fascinating as its design. First owned by Gracie Fields, the famed British actress, singer, and comedienne, and then the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensbury, this car has had no shortage of notable passengers. (We even have video footage of the Rolls being used to deliver Lady Elizabeth Diana Montagu-Douglas-Scott, aunt of the current Duke, to the Duke of Northumberland at Westminster Abbey on the couple's wedding day.)

Illustrious past aside, this Phantom II is in very nice condition — both inside and out. Thanks to a complete frame-off concours restoration followed by decades of meticulous care, the Rolls appears to be a well-kept original rather than a restored car. The exterior, with its gorgeous curves and Gurney Nutting styling, is elegant in two-tone blue with chrome and stainless steel accents, P100 headlamps, and art deco-inspired door handles. Once through the doors, riders are greeted with a chauffeur's compartment in black leather and complemented by a period-appropriate wood dashboard that, admittedly, could benefit from refinishing. Behind it is a cozy passengers' compartment, upholstered in light blue wool broadcloth, that's suitable for a few or plenty spacious for two, depending on the occasion.

Mechanically, the Phantom II runs and drives well, a fact we attribute to its earlier restoration. (Of course, its many years of maintenance and proper storage have gone a long way to ensure its excellent state too.) Several marque specialists have described this car as "superb," and we couldn't agree more!



FUN FACT / After Gordon Dysart purchased the Phantom II, he made a trip to Capri to visit Gracie Fields, who was running a small hotel and restaurant on the island, to ask her for information on the car. Armed with the details supplied to him by Ms. Fields, Dysart returned to the U.S. to begin work on a restoration that would remain authentic to the Rolls-Royce's original colors and materials.

1934 PHANTOM II Timeline

1934 The 1934 Rolls-Royce Phantom II Limousine deVille, VIN No. 55-TA, is ordered new by British actress, singer, and comedienne Gracie Fields through London Rolls-Royce dealer H.R. Owen.

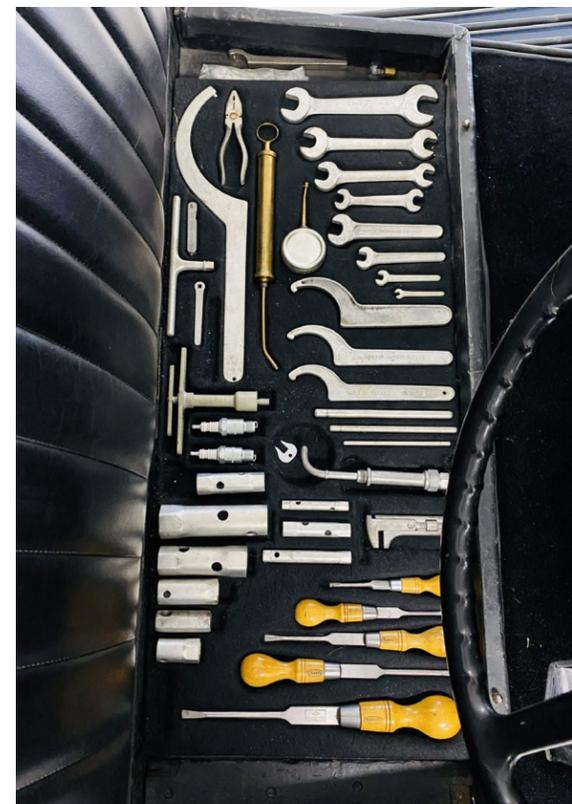
1935 The chassis is dispatched to coachbuilder Gurney Nutting in early January. Three months later, the car is complete and ready for delivery.

1936 Fields sells the Rolls-Royce to "His Grace the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensbury," who, at the time, was the largest private landowner in Europe with a total of 280,000 acres to his name. The Duke's family kept the car at the incredible Drumlanrig Castle in Scotland.

1948 The Phantom II finds a new home with a Rolls-Royce hire service at 21 Cromwell Mews, Kensington, where it's mainly used for weddings and other special occasions.

Circa 1970 The car is exported to the United States.

1980 Gordon Dysart, a well-known classic car collector, purchases the Rolls-Royce. He embarks on a restoration to bring the car back to its former glory.



PHOTOS & Documents

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MAKE OF VEHICLE: **ROLLS ROYCE** MOTOR OR VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: **VT55** TITLE NUMBER: **91027396**

EXPIRES: **1934** LICENSE NUMBER: **542** WEIGHT: **5700** DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY: **0786237** DATE TITLE ISSUED: **01/27/81**

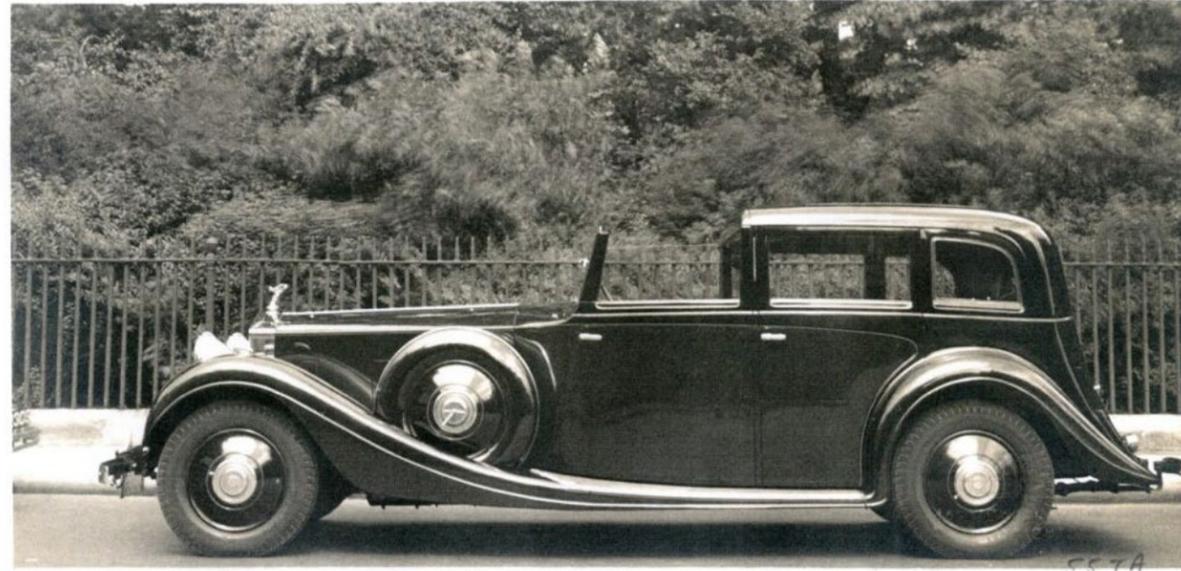
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W. & Co. Ltd.—Q40967—434. **H. R. Owen** ORDER REF.: **37**

CHASSIS No. **55 TA** DATE OF SALE: **2nd October 1934**

Works No. H.P. **4960** SOLD TO: **H. R. Owen Ltd.**

Engine No. **VT 55** Type **"T2"** **17, Berkeley St W1.**

Off Test **4.1.35** D.I. Issued **14.11.34** **Miss Grace Field**

Axle Ratio **12x41** Despatched **8.1.35** **28, Marlboro St**

Battery **EX. ISE**

TYRES **Dunlop** Type **MA2 Tread** COACHBUILDER: **Gunnery Nutting**

Size **19x7**

Date of Order **14.11.34** No. **711712** DELIVERY: REQUIRED QUOTED **4th Dec**

Ordered from **"W"**

CAR ORDER FORM BOOK No. PAGE. DEPOSIT PAID DATE £ : : BALANCE OF CHASSIS PRICE PAID DATE **19.1.35** £1574 : 1 : 1 INVOICE No. **4820** DATE **7.1.35** AMOUNT **£1568** ALLOWANCES **£90**

✓ CHASSIS DELIVERED ON **10.1.35** TO **Gunnery Nutting** BY **road ex. L.H.**

INSTRUCTION BOOK No. **9** SENT TO **H.R. Owen** ON **19.1.35**

ERECTION PARTICULARS DATED **2.11.34** FROM **H.R. Owen** ERECTION SHEET **1670**

WHEELBASE **long** STEERING COLUMN **E**

FITTINGS—UNTARNISHABLE—RADIATOR SHUTTERS—UNTARNISHABLE—

SPRINGS FOR—

BODY **Limousine de Ville** WEIGHT **13** CWTS.

SEATING **7** USUALLY **5** LUGGAGE: MAX. **1** CWT. AVERAGE **—** CWT.

ALLOWANCE FOR ACCESSORIES—STANDARD **67** LBS. SPECIAL

CAR FOR USE IN **UK Town with 2 Towns**

BONNET HINGE MOULDINGS TO BE **Painted**

	Order No.	Dis-count.	£	s.	d.	Invoice Folio.
CHASSIS PRICE		15%	1100	-	-	4820
BONNET						
LUGGAGE GRID—TYPE						
LOCKS TO BONNET						
MASCOT TO RADIATOR CAP	Yes	15%	3	17	6	4820
SWITCH FOR STOPLAMP						
WHEEL CARRIER to offside						
Wheel carrier to nearside		25%	6	6	-	4820
second spare wheel		25%	5	19	-	4820
second spare tyre		WHL	5	18	3	2033



R.R. 309X (1933) (0729 91-7-36) 1.31.146

Series **T2** Country **UK** Engine No. **VT 55** E.S. No. **1670**

Steering **C** Fittings **Untarnishable** speedo. No. **12146 T 20**

Body **Limousine de ville** weight **13cwt** Passengers **7 or 5** Luggage **1cwt**

On Test **4.1.34** Delivered **8.1.35** To **Miss Ball**

Customer **H.R. Owen - Stock**

Complete Car D/D **9.4.35** Guaranteed Effective **from 12.4.35**

4.11.34 T173

Long type chassis

6" Dunlop front silent tyres 7x19"

Dunlop wire wheel caps 19x4"

Spare wheel carrier each side

R.R. Mascot & cap

55-TA

22, Vellert Street, E. Canning Esq., R.R. Hire Service, 21, Cromwell Mews. S.W.7. Rods/P22.1.48.

His Grace The Duke of Buccleuch & Queensbury, G.C.V.O., Drumlanrig, Castle, Fifehill, Dumfriesshire. 29.8.36.

Antique Automobile Club of America

June 5, 2006

Gordon Dysart
524 East Summit
Wimberley, TX 78676

Dear Mr. Dysart:

Congratulations on winning a National First Prize in your class at the recent AACA National meet in Waco, TX.

Your vehicle advances to Senior status and will compete in the Senior category with other Senior vehicles.

Enclosed you will find a National First Prize Winners Plaque. It is important that you attach it to a prominent place on the vehicle. Aside from the honor this plaque signifies, judges will be able to instantly recognize your vehicle as a National First Prize Winner and know you are competing for a Senior Award.

This plaque shall remain with the vehicle in the event of a change of ownership or if the vehicle undergoes a complete restoration within ten years of the date of the plaque. Anytime thereafter, the plaque may be returned to AACA National Headquarters and the vehicle can once again compete in the Junior category.

Congratulations again on your award. I hope you continue to bring your vehicle out to many more shows.

Sincerely,

Randy D. Rutherford, Sr.
Vice President - Class Judging

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Enclosure

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