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This AutoDelta GTV was Alfa Romeo's rallying swansong

LeadOne of only 7 original cars built by AutoDelta, this 1975 Alfa Romeo Alfetta GTV raced during the company's last year of competition in the World Rally Championship. Now, this wide-body veteran is looking for a new home with Ruote Da Sogno.





When it comes to Motorsport, Alfa Romeo is primarily remembered for its success on the tarmac, not off of it, but that isn't to say that the Milanese firm never tried its hand at rallying. This amazing 1975 Alfa Romeo Alfetta GTV is one of a mere seven Group-2 spec cars built by AutoDelta for the 1975 season, and serves as a historic relic from Alfa Romeo's final year of officially competing in the rally championship.



Of the seven cars, the most notable result from Alfa's 1975 campaign was a win at the Rally dell'Isola d'Elba with Amilcare Ballestrieri and Enrico Gigli in the cockpit of this example's sister car. However, the GTV you see here also certainly showed signs of promise. Entrusted to driver Francesco "Chicco" Svizzero, the highlights of this GTV's campaign included a trio of class wins at the Rally di San Giacomo with a third overall finish, Rally 4 Regioni where it finished fourth overall, and finally at the Rally Alpi Orientali where it bagged another third overall finish. However, despite this success, these AutoDelta GTVs and the 1975 season would mark the end of Alfa Romeo's official rallying endeavours, with orders from the top ending the program.





Today, this stunning GTV remains in impeccable condition and is offered for sale with Ruote Da Sogno. The bodywork, which was restored over 20 years ago, remains extremely clean, as does the interior, while the car is accompanied with extensive documentation, including the book "Alfa Romeo e Autodelta nei rally" written by Chicco Svizzero himself, which includes many incredible period photos of this GTV in action. While this Alfa's rallying career was cut short, Chicco Svizzero has stated in numerous interviews that, given the chance, this GTV would have surely attained the success Alfa Romeo's management were looking for. Based on this Alfa's jaw-dropping appearance alone, we certainly wouldn't disagree!

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