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## This 'barn-find' Lamborghini Miura is craving your tender loving care

#### Lead

Contrary to its shabby exterior, the result of lying dormant for the last four years, this Lamborghini Miura LP400 S has enjoyed a wonderful life in the hands of just two owners, the latter of whom cherished it for over four decades. Thanks to RM Sotheby's you could write its next chapter...

#### An eccentric first owner





Royalty, pop stars, playboys and Hollywood icons - the Lamborghini Miura was the car in which to be seen in the 1970s. The German advertising magnate Walter Becker was nothing if not eccentric. Among the Nuremberg-based playboy's vast collection of cars was this Giallo Flay Miura LP400 S, which he bought new from Sant'Agata in 1971

Just three years later, the car was bought by an enthusiast from Freiburg by the name of Hans-Peter Weber. Weber's brother Karl recalls collecting the car from Becker, who was unexplainedly wearing a silk bathrobe at the time. We told you: eccentric...

### A fully-fledged member of the family





Weber cherished and enjoyed the Lamborghini for over 40 years, during which time it made quite the impression on both his family and the ladies in his life. "I remember my uncle's female co-drivers," remembers Weber's great-nephew, "they always had to wear a bright yellow top and blue jeans to match the colours of the car!" Perhaps more importantly, Weber never restored his Miura – a testament to how well he looked after it.

Weber sadly died in 2015, after which his beloved Lamborghini was tucked away in a barn. Presented in remarkably original condition, it will now be offered with no reserve by RM Sotheby's at its London sale on 24 October at Kensington Olympia. The exterior and mechanicals are understandably in need of a refresh, but the Skay Bleu interior is beautifully preserved – a true time capsule. Finding an unrestored Miura is rare, but to find a two-owner example that's in as good a shape as this car is nearly unheard of.

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