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This Zagato-bodied Maserati A6G is a snow-white beauty

LeadThis stunning 1955 Maserati A6G-2000 has a history as complex and tumultuous as its Zagato coachwork is beautiful. Read more below!





Red and white may be the colour scheme of a certain famous barrel-chested, present-delivering pseudo deity, but we think the frosty white and blue of this ice-cold 1955 Maserati A6G-2000 is just as appropriate this festive season. This mechanical beauty is chassis #2108, which originally started life wearing a prototype Allemano coach built body and was completed on the 9th of September 1955 at the Maserati factory. However, if you look back in the history books, you'll see that isn't the body it wears today.





After stunning crowds at the 1955 Paris Motor Show and 1956 New York Motor Show, chassis #2108 was purchased from Maserati Showroom in New York city in 1956. However, it wasn't long before misfortune reared its ugly head for this gorgeous Maserati. During transport to its first owner, a fire broke out from under the dashboard, destroying the unique original coachwork while only the chassis, engine and gearbox remained. A few decades passed with the car's remains changing hands occasionally, until eventually chassis #2108 was purchased in 1995 by a collector from Bethlehem, Connecticut, called Keith Duly.





It would be fair to say this car wouldn't exist today without Mr. Duly's intervention, who purchased the damaged but mostly complete body of another Maserati, chassis #2102, this time with coachwork by Zagato. Notably, this was the body used on the Mille Miglia test car driven by Stirling Moss and Denis Jenkinson with the number 318 that it wears today. Around the turn of the millennium, Mr. Duly then commissioned Quality Cars of Padua to marry the matching-numbers running gear of chassis #2108 with the Zagato bodywork of #2102, giving the car the attractive nose of the Berlina Coupé 2000/D. Finally, work was completed in 2015, and we have to say the results are simply spectacular. Since its restoration, this Maserati has been enjoying life back on the road, participating in the Mille Miglia in both 2017 and 2020. Now in spectacular condition and ready to be driven, this Maserati A6G would make for one hell of a Christmas present. If you know of someone deserving of such a gift, please get in touch with the good people at Movendi.

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