

Chris and Jan's Classic

We bought the Mini Cooper RSP (Rover Special Products) in 1990 putting in our order before the model was officially announced. The RSP re-introduced the Cooper to the Mini range and sports a special interior plus 1275cc engine and other upgrades. We have now owned it for 32 years and it has covered over 135,000 miles.

Not modified but rather enhanced with upgraded engine, brakes and suspension. The car is used as the Course Car on many Classic Car Events and has been an official car on many World Rally GB events traversing the forest stages – hence the sump shield.

Our Alpine A110 is not a 'Classic' but an interesting vehicle which is surely destined for classic status. Built in the same factory as the classic Renault Alpine A110 from the 1960's and 70's which was a very succesful rally car with Alpine taking the first ever manyfacturers World Rally Championship in 1972. Sharing the same DNA the modern A110 has similar styling and design concept. It is very light being made primerily from aluminium and has a 260bhp mid mounted engine, from a Renault Megane RS. The combination of light weight and sufficient power results in a 0 – 62 mph time of 4.6secs and a top speed limited to 150mph. The handling is simply sensational with double wishbones all round. Fuel economy usually in the 40 mpg range greatly assisted by a seven speed gearbox.

Inside, this being one of 30 Legende GTs in the country, there is full leather heated seats plus a more luxury interior than the track orientated models. Luggage spce is tight but adequate with luggage compartments front an rear.