

1961 Mercedes-Benz 190SL

2dr Convertible • 4-cyl. 1897cc/120hp 2x2bbl Solex

#1 Concours condition

\$248,000

↗ +2.5%

#2 Excellent condition

\$147,000

↗ +2.8%

#3 Good condition

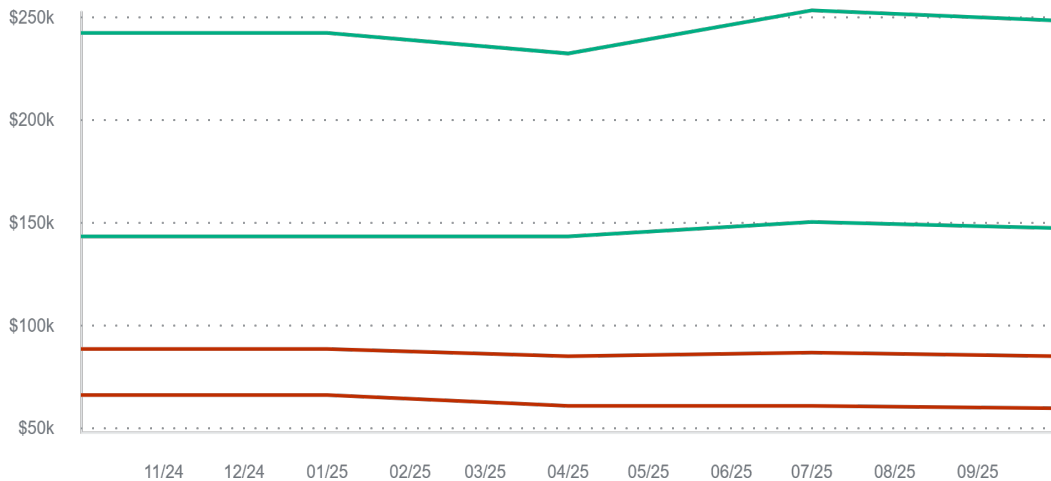
\$84,700*

↘ -4%

#4 Fair condition

\$59,300

↘ -9.9%



NOTE: The chart displays price changes for the last year.

Value adjustments

+\$25,000
for hard top.

Model description

The Mercedes-Benz 300SL was technically brilliant in nearly every way, from its pioneering use of fuel injection to its tubular space frame. However, it wasn't initially offered in an open body style and all of its technical innovation didn't come cheaply. Mercedes desperately needed a sporting model that could sell at a lower price point.

The 190SL utilized some of the features of the 300SL like its independent rear suspension but rather than being built on a light space frame, the 190 was built on a shortened sedan platform. In place of the fuel injected six-cylinder was a carbureted four-banger breathing through twin Solex carburetors. The car driving characteristics were more of a boulevardier than a sports car, though it did look quite sporting as it shared a number of styling cues with the 300SL. It also shared that car's peerless build quality. For this reason, 190SLs are nearly as difficult and expensive to restore as the more valuable 300SL. Values of late have made it less of a labor-of-love proposition to restore one, but still the best practice is to buy a done car as the costs of even the most minor upgrades and refurbishing can escalate quickly.

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Body styles

2dr Convertible

Engine types4-cyl. 1897cc/120hp 2x2bbl
Solex**1955-1963 Mercedes-Benz 190SL stats**

Highest sale	Lowest sale	Most recent sale	Sales
\$352,000	\$7,606	\$150,150	1221

Equipment**Additional Info**

Vehicle Length: 168.9 in

Wheelbase - Inches: 94.5 in

Vehicle's condition classification**#1. Concours**

#1 vehicles are the best in the world. Imagine the best vehicle, in the right colors, driving onto the lawn at the finest concours. Perfectly clean, the vehicle has been groomed down to the tire treads. Painted and chromed surfaces are mirror-like. Dust and dirt are banned, and materials used are correct and superbly fitted.

#3. Good

#3 vehicles drive and run well but are not used for daily transportation. The casual passerby will not find any visual flaws, but these vehicles might have some incorrect parts. #3 vehicles could possess some, but not all, of the issues of a #4 vehicle, but they will be balanced by other factors such as fresh paint or a new, correct interior.

#2. Excellent

#2 vehicles could win a local or regional show. They might even be former #1 vehicles that have been driven or have aged. Seasoned observers will have to look closely for flaws but will be able to find some. The paint, chrome, glass and finishes will all appear as excellent. The vehicle drives as a new vehicle of its era would.

#4. Fair

#4 vehicles are daily drivers, with flaws visible to the naked eye. The chrome might have pitting, the windshield might be chipped and perhaps the body has a minor dent. Imperfect paintwork, split seams or a cracked dash might be present. No major parts are missing, but there might be non-stock additions. A #4 vehicle can also be a deteriorated restoration.