

1971 BMW 2800CS

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The 2800 CS, a sporty gentlemen's coupe, was the top of the line BMW when it was introduced in Europe in 1968. This "Malaga" red coupe was first sold in November 1970 by the BMW dealer in Andernach, Germany. Two years later, when the car had 42,376 kilometers (26,262 miles), it was purchased at the same BMW dealership by an American tourist Solomon Oziel of Van Nuys, California, who had the car shipped to the USA. Mr. Oziel kept meticulous records of everything related to his coupe. He owned the car until



When getting in and driving the coupe, I can understand why Mr. Oziel kept it for 37 years, until he died.

he passed away in 2009 at the age of 85, at which time the car had covered a little over 77,000 miles. In April 2010, I purchased it from the estate of Mr. Oziel.



As the car had suffered a bit from being parked for many years, I embarked on an extensive re-commissioning, including minor rust repair, a complete repaint, a full mechanical over haul including engine and transmission rebuilt, the installation of air conditioning and leather seats.



