

# Land Rover Defender 90 V8 4.0L 50th Anniversary UK vehic..

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4.0 l

DISPLACEMENT

190 bhp

MAX POWER

Automatic - 4 Speed + Reverse / Torque converter

TRANSMISSION

Petrol - LPG

FUEL TYPE

Karlsen Auto Design are extremely pleased to offer the rare opportunity to UK and International buyers with 'The Holy grail' of Defenders a Land Rover Defender 90 50th Anniversary 4.0L V8. With only 385 ever made this is Limited Edition number GB359.

The only V8 Automatic Defender ever produced from the Land Rover Factory. This was to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the highly collectable Defender. With production of the iconic Defender now ceased this is the last chance to obtain the best Defender ever made in it's finest form.

The Defender 50th Limited Edition has got to be one of the best defenders ever produced, and one of the most expensive with a price tag of £26,000 when it rolled out the showroom. The 50th combines comfort, performance and practicality, which makes it the ultimate 90 in terms of desirability. Land Rover only produced 385 on the British market it also makes them rare. This is a GB / UK numbered vehicle which is most important.

**Interior features:** One of the 50th's most unusual features in the lack of a bulkhead between the drivers compartment and the rear load space, which gives the cabin a more spacious feel and allows more comfortable transport of passengers and more adjustment to the front seats.

The dashboard is better laid-out, which is a huge plus. The warning light remains visible in the sun, there is a rev counter and digital odometer to keep the clocks at bay.

Also to keep the cool and luxurious feel in summer it comes with air conditioning.

A host of extras have been added to the 50th, which are both useful and decorative. Inside the cabin there is extra soundproofing, an integrated centre console with built in cubby box and polished aluminium knob on the transfer gear selector and electric windows.

The steering wheel and auto selector has been covered in perforated leather to give the luxurious feel. Also because the fuel tank on the 50th is located to

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the rear it also has a storage box under the drivers seat.

## Engine, transmission & handling:

The 50th comes with a four speed ZF auto 'box and a mighty four litre V8 under the bonnet which combines to give a sense of power and smoothness. The acceleration is phenomenal with 184 bhp, yet the lavish soundproofing and cossetting ride give a very satisfying level of refinement and luxury.

The 50th has standard springs and shocks all round, but also anti-roll bars front and rear to keep the beast under control. But this also would explain the vehicles superb handling properties. And to stop the beast there are disk brakes all round and the fronts are vented.

A great thing is that the engine is looked after by a GEM's engine management system, as used on Range Rovers. Because the BFG tyres are only rated to go no more than 100mph the 50th has a restrictor to limit to 99mph.

## Exterior features:

On the exterior of the vehicle there is polished chrome side steps,

checker plate wing tops, sills and rear corner protectors. The best extra is the safari roll cage which is bolted to the chaise to provide excellent front cabin protection.

Also there is a NAS style rear step.

The 50th comes with Pewter Grey freestyle alloys. It only comes in one colour, Atlantis blue, as this colour is reserved for special edition vehicles. To show it is a 50th it has a rear plaque, which is engraved with its production number, and a smaller version is on the centre console inside. Our vehicle is GB359.

This is by far the best 90 ever. I think when special vehicles took on the project they wanted to show how awesome the defender can be. So lets drink to the future and appreciate that Land Rover produced something very special in the the 50th Anniversary.

**Our 50th Anniversary** was originally supplied to Park Lane Land Rover in London and has 4 previous owners. An LPG conversion was carried out in 2010 and covered 7500 miles since then. The conversion is a neat twin 35L underbody tank set up, leaving the cabin untouched.

We also have the original Land Rover 50th Anniversary Folders including all receipts / invoices. Full Shukers Land Rover main dealer service portfolio stamped up. Two Land Rover remote keys and all locks are correct. At present it is in Soft Top form with all Hard top panels by arrangement.

We are carrying out a Full restoration back to original Land Rover Specification. Many upgrades available please get in touch to discuss.

Should any purchasers want to work in conjunction with Karlsen Auto Design throughout the restoration process, we would be happy to alter/change any or all of the specification dependent upon clients budget. Please contact us via skype by adding us to your contacts - karlsenautodesign

If you are reading this we are sure you appreciate the calibre of vehicle and Investment potential. You may be wanting to add this to your vehicle portfolio.



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## Photos



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## Specifications

### Overview

Country of origin:	UK
Make:	Land Rover
Model:	Defender 90 V8 4.0L 50th Anniversary UK vehicle (GB359)
Year:	1998
Transmission Type:	Automatic - 4 Speed + Reverse / Torque converter
Body Style:	SUV
Fuel Type:	Petrol - LPG
Drive:	4WD
Doors:	3
Seats:	6
Engine Location:	Front
Fuel Capacity:	2 l

### Performance

Cylinders:	8
Top Speed:	99 MPH
Engine Power:	190 BHP (4750 RPM)
Engine Torque:	Nm/236Lbs/ft
Fuel Economy City:	13.1 l/100km
Fuel Economy HWY:	18.5 l/100km
Fuel Economy Mixed:	24.1 l/100km

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