

Wiedner Lancia Montecarlo



In 2005 this Gr4 Monte was for sale on autoscout24.de so I couldn't resist and veni, vidi, vici it was mine. The owner didn't really want to sale, but lack of time left the car standing around almost all the time. He completed the missing stickers and I drove the car from deepest Bavaria to my home.



Being a former rallye car it is low, loud and a great fun. It has a Gr4 wing extension kit with 8J13 ATS rims and 205/60 tires, roll cage, sport seats and harnesses. The brakes are Fiat Uno Turbo in the front with a Lancia Thema brake booster located in the front compartment and working on all 4 wheels, so braking is real good. The instrument cluster is custom made with a central rev counter. Currently it's equipped with a Fiat Ritmo Abarth 130TC engine, double Solex carbs and an ANSA exhaust that make it loud inside and great fun on shorter runs.





The Monte is the former rally car of the later austrian rallye champion Wilfried Wiedner. In 1979 it was run by Stig Blomquist in the Jaenner Rallye in Austria, who was leading in the rallye as problems in the car electricis forced him to cease. Later on the Monte found its way to Germany where the guy I bought it from got it in bad shape and did some restoration work in the 1979 colours. Because of its rallye history there is even a (rare) model of the car existing made in Italy by Riva, later Meri kits.





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As the car's condition wasn't bad I only did some detail improvements and enjoyed it on the narrow roads in our Black Forest region. Compared to my silver Monte it is a very different driving, faster, louder, harder, a real race car, but a real torture if you want to go some hundreds of kilometers.





In 2007 beeing in Austria near Vienna on a Monte meeting I had just some fun on a driving camp track as the gearbox blew away. After the car was home again and the box out of it there were some bigger pieces of the differential housing missing. Another gearbox and a new clutch in and it was ready for the road again.



*pics courtesy of Wilfried Wiedner, **taken from auto revue 2/79, ***courtesy of Alfa Club Luxembourg