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1991 Mercedes-Benz 500SL

2dr Roadster 8-cyl. 4983cc/322hp MPFI

\$12,200 Avg Value*

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MODEL OVERVIEW

In one form or another, Mercedes-Benz has been producing a two-seat sporty convertible since 1954 under the SL-Class moniker (SL standing for “Sport Leicht,” or “Sport Lightweight” in English). The cars have always been popular standard bearers, and have combined sporty touring qualities with comfort and quality. The R129 version of the Mercedes-Benz SL is no exception.

For the 1990 model year, Mercedes had prepared a replacement for the R107 design that had served the SL-Class since 1972. The new R129 design received a state-of-the-art adjustable sport-luxury suspension and an all-new chassis. Twin A-arm front and fully independent multi-link rear suspension, four-wheel disc brakes, and a complete unibody chassis defined the new SL. Safety features included an automatic roll bar that was designed to extend in the event of a rollover accident. All SL-Class cars in this era were delivered with a cloth convertible top and a removable aluminum hardtop.

To mark the start of the R129, Mercedes brought back the venerable 300SL designation with a 3.0-liter inline six-cylinder single overhead cam engine at 190 hp, or double overhead cam at 228 hp. The 300SL was offered with a five-speed manual or optional five-speed automatic transmission.

Buyers could also opt for the 500SL, with a 5.0-liter overhead cam V-8 engine at 322 hp, with a four-speed automatic transmission. These options remained essentially unchanged until 1993, when the 600SL was added, featuring a 6.0-liter 48-valve double overhead cam V-12 engine at 389 hp and four-speed automatic transmission.

For 1994, Mercedes changed the nomenclature, placing the class designation before the displacement in the car’s official name. The 500SL became the SL500 at the same horsepower, while the 300SL was discontinued and replaced by the SL320 with a 3.2-liter double overhead cam inline six-cylinder at 220 hp. The top-of-the-line SL600 was still delivered with the V-12. In 1996, both the SL500 and SL600 were upgraded to a five-speed electronic automatic transmission.

These model designations were maintained through 1998, when the SL320 was dropped. The SL500 and SL600 continued to the end of the R129 chassis in the 2002 model year. However, the SL500 dropped to 302 hp from 1998 through 2002. The SL600 V-12 remained unchanged through the end of this era.

The R129 Mercedes SL-Class is one of the finest engineered cars of its era, and all represent fun and fantastic experiences. The V-8 and V-12 models obviously offer more power and performance, but driving enthusiasts may prefer the manual transmissions of the six-cylinder models. The 300SL is the value choice while the SL320 offers better responsiveness. Starting in 1995 to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the legendary Mercedes victory at the Mille Miglia, the company offered a Mille Miglia special edition with racing-inspired touches. Mille Miglia editions were offered again for the 1999-2001 model years. A 1997 40th anniversary roadster edition was available, and in 2002 a Silver Arrow special edition was offered.

BODY STYLES:

2dr Roadster

SPECIFICATIONS:

Curb Weight: not available

Length: not available

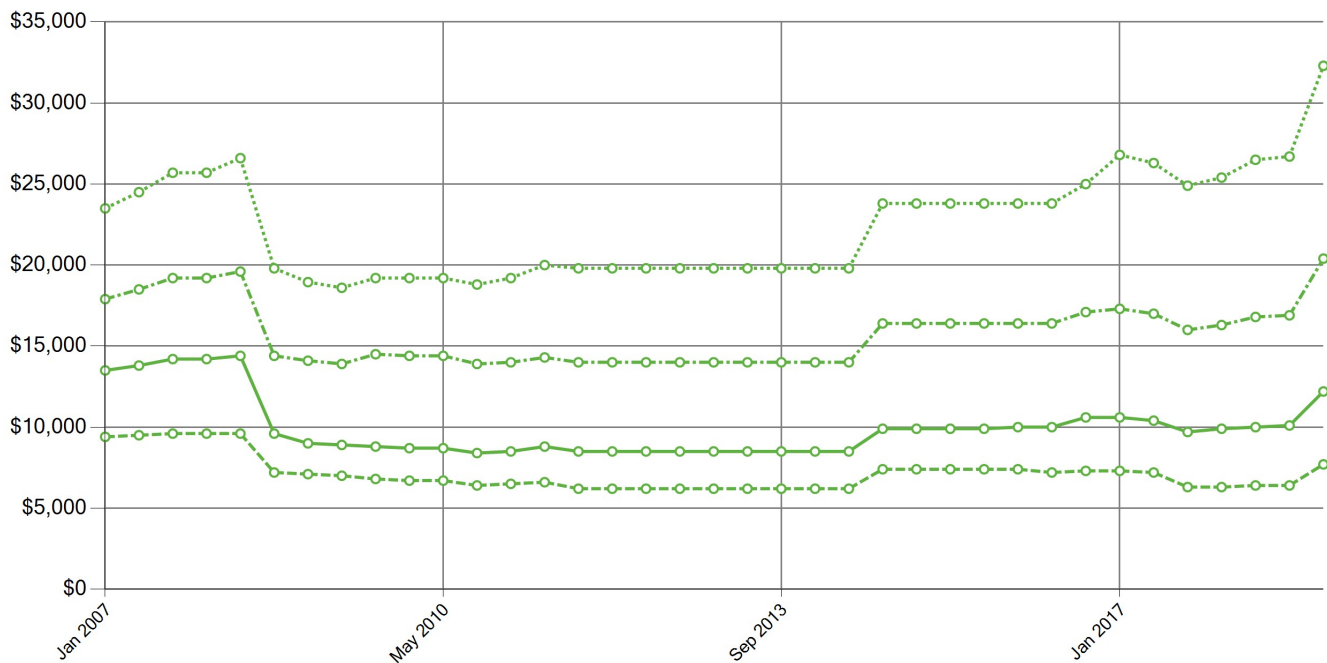
Wheelbase: not available

ENGINES:

8-cyl. 4973cc/326hp Bosch FI

8-cyl. 4983cc/322hp MPFI

CURRENT & HISTORICAL VALUES



Prices assumes that no major modifications to the vehicle are present.

#1 Concours **\$32,300**

Condition #1 vehicles are the best in the world. The visual image is of 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. The one word description for #1 vehicles is "concours."

#2 Excellent ----- **\$20,400**

#2 vehicles could win a local or regional show. They can 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 not seen by the general public. The paint, chrome, glass and finishes will all appear as excellent. No excessive smoke will be seen on startup, no unusual noises will emanate from the engine. The vehicle will drive as a new vehicle of its era would. The one word description for #2 vehicles is "excellent."

#3 Good ----- **\$12,200**

#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 a fresh paint job or a new, correct interior where applicable. #3 vehicles drive and run well, but might have some incorrect parts. These vehicles are not used for daily transportation but are ready for a long tour without excuses, and the casual passerby will not find any visual flaws. "Good" is the one word description of a #3 vehicle.

#4 Fair ----- **\$7,700**

#4 vehicles are daily drivers, with flaws visible to the naked eye. The chrome might have pitting or scratches, the windshield might be chipped. Paintwork is imperfect, and perhaps the body has a minor dent. Split seams or a cracked dash, where applicable, might be present. No major parts are missing, but the wheels could differ from the originals, or other non-stock additions might be present. A #4 vehicle can also be a deteriorated restoration. "Fair" is the one word that describes a #4 vehicle.

CURRENT & HISTORICAL VALUES

Date	Fair	Good	Excellent	Concours	Notes/Buzz
Jan 2019	\$7,700	\$12,200	\$20,400	\$32,300	
Sep 2018	\$6,400	\$10,100	\$16,900	\$26,700	
May 2018	\$6,400	\$10,000	\$16,800	\$26,500	
Jan 2018	\$6,300	\$9,900	\$16,300	\$25,400	
Sep 2017	\$6,300	\$9,700	\$16,000	\$24,900	
May 2017	\$7,200	\$10,400	\$17,000	\$26,300	
Jan 2017	\$7,300	\$10,600	\$17,300	\$26,800	
Sep 2016	\$7,300	\$10,600	\$17,100	\$25,000	
May 2016	\$7,200	\$10,000	\$16,400	\$23,800	
Jan 2016	\$7,400	\$10,000	\$16,400	\$23,800	
Sep 2015	\$7,400	\$9,900	\$16,400	\$23,800	
May 2015	\$7,400	\$9,900	\$16,400	\$23,800	
Jan 2015	\$7,400	\$9,900	\$16,400	\$23,800	
Sep 2014	\$7,400	\$9,900	\$16,400	\$23,800	
May 2014	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
Jan 2014	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
Sep 2013	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
May 2013	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
Jan 2013	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
Sep 2012	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
May 2012	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
Jan 2012	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
Sep 2011	\$6,200	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,800	
May 2011	\$6,600	\$8,800	\$14,300	\$20,000	
Jan 2011	\$6,500	\$8,500	\$14,000	\$19,200	
Sep 2010	\$6,400	\$8,400	\$13,900	\$18,800	
May 2010	\$6,700	\$8,700	\$14,400	\$19,200	
Jan 2010	\$6,700	\$8,700	\$14,400	\$19,200	
Sep 2009	\$6,800	\$8,800	\$14,500	\$19,200	
May 2009	\$7,000	\$8,900	\$13,900	\$18,600	
Jan 2009	\$7,100	\$9,000	\$14,100	\$18,950	
Sep 2008	\$7,200	\$9,600	\$14,400	\$19,800	

Date	Fair	Good	Excellent	Concours	Notes/Buzz
May 2008	\$9,600	\$14,400	\$19,600	\$26,600	
Jan 2008	\$9,600	\$14,200	\$19,200	\$25,700	
Sep 2007	\$9,600	\$14,200	\$19,200	\$25,700	
May 2007	\$9,500	\$13,800	\$18,500	\$24,500	
Jan 2007	\$9,400	\$13,500	\$17,900	\$23,500	

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VIN DECODER

W D B F A 6 6 E 0 M C 0 0 0 0 0 0

W Country: **Germany**

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B Manufacturer: **Daimler-Benz**

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6 Model/Body Style: **500SL Roadster**

E Restraint System: **Airbags w/3pt. Belts**

0 Check Digit: **not available**

M Year: **1991**

C Assembly Plant: **Sindelfingen, Germany**

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0 Serial Number: **not available**