

1990 Holden HSV VN SS Group A Commodore listed for auction

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The value of Australian-built performance cars has skyrocketed in recent years. The sellers of this Bathurst V8 special believe it could send records tumbling once again.

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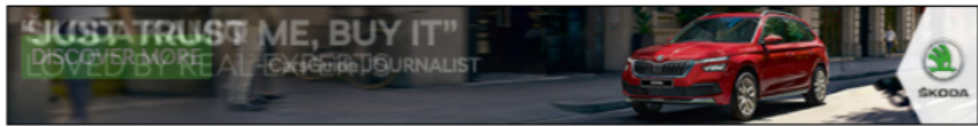
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A 1990 Holden HSV VN SS Group A Commodore has been listed for auction, with high hopes of attracting a record-breaking price.

The Australian-built four-door sedan has had two owners since new who, between them, put 36,000km on the clock. It is unknown if the car was driven primarily on the road or a racetrack.

Stamped #002, the vehicle is one of just 302 ever built. Group A motorsport regulations at the time required 500 road-going examples to be produced for homologation, however, Holden was given an exemption for the 1991 and 1992 seasons.



A 5.0-litre V8 petrol engine sends 215kW/411Nm to the rear wheels via a six-speed manual transmission, allowing the benchmark 0-100km/h sprint to be completed in a claimed 6.5 seconds on the way to a top speed of 259km/h.





Inside the cabin, deep bucket seats and door cards are trimmed in a wool-based fabric. The driver faces a black rubber steering wheel and hard plastic dashboard.

"We auctioned the same model back in April, which broke an Australian World Record price [the vehicle was passed in at \$450,000, and private agreement was settled post auction with the highest bidder] ... we believe this one being build 002 might just break it again based on the amount of enquiry we have had already," said Lee Hames, the Chief Operating Officer at Lloyds Auctions.

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"This iconic car is a timepiece in Australian motor sporting history, and serious enthusiasts will need to be verified prior to bidding due to the important significance of this car," Mr Hames added.

[Lloyds Auctions](#) is facilitating the sale. At the time of publishing, the highest bid registered at \$306,000.