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2005 [55] AUDI -A8 4.2 TDi Quattro-SE 4-Door Saloon. 4.2 TDi v8i 32valve MPFI DOHC, 326BHP, 6Speed Tiptronic Auto. Solely owned and maintained by Audi [VWFS] UK with F/A/S/H + 19500 miles. Finished in rare and exquisite pearlised Platinum Beige Metallic with matching soft Valcona Sahne beige supple leather interior. The 4.2Litre A8 TDi adds also a dash of testosterone to the formula, and yields a more aggressive shape with its deliciously low-slung bulbous body. In front, it has a striking one-piece corporate grill that bisects the bumper, which in turn flanked by wide cut twin air intakes. Behind this lies the stupendous all-wheel-drive 6-speed automatic with it's 4.2 litre 32 valve compact V8 power plant producing close to 480- lbf-ft of humongous torque enough to lug an oil rig off its moorings and a colossal 330-BHP resulting in an exhilarating 0-60mph in 5.7 secs or in simpler terms; 0 to delicious in no time at all. The A8 4.2TDi is indeed a very well designed, capably powered, safe and luxurious high-end executive car that became to be the most powerful diesel production car in the world today. From the company that prides itself on having "Vorsprung durch Technik" [Progress through Technology] literally flowing through its veins, it is unsurprising to see the confluence of technology and common sense functionality which is ever omnipresent throughout this diesel supercar. Touted as the most powerful oil burner in the world today she does not so much accelerate effortlessly but relentlessly thrusts forward by rapidly accumulating velocity. Because you are so well cocooned by sound and vibration insulation, the speedometer is the sole clearest indicator of just how rapidly you are picking up pace. The rush of the outside world seems a little at odds with the calm inside the cabin. Gear changes glide through the six-speed Tiptronic automatic with a barely perceptible change in engine note, and without any interruption to the remorseless surge of thrust. Suddenly, without realising, you have wafted into the 155mph speed limiter. This überdiesel is the epiphany of blend and functionality. Her leather is absolutely supple and dreamy, the carpeting is the just the opposite of coarse and utilitarian weaves found in some of her competition, the woods are gorgeous and even the plastics feel somehow very un-plasticity. She was the first car worldwide to be available with a hands-free Bluetooth car phone with cordless receiver. Once connected, all the important telephone functions are operable via the Multi-Media-Interface control unit. Audi colour-matches its plush interior with soft suede leather and then spreads it around in perfect proportions on the doors as well as the headliner. No cheesy use of felt here, but rather a lavish, posh, lush, swanky, swishy, stunning, super-deluxe finishing in super soft Valcona leather. 'Nuff said. The brains and guts of the A8 lie in the superlative MMI system that is a great deal easier to operate than BMW's iDrive system. MMI controls from the stereo to the lighting, locking systems and is the computing nerve centre of the car. All this is conveniently accessed through an intuitive dial and ergonomically placed set of buttons. When you combine these refinements with the "Quattro" permanent 4-wheel drive, the matching sportiness of the aluminium driveline, all aluminium Audi Space Frame body construction and an elegantly seductive interior decor with sports seats in Valcona leather and you have in the A8, a car that is setting the highest standards in performance, luxury and driving excellence. Add to this a gigantic twisting force in the form of humongous mid-range torque and with the resulting snarly twin exhaust that puts a manic grin on any ones face, you effortlessly accelerate like a cheetah on the hunt swiftly darting from corner to corner sweeping through the apexes of winding country roads with the animal grip of Quattro all-wheel drive, your senses are re-assured as this power is effortlessly and flawlessly poured through all her four paws. The result is a very high standard of handling and ride. The driver can also select a "sport" setting to firm up the ride. The Audi's dynamic capability and responses are big safety elements, but there are also front and side airbags, anti-whiplash head restraints and the body shell that is extremely strong. Audi truly comes closer to the F1 experience in a sports saloon than anything else does whether you use the gear shift or keep it in automatic or pop it into Sport mode. A delicious car that is the visible expression of technological perfection through innovation and embodiment of ingenious design. A car that has been painstakingly created by the very best of Ingolstadt for the discriminating in you.

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SPECIFICATION

Table with 2 columns: MAKE, MODEL, Registration NUMBER, Date of First Registration, COLOUR [Exterior / Interior], Number of Cylinders & TYPE, Cylinder CAPACITY, Horse POWER / Torque, Chassis/Frame NUMBER, Engine NUMBER, Fuel TYPE. Values include AUDI, A8, 4.2 Litre V8i TDi Quattro SE, 6-speed Tiptronic Automatic, MT55 NNP, 20th October 2005 [2006 Model], Platinum Beige Pearl Metallic [LZ1Z/7Z] / Valcona Sahne Beige Leather[N5D/LW], V8i, 32 Valve, DOHC, Bi-TURBO with TWO intercoolers, 4134 cc, 326 BHP @ 3750 rpm / 479 Lbf-Ft between 1600-3500 rpm, WAUZZZ 4E 3 6N011574, BVN-001924, DIESEL Fuel OIL [v-Power Diesel ONLY]

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