

Harley Davidson Engines Through History

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Aviation Week and Space Technology

Every gearhead bike enthusiast will love this title for its rich history of the legacy brand known as Harley-Davidson. This title profiles some of the company's most iconic models, from the debut 1911 Model 7D to today's sleek and modern VRSCA V-Rod. Readers can immerse themselves in details such as horsepower, torque, transmission types, exhaust systems, wheelbase measurements, and speed. For more info, there is also a spec sheet on each model. The showroom-worthy images of each of these beautiful bikes make this book a must-read for anyone interested in the Harley legacy.

Harley-Davidson and Philosophy

This addition to the Badger Biographies series tells the story of four young inventors who shared a dream: to create the best motorized bicycle in America. Their turn of the century aspirations took them from a backyard machine shop to a highly successful business empire - and all in the span of just a few years. With grit, determination, and not a little elbow grease, Bill Harley and the Davidson brothers - Arthur, William, and Walter - used their engineering and machine-shop expertise to continually perfect their designs and present the best possible products to the American public. Along the way they made their mark on the racing circuit and introduced safety measures that continue to this day. After their deaths, their sons and daughters continued this legacy, buying back the company after it changed hands and re-establishing Harley-

Davidson as the king of the motorcycle world. From the old Knucklehead, Panhead and Shovelhead motors to the Evolution, Revolution and Twin Cam engines that followed, the story of Harley and the Davidsons remains one of the great success stories of the 20th century.

Harley and the Davidsons

Donny is the Winner of the 2012 International Book Awards. Donny Petersen has been educating motorcycle enthusiasts about Harley-Davidson bikes for years. Now, he has combined all his knowledge into a twelve-volume series masterpiece and this third book is one that every rider will treasure. Petersen, who has studied privately with Harley-Davidson engineers and has spent thirty-six years working on motorcycles, is sharing all of his secrets! As the founder of Toronto's Heavy Duty Cycles in 1974, North America's premier motorcycle shop, the dean of motorcycle technology teaches about the theory, design, and mechanical aspects of Harleys. In this third volume, discover: 1. How to identify the Evolution models. 2. Why the Evolution models are better. 3. Everything you need to know about engines. 4. Troubleshooting every facet of the Evolution. And so much more! The Harley-Davidson Evolution The Japanese had more than quality. Their arsenal included acceleration and speed combining with good braking and handling. They could design, tool-up and build a new motorcycle in a mere eighteen months. The flavor of the day could easily be accomplished with this organizational skill and dexterity. On top of this they had lower prices. The Gang of 13 took over a failing company or did they? By 1982, Harley-Davidson sales went into a tailspin with plunging production. The USA was in a deep recession. Adding to the perfect storm was the flood of Asian imports that many believe were being sold in the U.S. below their manufactured costs. Whether this was true or not, how did a small country a half-world away manufacture a quality product that was faster, handled better, and was less expensive? Furthermore, these import motorcycles were more functional. Well, of course they did because USA motorcycle manufacturing offered old clunker styling that was slower, did not handle well, and broke down all the time! And for all of this, Harley-Davidson's cost more. Insulting if one thinks about it. It is not that the Evolution was that good relative to their competitors because in my opinion it was not. However, the Evolution was stellar relative to what went before. I was a loyal Shovelhead rider, necessarily becoming a mechanic along the way. I like the rest of my ilk would never consider riding any other product. I did not care that a Honda might be functionally better, less expensive, and not require my newfound mechanical skills. Honda simply did not give what my psyche craved. Importantly, H-D dropped its lackadaisical attitude towards copyright infringement, particularly with knock-off products. Harley-Davidson became extremely aggressive against the counterfeiting of their trademarks. It licensed use of its logos with all manner merchandise that was embraced by mainstream America followed by the world including the Japanese. H-D then saw the birth of HOG, the most successful marketing and loyalty campaign in the annals of corporate sustenance. The world embraced this pasteurized version of the outlaw subculture. You might meet the nicest people on a Honda but Harley riders are all about cool. They adapt a pseudo-outlaw lifestyle that emulates freedom and individualism. They spend much of their time adopting one

charity or another to prove they really aren't bad. Many charities benefitted greatly during the Harley boom. Can these riders be contesting the Honda mantra of niceness? The previous owners AMF deserve much credit for the success of Harley-Davidson. They gave the Gang of 13 a platform from, which to launch. These new guys were brighter than bright. They put a management team together that knew no bounds in success. I am sure that Marketing 101 in every business school teaches and will continue to teach their brilliant story. Harley-Davidson became the epitome of American manufacturing and marketing, the darling of capitalism at its finest. Think about it! How could a rusty old manufacturer whose time had drifted by reach such pinnacles of success? Well, H-D had a little help along the way with two main sociological factors: 1. The post World War II baby boom, the aging bulge in American demographics looking for adventure and whatever (safely) came their way. 2. A generation that worked hard; raised families and then looked back at what they had missed in their youth. Harley-Davidson embodied the freedom and adventure they lacked. Harley-Davidson was granted two decades, in which to plan a lasting and viable future. It sought to be the motorcycle of mainstream America. The world would follow. This venerable company almost pulled it off. The Motor Company updated technology both in their manufacturing venue and in the product itself. H-D balanced on a near-impossible fulcrum, maintaining tradition on one side and complying with environmental dictates on the other. The Evolution's successor, the air-cooled Twin Cam introduced in 1999 with great success. H-D continued to grow and prosper. I have always viewed the Twin Cam as a transitional model embracing the past but leading into a future of overhead cams and water jackets. The new H-D V-Rod's technological marvels are a wonderful attempt but as much as the Factory hoped, mainstream Harley riders did not take the bait en masse. After all they had their psychological needs. These attempts did not prevent dark clouds from appearing on the horizon: 1. Inexorably, the post World War II baby boom's bulge has grown older, losing interest in reclaiming youth with interests shifting elsewhere. Who is to take over this downsizing market? Who will be left to support the Motor Company in the style it has become accustomed? 2. In my humble opinion, the masters of marketing did not fill the coming void of consumers. I think H-D is good at pretty much everything except lowering prices for the incoming generations. Nor have they developed affordable and desirable product lines for the youth. Certainly, the Factory began to enjoy economies of scale in manufacturing. I for one do not think they have used their profits wisely for continued prosperity. Will I continue to ride a Harley at age 62? Sure I will but I was riding them before they became cool. I am not a dentist looking for a safe walk on the wild side or a movie star acquiring the in-bauble of the day. The Evolution motorcycle saved the Hog's bacon but a new savior is now required.

Harley Davidson

Donny is the Winner of the 2012 International Book Awards. Donny Petersen offers the real deal in performing your Harley-Davidson Twin Cam. Graphics, pictures, and charts guide the reader on a sure-footed journey to a thorough H-D Twin Cam performance understanding. Petersen's insight makes technical issues understandable even for the novice. Donny

simply explains what unfailingly works in performing the Twin Cam. This is the second volume of Petersen's long-awaited Donny's Unauthorized Technical Guide to Harley Davidson 1936 to Present. This twelve-volume series by the dean of motorcycle technology examines the theory, design, and practical aspects of Twin Cam performance. Donny studied privately with Harley-Davidson engineers, having worked on Harleys for over 35 years. He founded Toronto's Heavy Duty Cycles in 1974, North America's premier motorcycle shop. Donny has ridden hundreds of performed Shovels, Evos, and Twin Cams across four continents doing all of his own roadside repairs. He has acquired his practical knowledge the hard way. Donny has the privilege of sharing his performance secrets the easy way. Donny will walk you through detailed performing procedures like headwork, turbo-supercharging, nitrous, big-inch Harleys and completing simple hop-up procedures like air breathers, exhausts, and ignition modifications. Donny Petersen feels honored to share the wealth of his motorcycle knowledge and technical expertise.

Harley-Davidson(R) CVO(tm) Motorcycles

Who was the first person to ride a motorcycle? How did they come up with idea? Who makes the fastest motorcycle? This "Innovation in Transportation" book, Motorcycles, takes a look at the people and creative ideas that have changed the way we think about Motorcycles.

Tractor and Gas Engine Review

Join motorcycle enthusiast, writer, and journeyman machinist Bob Tyson as he highlights vintage Harley-Davidson motorcycles in Harley Davidson Memories: The Golden Age of Motorcycling. Born into a family rich in Harley-Davidson history, Tyson tells their stories as well as others' accounts and adventures from the Golden Years of motorcycling. With a foreword written by Jay Leno, this unique book features a large collection of photographs--some never-before-published--and Harley-Davidson advertisements from the early 1900s. So sit back and enjoy the ride of your life on these antique bikes.

Harley-Davidson Since 1965

Art of the Harley-Davidson Motorcycle - Deluxe Edition

This dynamic volume chronicles the design and development of the Evolution engine and the machines it powers. Told through firsthand accounts from engineers and designers, this story goes beyond the new engine to Harley-Davidson's shift

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to a more nostalgic look. The book also covers the softtail suspension that has the appearance of 1940's-era suspension while providing a smooth and comfortable ride. Field taps into how Harley-Davidson transformed the motorcycle of choice for outlaws and outcasts into a cultural icon for affluent excitement.

Legendary Motorcycles

This book illustrates and describes the correct parts, finishes, and options for all Knuckleheads, from the 1936 debut through the 1947 bikes, the last year of production.

Harley-Davidson

Harley-Davidson: words that evoke the open American road and the 'Made in America' tradition like no others. The sweeping chopper handlebars, the distinctive throaty 'potato potato' roar of the engine and the unmistakable logo are all emblems recognized the world over. This book expertly ties together the mechanical evolution of the Harley's engines – from the earliest motorized pedal bicycles to the iconic heavyweight twin cylinder V-engines we know and love today – and the social history of the brand's phenomenal rise in the twentieth century, as innovative survivor of the Great Depression, supplier of the military during both World Wars and enduring symbol of freedom and rebellion in movies such as 'Easy Rider'. It is fully illustrated with pictures of the bikes and those who have ridden them as well as beautiful examples of H-D's distinctive design aesthetic in advertising and collectibles.

Harley-Davidson Knucklehead

How to Power Tune Harley Davidson 1340 Evolution Engines

Chronicled here for the first time, Harley-Davidson's exclusive CVO models are pure eye candy.

Motorcycles

The Wankel Rotary Engine

Go on a 60-year ride with Harley-Davidson's Sportster Things got a little weird in the American motorcycle industry after

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World War II. People hungered for new motorcycles, buying just about everything manufacturers could build. But on rare occasions a manufacturer produced a machine that nobody wanted. Such was the case with the Harley-Davidson Model K. The Model K had most of the features buyers wanted in a modern machine, like hand-operated clutches, foot-operated shifters, and cool-running aluminum heads, but it lacked perhaps the most important technological upgrade: a modern overhead-valve valve-train design. The Model K retained the antiquated side-valve design because of arcane AMA racing rules written when Harley-Davidson and Indian competed head-to-head on American racetracks, but by 1952 Indian was on its last legs. This should have made the Model K a massive sales success. What nobody counted on was the British bike invasion. Thanks to their modern overhead-valve engines, the lightweight British bikes humiliated the side-valve Harleys on the track and on the street. Upgrades to the Model K didn't help; Harley finally relented and introduced a new overhead-valve middleweight for the 1957 model year. Dubbed the Sportster, it was everything the Model K was not. More importantly, it was faster than the British competition. Thus began the Sportster's sixty-year reign. Harley-Davidson Sportster: Sixty Years tells the complete Sportster story. Noted Sportster expert Allen Girdler covers all the bikes--the XLCH, Caf_ Racer, XR1000, XLX, 883, Iron, Forty-Eight, Seventy-Two, and Nightster--that have made the Sportster one of the most iconic motorcycles on earth.

The Harley-Davidson Motor Company

A celebration of a classic motorcycle features more than one hundred color photographs of old, used, and customized stock that demonstrate the progression of a notable symbol in American culture.

Harley Davidson

Presents in text and photographs the history of the Harley-Davidson company and product.

The Complete Harley-Davidson

Cruise through this collection of Harley-Davidson's most iconic motorcycles!

Harley Davidson Memories

What happens when a company's brand needs more than a face-lift? Author Clyde Fessler, former Harley-Davidson vice president of marketing and business development, takes you along for a ride through a complete brand overhaul. By examining the core principles of brand identity, development, and extension, Fessler shows how these ideas—paired with

his unique “problems are in the office, solutions are in the field” leadership style—helped reestablish Harley as one of the most enduring and identifiable brands in the world. In *Rebuilding the Brand*, you will:

- Explore the six key components of building and maintaining a powerful brand: brand experience, brand extension, brand association, brand consistency, brand welfare, and brand team.
- Discover the power of “turning left” when the competition turns right and why breaking away from the pack will keep you at the center of customers' attention.
- Learn how the traction of turning negatives into positives will help you gain powerful marketing momentum.

Donny's Unauthorized Technical Guide to Harley Davidson 1936 to Present

The Harley-Davidson Story: Tales from the Archives is a fascinating, visually driven overview of the motor company's rich story, created in cooperation with the Harley-Davidson Museum. The story of Harley-Davidson is a classic American tale of spirit, invention, and the right idea at the right time. From its beginning in a small Milwaukee shed in 1903, William Harley and his cousins, the Davidson brothers, set in motion what would eventually become the world's most iconic motorcycle company. While other motorcycle companies rose and fell through the teens and 1920s, Harley went from strength to strength, whether introducing its first V-twin motor or dominating race tracks across America. The Milwaukee Miracle even prospered during WWII, building war bikes for the armed forces. By the 1950s, they'd buried their last American-built competitor, Indian, and gained a hold over the US market that they maintain to this day. A remarkable story deserves a remarkable space to recount it. Such is the Harley-Davidson Museum in Milwaukee, which opened in 2009. Harley-Davidson partnered with Motorbooks to create this book relaying Harley-Davidson's story, as told through the museum's displays and archive assets.

Harley-Davidson Motor Company

Harley-Davidson Evolution Motorcycles

Because asphalt is not enough--experience the Harley-Davidson lifestyle close up, which will also take you on the beach, the ice, or on steep walls An informative book about the motorcycle brand that is also a plea for freedom (not just) on two wheels

Donny's Unauthorized Technical Guide to Harley-Davidson, 1936 to Present

Valuable information on Harley-Davidson motorcycles, including the Sportster, the Shovelhead- and Evolution-engined

bikes, as well as competition, police, Aermacchi, and Buell models. Packed with information on where and how to find these machines, how to identify rare models, and how to figure out what your machine is worth. Girdler offers a mini-history of each model, and explains why the model exists and what its role was in Harley-Davidson's line-up. Covers all models built 1965-98, plus performance ratings. Includes 5-Star rating system.

The Harley-Davidson Motor Company

The popular how-to series with full color photography, fresh designs, step-by-step instructions, more practical and easy-to-use content, and written by the top experts in the industry. In the mid-1990s, fuel injection was available on only a handful of exotic, high-dollar European motorcycles. Today it is the predominant motorcycle technology. Despite its prevalence, very few motorcyclists understand fuel injection. "Motorcycle Fuel Injection Handbook dissects its mysteries, thoroughly explaining the technology from its origins through its subsequent development and examines ways to modify the technology for optimum performance. Systems from all the major manufacturers are included as are aftermarket products. "Motorcycle Fuel Injection Handbook discusses remapping tips, racing bike systems, and future development. It is the ultimate resource for those who want to master the most important motorcycle technology of our time.

Harley-Davidson Motorcycles

It's 1901 and a guy named Harley has an idea. Put an engine on a bicycle. What? Outside his door, carts are still pulled by horses and autos are a rare sight. It's 1908 and a Harley-Davidson motorcycle sets a record by getting 188 miles to a gallon of gas. It's 1909 and the company introduces something new to its line: a V-twin cylinder engine. Fast forward to the 21st century, and the technical innovation hasn't stopped. But there's a lot more than just choppers in the mix. Examples: The Harley-Davidson racing team adds a seventeen-year-old girl to the roster. 250,000 people help celebrate Harley's 100th anniversary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. And a museum devoted to the company's products opens up. Clearly, this is a company unlike any other. How did Harley do it? How did it go from making motorcycles to creating a Harley experience that puts hundreds of thousands of people aged sixteen to one hundred on the road traveling to events each year where they can meet company officials and other Harley riders? That's what this book is all about. In addition, the author offers special features that include a look at the colorful people associated with Harley, interesting trivia, a Harley-Davidson time line, a focus on products, a look at how the company treats its workers, what its detractors have to say, and where the company is headed. Honda may match Harley-Davidson for quality and perhaps innovation, but no one has matched the company for its ability to create 'buzz marketing' and turn casual riders into unofficial sales people. Harley-Davidson, it turns out, isn't just in the motorcycle business. As its mission statement points out, it's in the business of fulfilling dreams. This book documents how Harley-Davidson is a rare company in other ways: Its loyal workforce, for one thing, is guided by

principles like trust and respect for the individual. For another, the company has made a superb effort to keep jobs in the United States, when it would be far cheaper and easier to use offshore labor. Teetering on the brink of bankruptcy in the early 1980s, Harley has roared back to capture the hearts of riders the world over, including the million-plus members of the Harley Owners Group (members are known, naturally, as HOGs). Harley-Davidson—a company that changed, and is changing, the world.

Harley-Davidson

Motorcycle Fuel Injection Handbook

Many people modify their Harley-Davidson engines—and find the results disappointing. What they might not know—and what this book teaches—is that emphasizing horsepower over torque, the usual approach, makes for a difficult ride. Author Bill Rook has spent decades perfecting the art of building torque-monster V-twin Harley engines. Here he brings that experience to bear, guiding motorcycle enthusiasts through the modifications that make a bike not just fast but comfortable to ride. With clear, step-by-step instructions, his book shows readers how to get high performance out of their Harleys—and enjoy them, too.

How to Build a Harley-Davidson Torque Monster

Now updated to include the latest motorcycles, this definitive Harley-Davidson history is filled with "inside" information and valuable data. Features Harley-Davidson's entire production history, with special information for restoring any of the classic models. 284 illustrations, 14 in color.

Harley-Davidson

The history of Dinky Toys, Corgi Toys and other makers of diecast metal cars has been covered in great detail in many books and magazine articles; by contrast, information on plastic toy cars is much harder to come by. Yet collectors are taking an increasing interest in plastic cars, particularly as the rise in the value of early diecast and tinsplate models has put many of these out of reach of the average enthusiast. For the first time, this book aims to provide a systematic introduction to the vast number of plastic cars made during the 1950s and 1960s. Years of research have enabled the author to uncover many fascinating facts about the companies who made these toys. Some were major players in the toy industry, like Tri-ang and Brimtoy in the UK, Norev and Minialuxe in France, Gama and Siku in Germany and Ingap in Italy. Many others, though,

were more obscure, and some only modeled one car before disappearing without trace. More than 250 photographs of these toys are included, with the emphasis being on the most colorful and realistic examples, all of them based on real vehicles of the period. In many cases, the toy is pictured alongside its original box, the presence of which can often double the value of the item to a collector. Readers will also find a handy glossary listing the names of many of the companies who were active in this field in the 1950s and 1960s, together with some evocative period advertisements and catalogue illustrations. If you thought that a model car had to be made of diecast metal to be worth collecting, this book might change your mind . . . With 250 color photos, extensive appendices and identification aids this is a must have for any collector or dealer.

Plastic Toy Cars of the 1950s and 1960s

Motorcycles are mythic, far more than mere transportation, but some are in a class of their own, truly legendary machines. There are the Triumphs: James Dean's, Marlon Brando's in *The Wild Ones*, the one Steve McQueen took over the fence in *The Great Escape*. There are Evel Knievel's and Elvis's Harleys, the Easy Rider Stars 'n' Stripes bike, and T. E. Lawrence's Brough Superior SS100; Von Dutch's Condor, Craig Vetter's Mystery Ship, and Mike Hailwood's Honda RC162. These are just some of the machines that have made motorcycle history, and that make this book a feast for the eyes and a fact-filled odyssey for the motorcycle aficionado. Illustrated with commissioned photographs and historical images, the book profiles the bikes--not just the models but the actual motorcycles--that have achieved legendary status in the last century. Their stories, told here in detail for the first time, make up the story of the motorcycle in American culture. See Motorbooks author Basem Wasef interviewed by Jay Leno on JayLenosGarage.com: <http://www.jaylenosgarage.com/video/jays-book-club-basem-wasef/1168295/>

The Harley-Davidson Book

Celebrate the 80th anniversary of the engine that changed the motorcycle world. Motorcycle technology lagged far behind automotive technology since the earliest days of the internal-combustion engine. All that changed in 1936 when Harley-Davidson introduced the Model EL. For the first time ever, a company was manufacturing a high-performance overhead-valve engine for the masses. And what an engine it was -- in addition to bringing state-of-the-art technology to the motorcycling world -- a work of art. Because of the shape of its rocker covers, the engine was given a nickname to match its looks: the Knucklehead. The technology used in this engine was so advanced that it laid the foundation for every future Harley-Davidson motorcycle, including the current models built in the 21st century. To this day every cruiser style motorcycle still adheres to the shape of that original Knucklehead. *Harley-Davidson Knucklehead: Eighty Years* tells the entire Knucklehead story, from the very first overhead-valve V-twin Harley produced for the public through the post-war

models, continuing right up until today, when aftermarket manufacturers reproduce complete Knucklehead crate engines because of its continuing popularity.

WALNECK'S CLASSIC CYCLE TRADER, AUGUST 2001

Arranged chronologically, presents a history of every major motorcycle model produced by the legendary company since 1903

Harley Davidson

If you're looking for ways to keep up with the pack - or blow right past them - this book has 101 of them. Boost the performance of your Harley-Davidson's Twin-Cam engine with 101 projects broken out by each specific aspect of the motorcycle, including engine, suspension, transmission, exhaust, brakes, and body. Hundreds of photos and diagrams take you step-by-step through each project making it a breeze to keep other riders in your rearview mirror.

Rebuilding the Brand

A complete practical guide on how to get more power with reliability from Harley's Evolution V-twin engine without wasting money on modifications that don't work and over-specced parts. Includes cylinder head planing and porting; valves, valve springs and valve seats; carburetors, camshafts and followers; crankshaft; connecting rods; pistons; engine balancing; flywheel; main bearings - and much, much more.

101 Harley-Davidson Twin Cam Performance Projects

Conceived in the 1930s, simplified and successfully tested in the 1950s, the darling of the automotive industry in the early 1970s, then all but abandoned before resurging for a brilliant run as a high-performance powerplant for Mazda, the Wankel rotary engine has long been an object of fascination and more than a little mystery. A remarkably simple design (yet understood by few), it boasts compact size, light weight and nearly vibration-free operation. In the 1960s, German engineer Felix Wankel's invention was beginning to look like a revolution in the making. Though still in need of refinement, it held much promise as a smooth and powerful engine that could fit in smaller spaces than piston engines of similar output. Auto makers lined up for licensing rights to build their own Wankels, and for a time analysts predicted that much of the industry would convert to rotary power. This complete and well-illustrated account traces the full history of the engine and its use in various cars, motorcycles, snowmobiles and other applications. It clearly explains the working of the engine and the

technical challenges it presented—the difficulty of designing effective and durable seals, early emissions troubles, high fuel consumption, and others. The work done by several companies to overcome these problems is described in detail, as are the economic and political troubles that nearly killed the rotary in the 1970s, and the prospects for future rotary-powered vehicles.

Harley-Davidson Sportster

Ever since the original appearance of their first single-cylinder engine, followed by their twin cylinders, the Harley-Davidson has distinguished itself by imposing its models, owing to their trustworthiness and endurance, and then because of how many competitions they won. The new Harley-Davidsons have become motorcycles offering modern performances, but which have succeeded in conserving the spirit of the brand and, above all, that special Harley-Davidson character. All you need to do is climb into the saddle and rev up a Harley-Davidson to discover a new motorcycling universe, where the concept of pleasure reveals its full meaning. And this is the universe that this book invites you to discover, through the history of the brand's main models, embodying nearly 110 years of motorcycling adventures, touching upon tourism, sport, customization, and the simple and outright passion for motorcycles.

Harley-Davidson Sportster Performance Handbook

A handsome, informative overview of Harley Davidson's 100 plus years of style and innovation.

Harley-Davidson

Harley-Davidson: A name that brings a smile to anyone who loves American motorcycles. For 100 years, that name has been synonymous with freedom, open roads, raw power and good times, and the Milwaukee motorcycles have spawned legions of fans world-wide who are fiercely loyal to their V-twin-powered machines and the company that built them. Since 1903, the Harley-Davidson Motor Company has endured wars, recessions, depressions, strikes, buyouts and buybacks, foreign competition, and ever-changing markets. It has survived all that, and thrived. Harley is now stronger than it's ever been, and shows no sign of slowing down.

WALNECK'S CLASSIC CYCLE TRADER, JUNE 2000

For Harley-Davidson aficionados, the very name Sportster conjures an image of a fire-breathing mechanical beast scorching the world's tarmac image the Sportster itself often does not live up to. Straight from the factory, in its standard form, the

Sportster routinely proves an entry-level motorcycle providing a relatively tame ride. This book aims to change all that and to show every Sportster rider how to free the beast in his or her bike. With expert, detailed advice on the proper mechanical massaging and plenty of helpful diagrams and photos this updated, third edition of Buzz Buzzelli's best-selling handbook shows how the Sportster can be transformed into the superbike of old. Including a history of the Sportster from its birth in 1957 to the recent introduction of a new engine (only the third in its long life), this book has everything it takes to open up the gates of hell and give the Sportster its head.

Original Harley-Davidson Knucklehead

It's no wonder descriptions of riding often resemble the words of Asian mystics and Jedi knights: The ride causes your senses to open completely. You experience only the present, the now. Readers who prefer revving a Harley to meditating in a Zen garden know that biking is just as contemplative as chanting in the lotus position. Here, philosopher-bikers explore this seeming dichotomy, expounding on intriguing questions such as: Why are the motorcycles the real stars of Easy Rider? What would Marx and Foucault say about Harley riders' tight leather garb? What's it like to live a dual life as a philosophy professor who wrenches his own 1965 Electra Glide? Would Jesus hang out in a biker bar or a coffeehouse? And more importantly, would He ride a Harley or a Honda? These witty, provocative essays give readers and riders a new appreciation of what it means to become one with the road.

The Harley-Davidson Story

A special anniversary The motorcycle that every easy rider craves A book so popular it's in reprint even before it's released. This is sure to zoom out of stores! Happy 100th birthday, Harley Davidson! Celebrate a century of the most exciting motorcycles ever made in 448 exciting, thrill-inducing pages of color photographs. With images of every Harley ever produced and sold, and complete specs on each one, this beautiful, oversized volume will rev cycle lovers' motors on high. Beginning with the first model made in 1903 (which zipped along at a grand 25 miles per hour), there's information on the motorcycle's designation, engine, bore & stroke, displacement, torque, Bhp, and top speed. In sparkling images, see 1907's Silent Gray Fellow, with its bicycle-like frame; move on to the post-war Hydra Glide, aimed at a totally new market; the Dyna Glide, born in 1947 and existing in all its shiny glory till 1996; the Evo Sportster, offered in two engine sizes; and right up to today's sleek, fast cycles. There are also brochure covers, countless close-ups of smaller details, and a wealth of other fascinating facts.

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