

BMW 1959 R26 245CC 1 CYL OHV 3006



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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

BMW 1959 R26 245 cc OHV single Frame & Engine # 343183

Built to the same exemplary standards as the Bavarian company's famous flat-twins, the single-cylinder BMW first appeared in pre-war days.

Indeed, BMW's first new post-war model was a single-cylinder design - the 250cc R24 - which arrived in 1948. By 1955, BMW's quarter-litre luxury lightweight had evolved into the R26 that boasted a more powerful engine, Earles-type leading-link front fork and a larger fuel tank among numerous improvements. Considerably more expensive than other 250s, the R26 was a relative rarity outside Germany, appealing to mature, discerning riders for whom quality of construction counted more than mere outright performance. The engine had square bore x stroke dimensions of 68mm and delivered 15HP.

The R26 had a top speed of more than 125 km and was produced without major changes between 1955 and 1960, when it was succeeded by the R27.

The R26/27 series of shaft-drive single-cylinder touring machines were built to the same exacting standards as the twins.

Sharing many components with the twins made for long-term ease of use and an excellent spares availability. This pleasant, high quality touring motorcycle is fitted with the comfortable Pagusa saddle and handlebar turn signals and is in tip- top condition.















