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EXCELSIOR 1926 3,45 HP 350 CC 1 CYL OHV



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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Excelsior 1926 “ 3.45 h.p.” 345 cc OHV JAP frame# D 1855 engine# 10/T/53874

The Coventry firm of Bayliss and Thomas was as old as the two-wheeler industry, trading from the solid-tyre bicycle era.

Early manufacturers in both the motorcycle and the car fields, they were an established firm well before the Great War: in 1913 an 800 cc single cylinder motorcycle was brought out, the biggest production single ever to be made.

In common with many manufacturers, the company used proprietary engines made by Blackburne and JAP.

Around 1915 Bayliss and Thomas christened their products “ British Excelsior” to avoid confusion with the American Excelsior.

In the twenties the Midlands company of Reginald Walker and his son Eric, a racing enthusiast, took over the firm and moved the plant to Birmingham.

This sports model is powered by a potent JAP sports engine with bore/stroke dimensions of 70x90 mm.

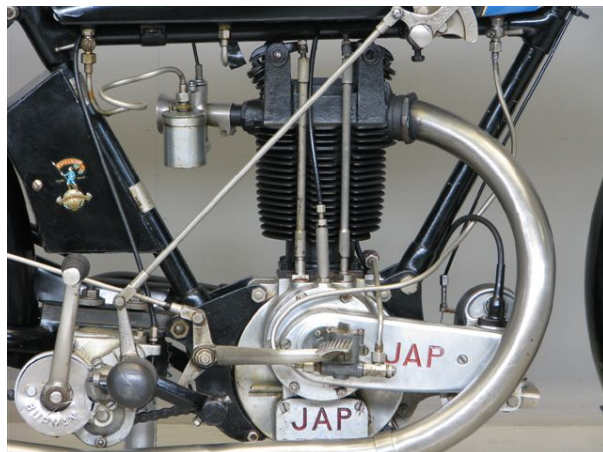
Mechanical lubrication is catered for by a Best & Lloyd pump, forks are Druid, gearbox is Burman 3 speed.

A Binks carb provides the correct mixture and the eye of the beholder is pleased by the modern saddle tank.

The machine has internal expanding brakes and is an older restoration.



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