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HARLEY DAVIDSON 1942 FL COMBINATION 1200CC 2 CYL OHV 2606



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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Harley-Davidson 1942 42FL 1200cc 2 cyl ohv Frame # 42FL4240 Engine # 42FL4240

Harley Davidson made a major departure from their conservative, but very sound motorcycle designs when they introduced the overhead valve "EL" 'knucklehead' in 1936.

The EL featured an overhead valve, 61 cubic inch powered bike.

With increased horsepower and bold styling changes, the motorcycle quickly earns the nickname of "Knucklehead," due to the shape of its rocker boxes. They sold just 152 of them in 1936, out of a planned production of 1,600; and only 126 in 1937 so it was a slow success for Harley. The side-valve V series big flat-head twins that were the company's main offering were very robust in design, but were modest in performance and still featured total loss lubrication.

The knucklehead offered full circulating dry sump lubrication, and an overhead valve hemispherical cylinder head design with high compression options.

Like many new models, the 1936 ones were plagued with a few problems, such as top end oil leaks, and insufficient braking, given the machine's potential speed.

The knucklehead led to the eventual downfall of Indian, who never shed their loyalty to the old-fashioned, charming, but less efficient side-valve design on their big Chief.

This example is the model "FL", which is 74ci or 1200cc.

The "FL" also features springer front suspension.

The rear wheel had no suspension, giving this type of motorcycle the nickname "hard tail".

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This desirable 42FL 74 cubic inch, 1200cc is a good running, reliable and well presented motorcycle.



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