

### SAROLEA 1925 23H 500CC 1 CYL SV 2611



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#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Saroléa 1925 500 cc S.V. "23 H frame # 14830 engine # 12521

The firm was established in 1850 at Herstal (Liege) as an arms factory by Joseph Saroléa. In 1892 the production of bicycles was started. Joseph died in 1894 and under the management of his sons the company grew bigger and bigger.

In the early years of the new century the company started to develop motorized bicycles and soon Saroléa was a force to reckon with: around 1907 the firm employed some 200 labourers and had 4000 m2 of production facilities.

In the early years of the century Saroléas were sold in Britain under the "Kerry" brand. Both singles and V twins were made and the firm supplied engines to a number of firms in several countries.

In turn, Saroléa used a number of British components such as Sturmey Archer hubs, countershaft gearboxes and AMAC carburettors. In the 20s the firm got successfully involved with long distance runs, reliability trials and hill climbs.

The 1925 range consisted of the 350 cc sv Model 25E, the 500 cc sv Model 23H, the 350 ohv Model 25F Supersport and the top of the range 500 cc ohv Model 23K Supersport.

This practical vintage touring machine has been restored and is a real eye catcher.

Note the non-original but very practical "daytime lighting set".

Bore and stroke dimensions are  $80.5 \times 97$  mm, the weight is 110 kilos and the top speed was given as 90 kilometers an hour.















