

SUNBEAM 1926 MODEL 5 LIGHT SOLO 500CC 1CYL SV



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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Sunbeam 1926 499 cc side valve "Light Solo" Model 5 frame# 08861 engine# 281/16387S

Although vintage Sunbeam side valve machines look very much the same to many people, there were actually three different 500cc models in the mid-twenties: the standard 85x88 machine was marketed as an all purpose machine and was suitable for sidecar work.

The "light Solo" had the same engine dimensions but sports handlebars and footrests instead of footboards. The reciprocating engine parts were lighter than those of the standard model, giving more power to the engine. " A favourite choice of the clubman" as the catalogue put it.

For the real speed lover there was the "Longstroke,", with engine dimensions of 79x105.5 mm. This practical example of the famous make has internal expanding brakes and mechanical oiling, both introduced for the 1925 season.

Of course the chains are enclosed in the gentlemanlike Sunbeam manner. This machine has full acetylene lighting , bulb horn, André steering damper and a top-class Bonniksen speedometer and is well restored.















