

SUNBEAM 1927 MODEL 9 500CC 1 CYL OHV 2811



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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Sunbeam 1927 Model 9 493 cc OHV frame # D 1603 engine # L 1550

The first OHV production Sunbeams were listed as the model 8 (350cc) and 9 (500cc) in 1924. The model 8 with bore/stroke dimensions of 70x90 mm was an excellent sporty tourer, but stayed somewhat in the shadow of its more glamorous big brother, the 80x98 mm Model 9.

Initially both models were marketed as competition machines; no kick starter was fitted and the catalogue remarked "These OHV Sunbeams are built essentially to attain maximum speeds.

"From model year 1927 the Models 80 an 90 took over the competition aspirations and the Model 9 soon got a reputation as a very fast and very reliable sports tourer.

It stayed in production till 1939.

From 1932 on a 600 cc version (Model 9A) was marketed, with engine dimensions of 88x98 mm, giving 599 cc. The 1927 catalogue description mentions: "This model has been improved in many ways since last season. The engine lubrication has been simplified, the overhead rocking gear has been redesigned, giving greatly increased bearing surfaces.

A luggage carrier has been added and shock absorbers incorporated in the front forks. (...)". This vintage high-class sports machine is the single port version and comes complete with Andre steering damper and Lucas magdyno plus headlamp.

She has been restored a number of years ago and is an impressive runner.















