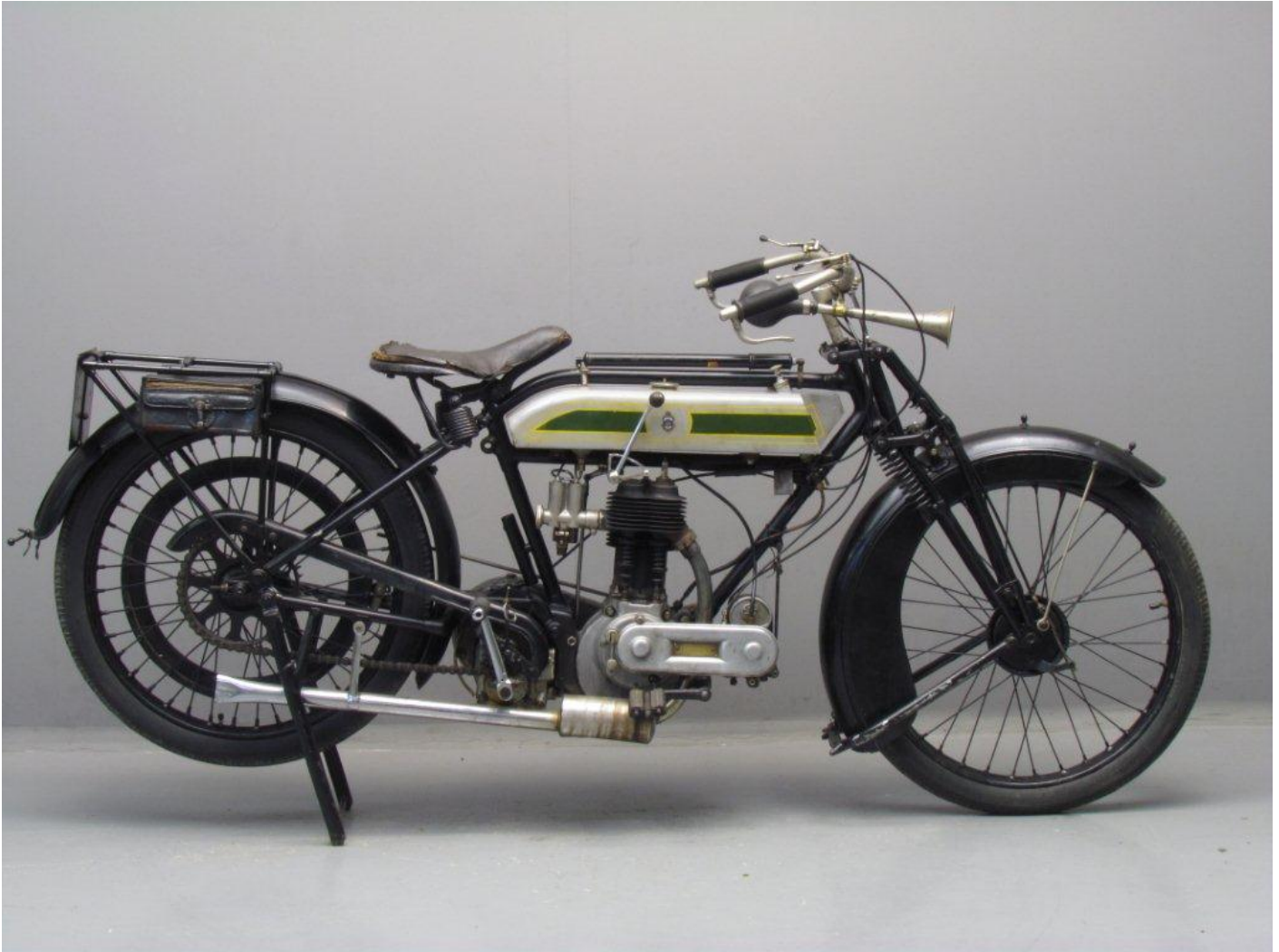




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TRIUMPH 1922 SD 550CC 1 CYL SV



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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The SD (Spring Drive) is in fact a somewhat modernised version of the famous model H, which had grown out of the "Trusty" veteran Triumph.

It was catalogued for the years 1920 to 1927 and is a very solidly built machine.

By the mid-twenties belt drive was losing its appeal to many motorcyclists, so Triumph designed a model with chain secondary drive.

The primary chain is protected by a well-engineered aluminium case and runs in an oil bath to minimize maintenance of chain and clutch. The powerful 550 cc engine (bore x stroke =85x97) has lots of torque.

The SD is equipped with Triumph's own (first) 3-speed gearbox.

The SD was popular as a solo mount, but really came into its own when coupled with a sidecar and used as family transport.

Although the engine is basically that used for the Model H the engine for 1920 had a stronger big-end and there were changed cam profiles. Fuel tank changes meant that its capacity increased from 1½ gallons to 2 gallons, and there were two types of the latter.

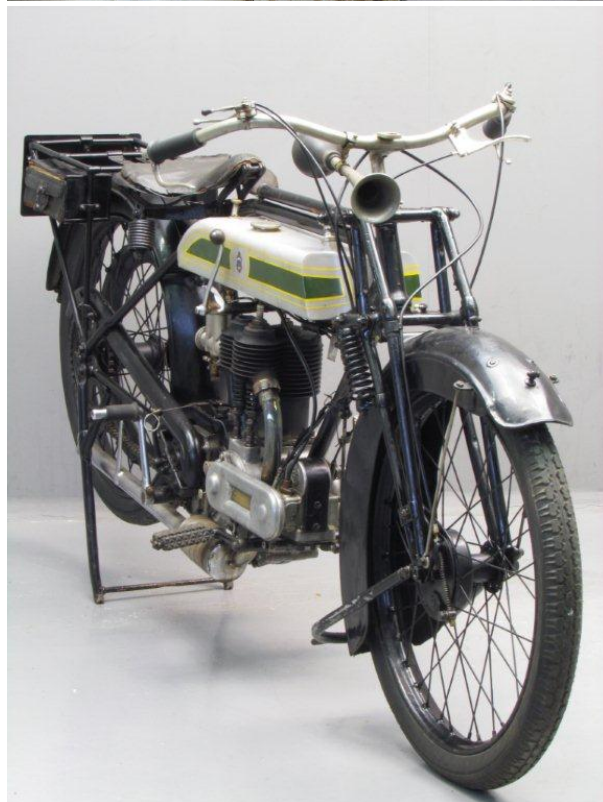
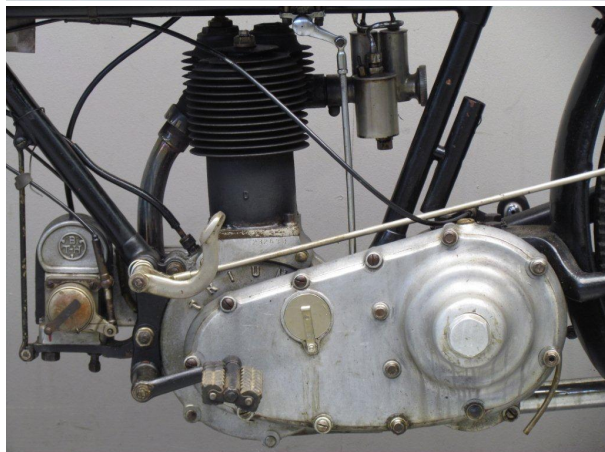
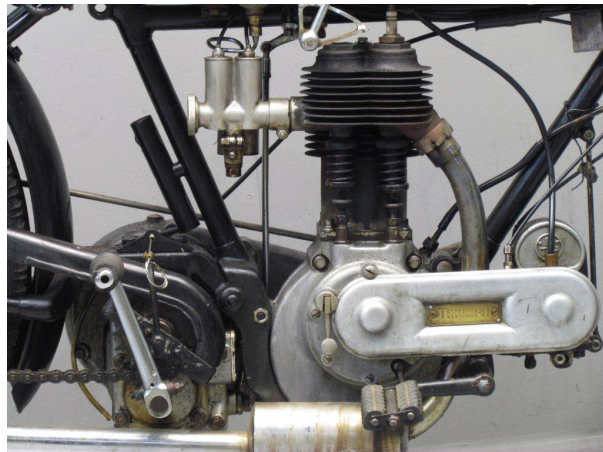
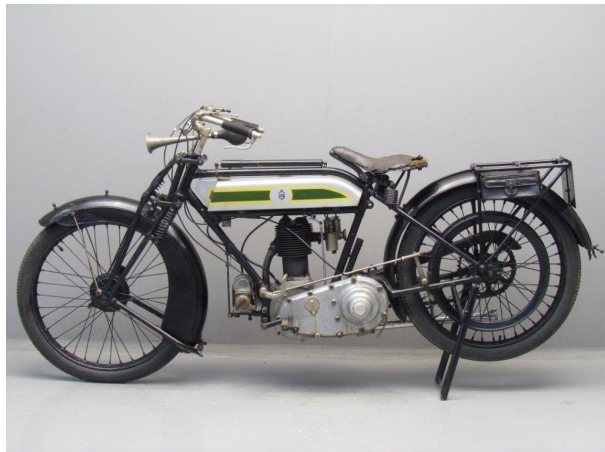
Triumph specialist Peter Cornelius estimates that some 16,000 machines were produced. Peter can supply a detailed information booklet on the SD, see www.triumph.gen.nz

This older restoration SD is an interesting example of a vintage British machine in the popular 500cc class. It's a good runner.

Triumph 1922 SD 550 cc zijklep frame # 323255 motor # 232633



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