

ULTIMA 1922 31/4 HP 1 CYL 400 CC SV



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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Ultima 1922 400cc side valve single "3 ¼ HP" frame#473 engine#1275 serie EB

The Ultima company of E. Billion existed between 1908 and 1958.

All that time the address of the company stayed unchanged: 24-26 Rue du Commandant-Faurax, Lyon, France.

Proprietor E. Billion manufactured parts for a number of other makes such as Deronzière, Automoto and Hirondelle.

From 1920 on Billion produced machines almost entirely made in his own factory under the "Ultima" name: even the carburettor is "Ultima"! The engine had bore and stroke of 70x100 mm and the machine could be ordered as Type A, with direct drive and multiple plate clutch in the engine pulley or as Type B, with Ultima's own 2 speed gearbox.

The company claimed a top speed of 60-70 km/h and a petrol consumption of 3 litres per 100 km. Even a sidecar could be ordered with the machine, also made at the works of course.

Belt rear drive was standard till 1927.

Ultima became a popular make, mainly in rural French areas.

In the late twenties a V-twin was launched.

After WW2 the company concentrated on light two-stroke utility machines. This Type A machine is an impeccable restoration and is a real beauty to look at!















