



National Motorcycle Museum (207)

Wed, 20th Jul 2022

Estimate: £32000 - £35000 + Fees

1949 HRD Rapide Owned for 62 years

Registration No: LXF 121

Frame No: R3939

Engine No: F10RB/1/2039

CC: 1000

MOT: Exempt

- The current vendor has enjoyed this 1949 HRD Rapide outfit since 1960
 - Now fitted with a Watsonian sidecar so he could still use it
 - It has been upgraded to an Alton electric start, hills centre stand, and uprated clutch
 - Correct upper frame and engine numbers
 - Currently fitted with Mk1 Amal concentric carbs for better performance
 - All genuine parts are still with the machine and will go with it
 - It comes complete with a current V5C, continuation RF60 logbook
 - Not used for a couple of months and now drained of fuel
- Ever since the Series A's arrival in 1937, the Vincent V-Twin has been synonymous with design innovation, engineering excellence and superlative high performance. Philip Vincent's stress on appearance and performance is legendary. His machines bristled with innovative features including adjustable footrests, brake pedal, seat height and gearchange lever. Above all else it was the V-Twin's stupendous performance that captivated motorcyclists, whether they could afford one or not. With a top speed approaching 120mph and bettering it, in the Black Shadow's case, the Vincent V-Twin was the fastest road vehicle of its day.

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