

The Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum: 1940 Indian Four

Country: U.S.A.

Engine: Air cooled, inline four cylinder four stroke

Ignition: Edison Splitdorf magneto

Power Rating: 40 HP

Bore x Stroke: 2.75 x 3.25"

Displacement: 77.2 cu. inch (1,275cc)

Valves: Overhead inlet, side exhaust

Fuel System: Single Schebler carburetor

Transmission: Three speed, hand shift

Suspension: Front trailing link wih leaf spring, rear plunger

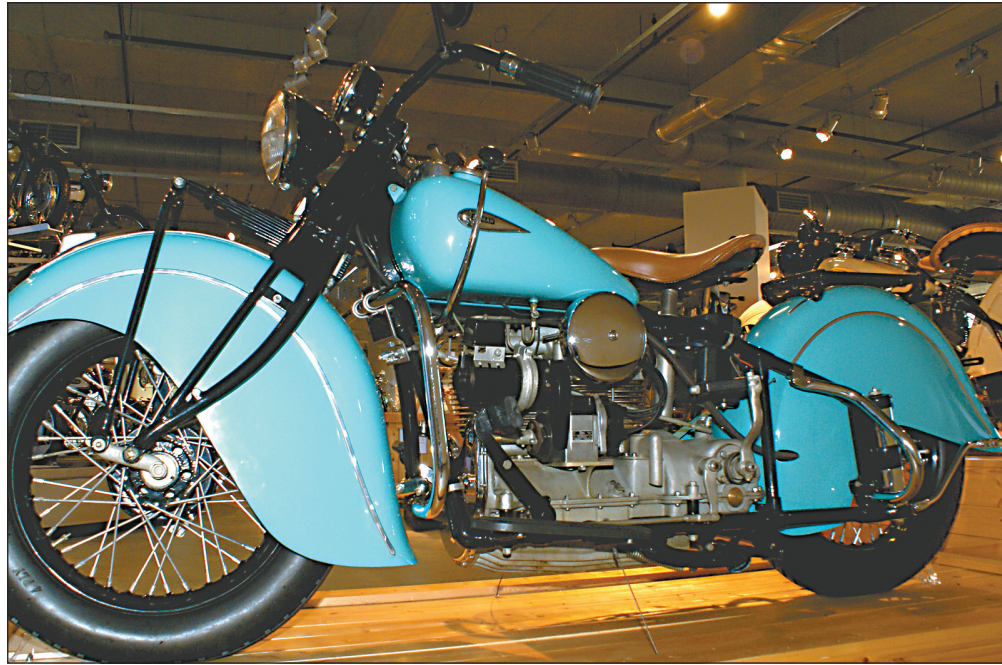
Brakes: Front and rear drum

Weight: 568 LB

Top Speed: 90 MPH

About the bike:

One could say that the Indian fours were the Cadillac of motorcycles as they were smooth and flexible, equally at home trickling through traffic or cruising down the highway. at & cu. inch they were one of the largest capacity motorcycles on the market. These feaures made them very popular with law enforcement agencies.



About the museum:

Birmingham, Alabama native George Barber modified, raced and maintained Porsches in the 1960's (63 first-place wins). He started collecting and restoring classic sports cars in 1989, but his interest soon turned to motorcycles. Barber recognized that there was not a museum which reflected the history of motorcycles from a global perspective. He wanted to preserve motorcycle history in the United States in a way that represents an international aspect and to supply an example of motorcycles that until then could only have been seen in books and magazines. This was the theme used in the mission and development of the Barber collection.

Visit the Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum in Birmingham, AL - home to the world's best motorcycle collection to see this vintage bike and more. The collection now has over 1200 vintage and modern motorcycles as well as a substantial collection of Lotus and other racecars. The collection is the largest of is considered the largest collection of its type in North American and possibly the world. There are approximately 600 of the 1200 motorcycles on display at any given time. These bikes range from 1902 to current-year production. The common street bike is represented, as well as rare one-off Gran Prix race machinery. There are currently 84 Harleys in the collection and growing rapidly. Bikes have been purchased from as far away as Australia, New Zealand, and Sweden, but also as close as down the street.

Admission rates are \$15 for Adults, \$10.00 for Children ages 4-12, and FREE for Children 3 and under.

The museum is operating hours are:

April 1 - September 30, Monday - Saturday 10am - 6pm, Sunday Noon - 6pm

October 1 - March 31, Monday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday Noon - 5pm

CLOSED MAJOR HOLIDAYS including New Year's Day, Easter, July 4th, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

The 5th Floor will be closed to the Public on March 27th and April 10th.

PLEASE NOTE APRIL 8, 9, 10, and 11, 2010. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VISIT THE MUSEUM UNLESS YOU HAVE BOUGHT AN IRL/ GRAND AM RACE TICKET. Museum Admission is in addition to the race ticket

Three times each year you will be required to have race tickets to enter the park. Museum admission is separate. Those events are: IRL/Grand Am, AMA Superbike and the Barber Vintage Festival The Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum is located at the 740 acre Barber Motorsports Park that includes a world class 2.38 mile racetrack. Visit www.barbermuseum.org for more info, operating hours and directions to the museum.

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