

1953 Norton International M40. First paint. Matching numbers (25.000 EUR)



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This very early, Featherbed frame 1953 Norton International is now available to buy. The Norton International needs no introduction. This particular Norton International does: It is the 3 th Featherbed International off the production line and remains in its original, first paint and chrome. The introduction of the Featherbed frame gave the OHC engines a new lease of line when introduced for the Manx in 1952 and for the roadgoing International in 1953.

Matching numbers for frame and engine. Original International gearbox specific to this machine with close ratios fitted.

All paint and chrome is original. The International has never been restored, never been repainted. I doubt the engine has ever been apart. The original and unmolested condition of this unique motorcycle is not to be repeated any time soon.

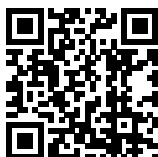
Polychromatic Grey with all original paint throughout and in immaculate condition with a lovely patina. The petrol tank panels are in a slightly different shade of grey, exactly as it was delivered in 1953. Not many modern restorations take this fact into account today.

The rims are of course the original Dunlop rims, with original paint and lining.

The speedo shows in miles and has a mere 4988 on the clock. I cannot guarantee that this is the actual mileage. Judging by the condition of the bike in all the photos and the fact that it is a 1953 model, it is a very low mileage bike. (and lack of any cracks in the engine parts) I think it is the actual mileage.

The Norton International is a superb ride, the Featherbed frame steers like it is on rails. You only feel it is a 500cc at top speed acceleration is brisk and it will easily follow, and outrun, modern traffic.

The original long neck, bronze Amal TT carb needs a bit of flicking when idling but otherwise works faultlessly. Starts first kick. Recently serviced with fresh engine and gearbox oil and a new Avon front tyre.



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