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Triumph are at the heart of the Classic British Motorcycle World, with the hallmark of any classic Triumph being its great performance, exceptional handling & stunning good looks. Triumph's Bonneville arrived at a time when motorcycle enthusiasts wanted style as well as power. The name Bonneville comes from the famous Bonneville Salt Flats in Utah, USA, and was chosen to celebrate the achievements of Texas-born racer Johnny Allen, and his record-breaking Triumph-powered Cee-Gar streamliner. The name was an inspired piece of marketing and with the striking two-tone paint finish, matching chrome mudguards and black cycle parts, the bike was the real deal. Based on the company's Triumph Tiger T110 the 'Bonnie' was very popular because its performance more than matched that of its rivals, but more so, because it was a much better looking bike than any of the others at the time.

This 1964, 650cc Triumph T120 Bonneville is from a generation of Triumph Twins designed by Edward Turner. First registered in September 1964 to its owner in Leeds. The frame and engine numbers are matching and it is a UK specification machine, not an American import. The bike is currently taxed as an Historic Vehicle so the road tax is free. It was taken off the road as a retirement restoration project in 1991, unfortunately the owner passed away before completion. In 2008 the restoration continued and it passed an MOT in May 2009 with a recorded 49 601 miles on the clock.

It is thought that the first owner carried out several technical updates to improve the performance - Twin Amal concentric carburettors as introduced by Triumph in 1966 and the 1988 front forks and twin leading shoe front brake. The rear wheel rim is 19 in. in place of the 18 in standard item. The fuel tank and mudguards have been repainted to a high standard and a new battery and electronic ignition has been fitted. It has a full M.O.T.