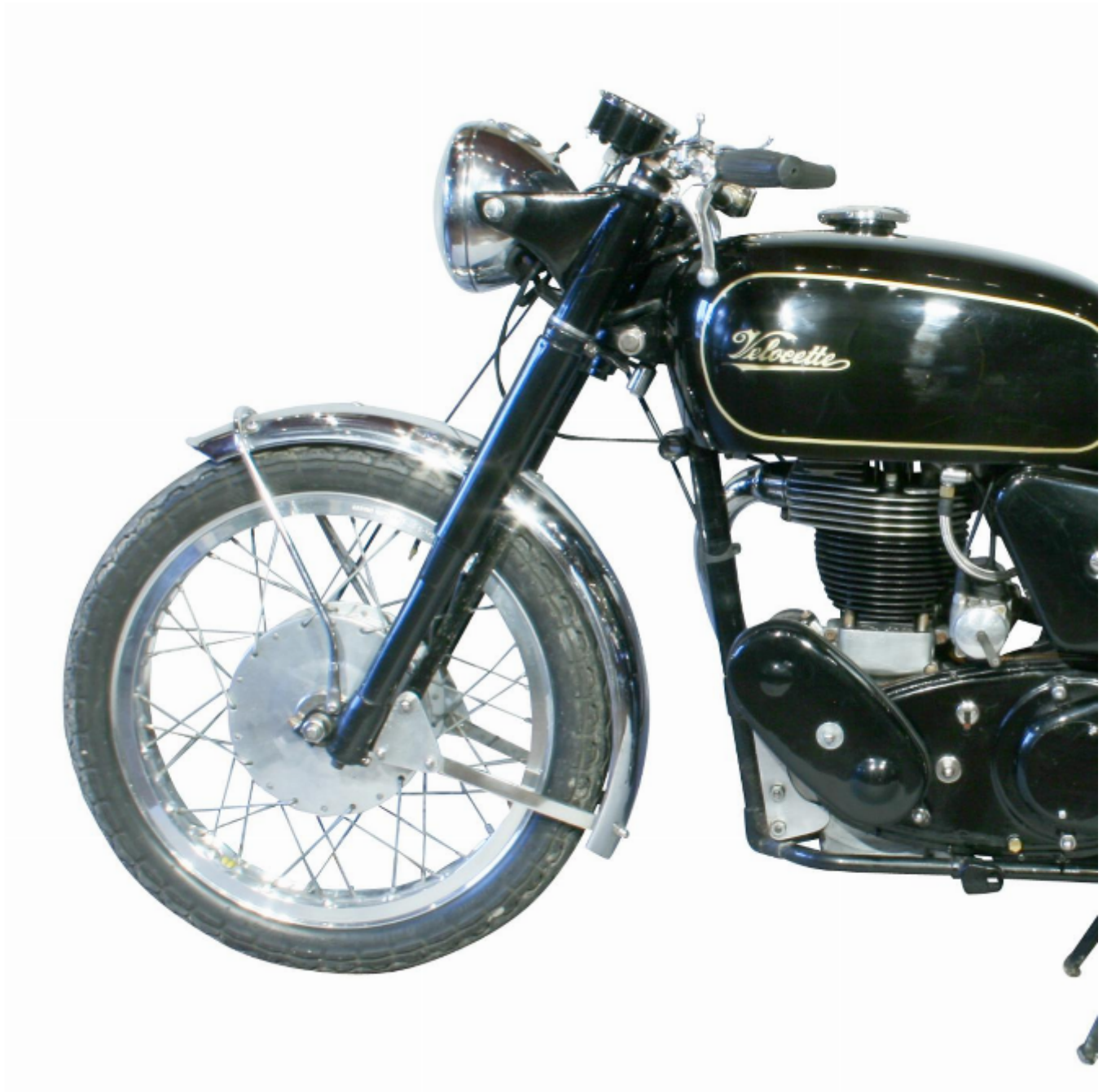




Velocette Venom Thruxton 500cc

Sold



## Description

1963 Velocette Venom Thrupton 500cc.

A wonderful 500cc Velocette Venom 'upgraded' to the Velocette Thrupton specifications. This was made possible as many parts in the Velocette range were interchangeable. The Velocette Thrupton, also referred to as the Venom Thrupton, was named after the Thrupton Race Circuit on a former wartime airfield in Hampshire. The Thrupton was a true racer, but for eligibility in endurance races such as the Thrupton 500 competing motorcycles had to be genuine production machines, the Velocette Thrupton was sold in a road-going version but it was really targeted at the racing fraternity. The Velocette Thrupton was a sporting motorcycle produced by Velocette with no more than 1,108 Thruptons being manufactured between 1965 and the collapse of the company in 1971.

This machine probably started live as a 350 Viper and was later upgraded to a 500 cc Venom Thrupton. The stove black enamel on the frame is of an excellent high quality finish and condition. The traditional black enamel on the tank is also very high quality and finished with gold lining and name transfers. The chrome on the mudguards is excellent as it is on the exhaust, although there has been a repair where the kick starter has caught it at some point. The sports seat is very comfortable and the bike is a treat to ride with the beautiful looks of the Thrupton Venom, but in a much more rideable fashion with the standard Venom gearing. The bike starts well, there is no smoke and it has the lovely deep exhaust note so typical of 500cc Velocettes. It has clearly been a well loved machine and is in good working order, tyres are both hardly worn Avon Roadrunners, gearbox and clutch are all A1, handling is spot on and brakes are good. Side & centre stands are fitted and are in good order.

This bike comes with a V5C registration document. Date of registration is 22nd Feb 1963, registration number 963 EYX which is an original London registration. Frame & engine numbers both match the V5C and are original factory stampings. Frame RS13893, engine VR 1470. The bike is registered as 499cc and is Historic Class (free) road tax. There is an MOT until Sept 2016. The current mileage is 07171 most probably mileage covered since rebuild.

NOTE: Shipping price P.O.A. Shipping subject to quotation and will be charged separately.