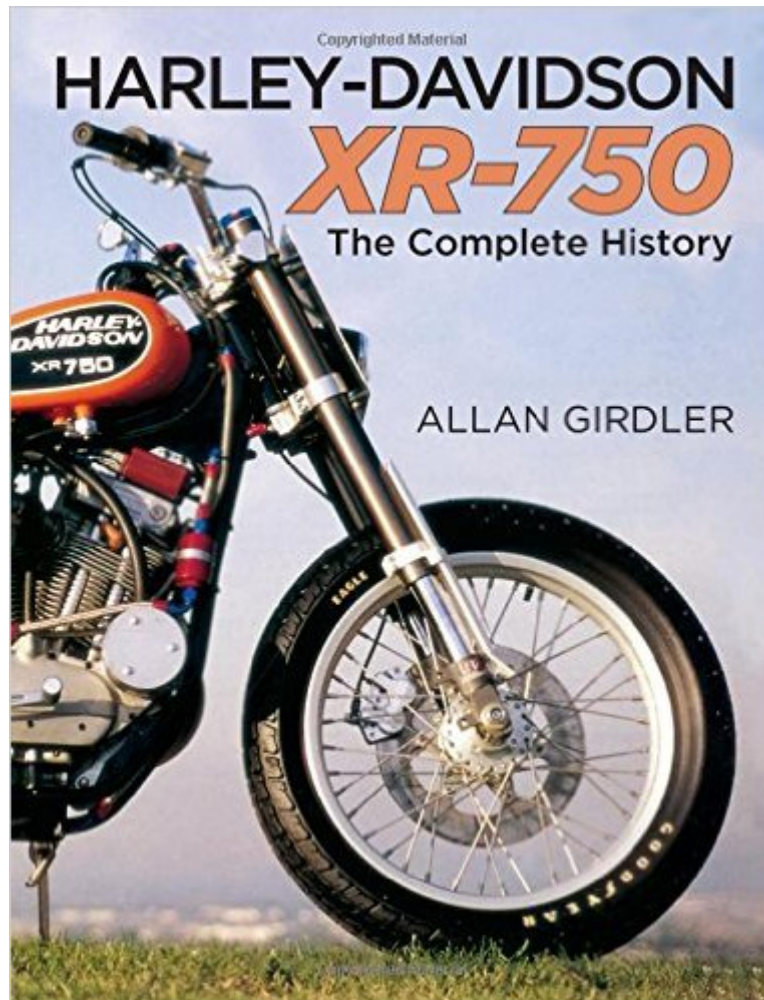


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# Harley-Davidson Xr-750



## Synopsis

Harley-Davidson's XR-750 has ruled dirt-track racing for more than two decades. In fact, no other race car or motorcycle has won as many races over such a long time period. And the victories continue today. This is the story of the legendary XR-750 from its development in 1970, when it was created to replace the aging KR. The first XRs used iron cylinder heads and barrels-and were painfully slow. By 1972, the motorcycles were redesigned with aluminum heads and barrels, and the XR-750 took home the trophies. Found here is the development of the XR-750 with a technical analysis of the complete motorcycle, detailing specifications, modifications, innovations, and aftermarket components. This is also the story of the men who designed, tuned and raced the XR-750. It was their engineering skill, iron-willed riding and tuning secrets that made the motorcycle a winner. The ranks include Jay Springsteen, Dick O'Brien, Bill Werner, Scott Parker, Cal Rayborn, Mert Lawwill, the Brelsford brothers, Gary Scott, Ricky Graham, and more. The book is divided into three parts, the motorcycle's development, the season-by-season race championships, and how the pros make the bikes go-and go fast. More than 300 photos tell the inside story of the XR-750 on the dirt track, the XR-750 and XR-1000 on the street and XR7TT on the road-race circuits. Allan Girdler writes of the Harley-Davidson XR-750 with passion, enthusiasm and firsthand experience. He brings his straight-talking technical writing and colorful story-telling to the history of the XR-750. Girdler is a former Cycle World editor and author of many books including Harley-Davidson Racing 1934-1986 and Harley-Davidson Sportster.

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## Customer Reviews

This is THE book on the history of the XR-750. Fantastic book by a fantastic author. It loses a star though for the terrible reproduction of photos. They look like old 1970s photocopies of photocopies. All black and white inside, they are mostly murky and blurry. As if the original book was scanned in and laser printed -- which may well explain the cheap price compared with the mad prices that used copies of the 1991 original book sell for today. A bit disappointing because it is hard to see the nitty gritty tech details in the photos, which a book like this is much about. Overall, though, a great read. It is more about the history of the bike's and the excitement of racing the big dogs than about specific technical detail of exactly how each engine was made to produce more power. No actual cam timings or port shapes. But lots of general details on both the factory bikes and improvements made by outsiders and some of the world's best tuners.

Book is a great history of the xr750 up to the early 90's. I enjoyed it very much, loads of information on the much lauded and much maligned xr750. If i could ask for one thing from this book it would be to improve the pictures .

awesome book, great story/history of this famed racing motorcycle. I would suggest this book for anyone who enjoys the sport of flat track racing.

Have not read the book yet; however, it is interesting that the guy who actually designed the xr750 is not listed in the index.

It was present for eldest son and he spent a good part of Xmas afternoon thumbing thru it w/ pleasure

Poor paper quality and print. Pages look like Xerox copies. Pictures very low quality. Nice cover

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