


CLASSIC DRIVER

1957 Ariel 350

Oxford, 07 June

- Lot sold
USD 1 457 - 1 822
GBP 1 200 - 1 500 (listed)
Year of manufacture 1957
- **Condition** Used
- **Location** 
- **Motorcycle type** Street
- **Colour** Other
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Description

1957 Ariel 350cc Red Hunter
Registration no. Q313 NYB
Frame no. APR 7727

Designer Val Page's arrival at Ariel in 1925 resulted in a new range of models and an upturn in the firm's fortunes. In 1932 the sports versions were christened 'Red Hunter' and under Page's successor Edward Turner, developed into fast and stylish machines. Post-war the sporting 'Hunters' became the first models to feature Ariel's new telescopic front fork, and the following year could be ordered with optional plunger rear suspension. A new duplex loop frame with swinging-arm rear suspension was adopted for 1954, the 500cc VH gaining an alloy 'head' at the same time (a feature the 350cc NH would not enjoy until the 1956 range was announced). This 350cc Red Hunter has been built up from parts in enduro style and certainly looks very handsome. The machine has been in dry storage for several years and will require re-commissioning before further use. Sold strictly as viewed, it comes with purchase receipt, two expired MoTs and an old-style V5 registration document. No reserve.

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