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1972 Aermacchi Other

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Lot sold	USD 6 538 - 9 153 GBP 5 000 - 7 000 (listed)	Condition	Used
Year of manufacture	1972	Location	
Engine number	6A12939H2	Motorcycle type	Street
		Colour	Other

Description

1972 Aermacchi 350cc Racing Motorcycle

Frame no. 6A13745H2

Engine no. 6A12939H2

Aermacchi is a household name among motorcyclists thanks to its heroic achievement of producing the most highly developed and successful overhead-valve racing single ever, the Ala d'Oro (Golden Wing), which arrived in 1960. As development progressed, the increased power achieved brought with it increasing unreliability, necessitating a re-design for 1966 when larger flywheels, modified piston and connecting rod, dry clutch and wider gears were among improvements introduced. Although the pushrod Aermacchi never won a World Championship race, it did achieve a number of 2nd places, Alan Barnett's in the 1970 Junior TT being one of the most memorable. Despite a lack of ultimate success in Grands Prix, the Aermacchi single was outstandingly successful at national level and today, having benefited from another three decades of development, remains a competitive force in historic motorcycle racing. This Aermacchi's '6A' frame number prefix identifies it as originally a 350 SS roadster, almost certainly exported new to the USA. For many years this motorcycle formed part of a private collection near Milan, Italy from which it was purchased by the current owner. The machine should require only light re-commissioning and the usual safety checks before further use. There are no documents with this Lot.

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