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Steely determination saw this racy café racer go from mongrel to magical

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The MZ Skorpion is a relatively unknown sports bike from the 1990s, which utilised parts from a number of different countries. A mongrel of sorts, we were particularly surprised to see one used as the basis for amateur bike builder Jeff Lamb's ambitious debut café racer project...

Patience to perfection







It's fair to say it wasn't the easiest journey – Lamb encountered financial troubles, unreliable trade partners and what he calls 'creative builder's block'. But thanks to his steely determination, a number of vital contributors and the established custom shop Ellaspede, the project was recently completed, and the result is nothing short of stunning. Despite the fact that almost everything on the bike is new, from the one-piece fuel tank and seat piece to the Avon-style fairing, we're pleased to see the Skorpion's distinctive stance and proportions remain.

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