

# CLASSIC DRIVER



## 1989 Harley Davidson Sportster

Paris, 10 February

Lot sold	<b>USD 23 666 - 23 666</b> EUR 20 000 - 20 000 (listed)	Condition	Used
Year of manufacture	1989	Location	
		Motorcycle type	Street
		Colour	Other

### Description

US title

Frame n° 1HD1BLL12KY021763

- Unique and exceptional provenance
- Powerful model, easy to handle
- Charity lot
- Sold by Johnny Hallyday in aid of the charity 'La Bonne Etoile'

This Springer was delivered new to Johnny Hallyday in 1989 by the Harley agent in Paris. Hallyday asked his friend Jean Basselin to arrange to make it easier to handle and also give it a more rock'n'roll look. The bike was sent to American Moto, the marque dealer in Toulouse, where it was fitted with 16-inch wheels, an old-style horn, Heritage front mudguard and a variety of extra features in leather. It was then transported directly to the star's property Lorada in Saint-Tropez. This became his favourite motorbike and he rode it all the time (it has covered 18 910 km today). When he moved to Los Angeles, it was the only bike he took with him.

Johnny Hallyday has always been mad about motorcycles, and particularly about Harley Davidsons. He has crossed the United-States on a Harley several times with a band of friends, travelling from the famous annual meet at Daytona, to New Mexico and on to Los Angeles. This Harley is one of Johnny Hallyday's favourite machines, well-known through the many photographs of the singer riding it in Saint-Tropez and Los Angeles. The wonderful provenance of this machine, belonging to the biggest rock star in France, makes it totally unique.

Johnny Hallyday has recorded more than 1000 songs, sold over 110 million albums, and for 60 years he has transcended fashions and musical trends, thanks to his great talent, his inimitable voice, his generosity, his steadfast integrity and his unrelenting love for his public.

To describe Johnny Hallyday without speaking of his passion for two and four-wheeled machines

would be missing out an integral part of the man. He has owned a string of beautiful automobiles during his life, including a Ferrari 250 California Spider, a Lamborghini Miura, an AC Cobra, an Aston Martin DB6, a Ferrari 275, a Bizzarrini as well as a Ford Mustang that he drove in the Monte-Carlo Rally for Ford France. And let's not forget the hundreds of motorbikes that have been a part of his life, in particular the Harley Davidsons that he owned and has ridden across the United States and around France.

This year, Johnny Hallyday has decided to sell his Cadillac 53, the car that he had fully customized by the American King of Custom, Boyd Coddington. This car has never left the US and will be presented exclusively and for the first time in France on the Artcurial Motorcars stand this year. Alongside it will be his Harley Davidson Softail Springer, one of his favourite bikes that he has owned for 28 years. Johnny has chosen to sell these two extraordinary vehicles in aid of the charity La Bonne Etoile, co-chaired by his wife Laeticia Hallyday.

La Bonne Etoile is a non-profit organisation founded in January 2012. Its mission is to support children and adolescents, often orphans, who have been abandoned, suffering from illness or physical handicap; initially in Vietnam, and ultimately extending to other parts of the world. The organisation offers these young people decent living conditions by giving them access to care, schooling and vocational training in a protective environment, by building schools, rehabilitating orphanages and providing emergency food aid.

Many projects have already been undertaken. The Ba Bi2 orphanage and school constructed in Hanoi in 2014 now provides year-round accommodation for nearly 100 children. In 2015, a second school was built and is run by teachers funded by the charity. A large number of school desks have been acquired. The Bonne Etoile plans to continue work on the second school by providing the necessary equipment, and would like to send money for medicine, and extra salary for the teachers. In France, in partnership with the association La Voix de l'Enfant, La Bonne Etoile is committed to alleviating the suffering of children who are victims of abuse, through financing hearing rooms in hospitals, to take statements from vulnerable children who are victims of violence and/or abuse.

Johnny has never sold anything at auction before. We are thrilled that he has chosen Artcurial Motorcars and would like to thank him for his trust and his generosity.

Today, you have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to buy a motorbike and a car belonging to one of the biggest stars in rock history, all for a good cause.

No buyer's commission will be levied by Artcurial Motorcars on these two vehicles. The full amount raised in the auction will be paid to the charity.

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