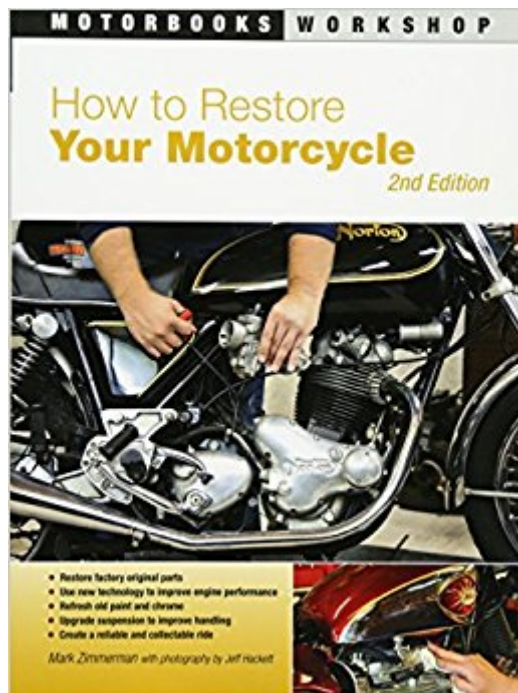




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How To Restore Your Motorcycle: Second Edition (Motorbooks Workshop)



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The market for used motorcycles is vast and deep, with many popular motorcycles available for a fraction of what they cost when new even a few years ago. With a little hard work and know-how, a restored used bike can become a reliable and stylish commuter vehicle. But restoring an older motorcycle can be challenging. Often you're dealing with old technology, parts that are hard to replace, rusty and stubborn bolts, etc. *How to Restore Your Motorcycle* walks the reader through the process of tearing down an old motorcycle and building it back up again. This revised edition adds color photography throughout, as well as new information covering bikes and technologies new to the collector realm.

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Customer Reviews

You've tripped over that box of parts in your garage for too long. It's time to turn it back into a motorcycle. What you need is a coach to guide you through the restoration process, and author and motorcycle restorer Mark Zimmerman is your guy. *How to Restore Your Motorcycle* demystifies motorcycle restoration in a logical step-by-step manner. With vivid color photos and illustrations, this book helps you turn that collection of parts into a classic motorcycle you will be proud to own and ride. This book covers a vast array of classic motorcycles, from a Honda Benly to a Vincent Rapide, and includes information on Japanese, British, American, German, and Italian bikes. All major mechanical and electrical systems are covered, with special

attention paid to challenging systems like those from Lucas. Modern systems common to more recent collectible machines – fuel injection, electronic ignition, more advanced suspension systems – are covered as well. This book also covers practical subjects like setting up a workshop, buying a used motorcycle, research, and deciding what to restore or what to leave in original condition. When restoring a classic bike, a trusted resource like *How to Restore Your Motorcycle* is one of the best tools for your shop.

Mark Zimmerman is the Technical Editor of *Motorcycle Cruiser* magazine, and a contributor to *Classic Bike Guide* magazine. He lives in Danbury, Connecticut. Jeff Hackett has been photographing motorcycles for magazines, books, and calendars for 19 years. He lives outside New Haven, Connecticut.

If you are new to restoration or just looking for more information this book is fairly helpful. It will guide you through what sort of bike to purchase, pros and cons of each type, certain repairs, and the like. Mainly it will act as a tool to lead you to other tools during the restoration process (i.e. places to look for parts, ups/downs of certain repairs, ideas for your restore). It will get your gears turning and give some direction for the process from someone who has already been down that rocky road.

It's well written, no complaints about the author. The book mostly looks at British and German bikes. BSA, Triumph and BMW. It does have some about Japanese bikes, just not very much.

Good book. Easy to follow. Diagrams are helpful (pictures). Instructions are beneficial. Plain English. Great for beginners. Worth the cost. Used to do work on my 71' Suzuki T500 and I'm a beginner.

I'm going to give it 5 stars because I love Mark Zimmerman's column. I haven't yet read this book, but he's always a great read.

Any motorcycle related by Mark Zimmerman is worth reading. I have been riding bikes for 40 years and have always done my own repairs, I find Mr. Zimmerman to be an excellent writer with a lot of knowledge to share.

If you only want to invest in one repair book - this is it. I absolutely love it with its brilliant layout and well written text. You will not be disappointed.

Mark's one of my favorite motorcycle tech writers. He explains things in a manner that is easy to follow, yet complete and correct. He's been there, done that, and you can trust his experience.

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