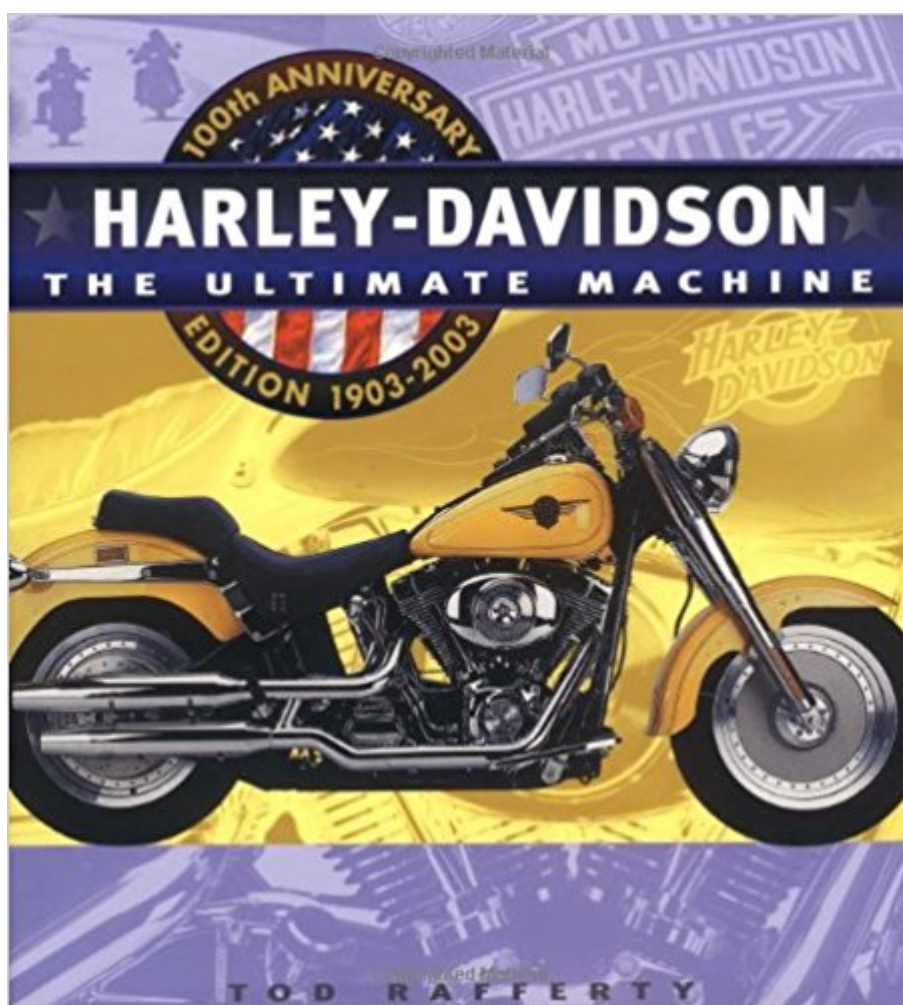


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Synopsis

In recognition of Harley Davidson's 100-year anniversary, this definitive single-volume history features more than 300 photographs of some of the greatest motorcycles ever made by the legendary company -- including all the landmark bikes, new models for 2000 and 2001, such as the Twin Cam 88, Harley's new 1440c V-twin engine, and many rare historical archive prints of early models. Tod Rafferty has written several best-selling books on American motorcycles, including *The Indian* and *The Complete Harley Davidson Encyclopedia*.

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Customer Reviews

Next year marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Company, America's lone surviving motorcycle manufacturer. This volume, an updated version of a 1997 work, represents but a fraction of the products, promotions, and events that will commemorate the anniversary. Although journalist Rafferty provides an adequate overview of the company's history, development, and significant events by era, this book is essentially a showy pictorial treatment of Harley models and Harley history throughout the century, with more than 300 vivid color photographs. Many of the two-page close-ups of vintage Harleys are so finely detailed that oil flecks and pits in metal are visible. Numerous accompanying sidebars note distinctive features of each model. Better histories of Harley-Davidson are available (see, e.g., David Wright's *The Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Company*), but this pictorial tribute is an easy purchase at this price. For public libraries. David Van de Streek, Pennsylvania State Univ. Libs., York Copyright 2002 Reed

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A very nice book that shows the history of Harley Davidson motorcycles. I was disappointed that it did not include the 2003 100th Anniversary information that I thought would be in there as according to the cover and description it was supposed to cover all models and specifications concerning the years 1903-2003 .

My son was very surprised and happy with the book. He is a Harley owner and loves his bike. As his mother, I hate it. :-)

Nice photos! And good service, thank you!

Works Great Just Great, Thanks, RZ.

Really nice shows a lot about the history of HD

Fantastic photos / excellent overall quality. Worth the money, does a great job detailing the history of this iconic machine.

great if you have one

The text covers the early years fairly well, and minces no words when it comes to the bad years of the late sixties-early seventies. Contains some interesting comments by noted figures not only in H-D history, but the general motorcycle community as well. All illustrated, of course, with plenty of photos, some very good indeed. Goes on a bit much about the Sturgis gathering, though, and unfortunately cuts off in late 1993, so no coverage of recent developments such as the H-D partnership with Buell, the onslaught of Japanese imitations and American-built copies, etc. All in all, not a bad addition to the enthusiast's shelf and reasonable value for the money.

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