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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Introduction

This manual provides comprehensive service and repair information for Harley-Davidson Twin Cam 88 models manufactured between 1999 and 2003. It covers various aspects of motorcycle maintenance, troubleshooting, and repair procedures, designed to assist both the novice and experienced mechanic. All procedures are explained with clear, step-by-step instructions and supported by illustrations.

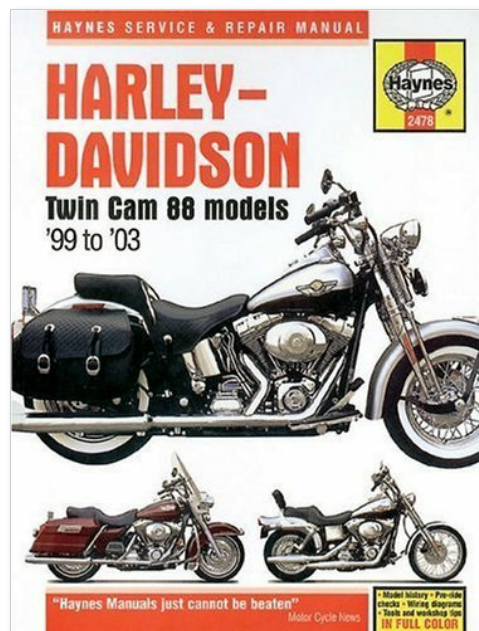


Image: Front cover of the Haynes Repair Manual for Harley-Davidson Twin Cam 88 Models (1999-2003). The cover features a motorcycle engine and the manual's title.

Workshop Preparation and Safety

Before commencing any work on your Harley-Davidson motorcycle, ensure a safe and organized working environment. Proper preparation is crucial for both personal safety and the successful completion of repairs.

Safety Precautions

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including safety glasses, gloves, and sturdy footwear.
- Ensure the motorcycle is stable on a suitable stand before beginning any work.
- Disconnect the battery's negative terminal before working on electrical components to prevent accidental shorts.
- Allow the engine and exhaust system to cool completely before handling to avoid burns.
- Work in a well-ventilated area, especially when dealing with fuel, solvents, or exhaust fumes.

Required Tools and Equipment

A basic set of metric and SAE wrenches, sockets, screwdrivers, and pliers will be necessary. Specialized tools, such as torque wrenches, feeler gauges, and diagnostic equipment, may be required for specific procedures. Refer to individual section requirements for a detailed list of tools.

General Vehicle Information

Understanding the basic operation and indicators of your Harley-Davidson Twin Cam 88 is essential for effective maintenance and troubleshooting. This section provides an overview of key components and their functions.

Dashboard Indicators

- **Oil Pressure Light:** Illuminates when oil pressure is low. Stop the engine immediately and investigate.
- **Check Engine Light:** Indicates a fault in the engine management system. Consult the troubleshooting section for diagnostic steps.
- **Battery/Charging Light:** Signals an issue with the charging system.

Controls Overview

Familiarize yourself with the location and function of the ignition switch, engine stop switch, throttle, clutch lever, brake levers, and foot controls. Proper operation of these controls is critical for safe handling and post-repair testing.

Maintenance and Service Procedures

Regular maintenance is vital for the longevity and performance of your Harley-Davidson Twin Cam 88. This section outlines routine service intervals and detailed procedures.

Service Schedule

Refer to the manufacturer's recommended service intervals, typically found in the motorcycle's owner's manual. Common intervals include 1,000 miles, 5,000 miles, and 10,000 miles for various checks and fluid changes.

Fluid Checks and Changes

- **Engine Oil:** Check level regularly. Change oil and filter every 5,000 miles or annually, using recommended Harley-Davidson oil.
- **Transmission Fluid:** Check level and change as per service schedule.
- **Primary Chaincase Lubricant:** Check level and change as per service schedule.
- **Brake Fluid:** Check level and condition. Replace every two years or as recommended.

Brake System Maintenance

Inspect brake pads for wear, check brake fluid levels, and ensure proper operation of brake calipers and master

cylinders. Bleed the brake system if the lever feels spongy.

Tire Inspection

Regularly check tire pressure and tread depth. Inspect for cuts, cracks, or foreign objects. Maintain correct tire pressure as specified by the manufacturer.

Electrical System Checks

Inspect battery terminals for corrosion, check battery voltage, and ensure all lights and electrical components are functioning correctly. Fuse box locations and diagrams are detailed in the manual.

Troubleshooting Common Issues

This section provides guidance on diagnosing and resolving common problems encountered with Harley-Davidson Twin Cam 88 models.

Engine Starting Problems

- **Engine cranks but won't start:** Check fuel supply, spark plugs, ignition system, and battery charge.
- **Engine won't crank:** Inspect battery connections, starter motor, and ignition switch.

Electrical Faults

If electrical components fail, check fuses first. Then, inspect wiring for damage, loose connections, or corrosion. Use a multimeter to test circuits as needed.

Braking Issues

Problems such as spongy brakes, excessive lever travel, or reduced braking efficiency often indicate air in the system, worn pads, or fluid leaks. Follow the brake system maintenance procedures.

Diagnostic Flowcharts

The full manual includes detailed diagnostic flowcharts for various systems, guiding you through a logical sequence of checks to pinpoint the root cause of a problem.

Technical Specifications

This section provides key technical data and specifications for Harley-Davidson Twin Cam 88 models (1999-2003).

Engine Specifications

- **Engine Type:** Twin Cam 88, 4-stroke, V-Twin
- **Displacement:** 1450 cc (88 cubic inches)
- **Cooling System:** Air-cooled

Fluid Capacities

- **Engine Oil:** Refer to specific model year and engine type in the full manual.
- **Transmission Fluid:** Refer to specific model year in the full manual.
- **Primary Chaincase:** Refer to specific model year in the full manual.

Torque Settings

All critical fasteners have specific torque specifications. Always use a calibrated torque wrench when tightening components. Refer to the detailed tables in the manual for correct values for engine, chassis, and accessory

fasteners.

Warranty Information

This Haynes Repair Manual is a third-party publication. It does not provide or imply any warranty for the Harley-Davidson motorcycle itself. For information regarding the original manufacturer's warranty for your Harley-Davidson Twin Cam 88 motorcycle, please consult your motorcycle's original owner's manual or contact an authorized Harley-Davidson dealership.

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Support and Further Assistance

Should you require further assistance beyond the scope of this manual, or if you encounter issues that you are unable to resolve, consider the following resources:

- **Authorized Harley-Davidson Service Centers:** For professional diagnosis and repair, contact your local authorized Harley-Davidson dealership.
- **Haynes Manuals:** For questions specifically related to the content or clarity of this manual, you may contact Haynes Manuals, Inc. directly through their official website.
- **Online Forums and Communities:** Many online communities dedicated to Harley-Davidson motorcycles can offer peer support and advice, but always verify information with official sources.