



Batbike



The brief was 'Batman meets Bond' – a motorcycle that would be clean, dark and powerful while oozing class and elegance. Shaw's Speed & Custom team knew the donor bike had to demand attention. The V-Rod® Muscle was the obvious choice.

While parts to transform the design of the V-Rod were being CNC-machined in Germany, the team stripped the new bike down to every last nut and bolt. The frame was engineered so the rear shock absorbers could be repositioned to the underside of the frame to allow for the beautiful single-sided swingarm. The front forks were changed for a set of Marzocchi superbike forks with custom-made yokes. The brake rotors were replaced with larger versions and the brake calipers were also pumped up to six-pot specials.



A new 300mm rear wheel was complemented with a rim disc rear rotor with six-pot reverse caliper. Shaw's team made the bespoke exhaust system with new front headers and carbon-fibre rear sections. Other details include the replacement of the clutch cover and primary, front radiator and airbox covers, seat/tail section, handlebars and switch gear with internal throttle and headlight assembly. The centre console is covered in dark perspex, which illuminates with the digital speedo in bright red to match the black and red theme with the anodised parts on the bike.

The Batbike took first place in the Watercooled category at the Custom Bike Show at this year's Harley-Davidson® Euro Festival in St-Tropez. ■

