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SL230



A COUNTRY BIKE FOR CITY DWELLERS



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Ride on the road or play off it on the new nature-loving lightweight from Honda. The weekday commuter with a spirit of adventure.





The SL230 is specially designed to be as at home on city streets as it is on country roads and trails. This free-spirited machine is powered by a reliable 4-stroke single-cylinder engine that pumps out heaps of responsive, easy-to-control power. Just the kind of performance you need for negotiating crowded streets, or tight trails. Lightweight, compact and a miser with fuel, this robust motor features Honda's famous build quality and advanced technology. Such as an efficient hemispherical combustion chamber and precision balanced connecting rod for impressive acceleration across the rev range.

To make the most of the engine's broad power spread, we've fitted a smooth-shifting 6-speed transmission and low-effort clutch. Which means you have plenty of speed and performance for keeping up with city traffic during the week, and plenty of low-rpm



torque for exploring tight, twisty trails on those weekend getaways.

In spite of this engine's tough demeanor, it comes with some very civilized convenience features: like push-button electric starting, and a CV carburettor for silky smooth throttle response. It's also loaded with maintenance-reducing niceties like a CD ignition and an automatic camchain tensioner that keep you out of the shop and in the saddle.

Impressive as the SL230's engine is, the chassis is where the split-personality of its character is truly revealed. The frame features a special 'Mono-Backbone' diamond design for light weight and high strength. It's one reason the SL230 is so much fun to ride over such a wide range of riding environments.

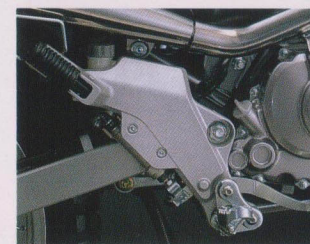


The other is its wonderfully compliant suspension system. The long travel telescopic front fork uses rigid 35mm stanchions for precise steering. With a suspension stroke of 230mm it delivers a smooth, comfortable ride over civilized and uncivilized terrain. Controlling the rear wheel is Honda's famous Pro-Link rear suspension system. It features a large, single shock absorber connected to a sturdy yet lightweight aluminium swingarm via rising-rate linkage. Translation: it soaks up small bumps smoothly and



softly, but stiffens appreciably when you run into rougher stuff. The results are a smooth ride, lightweight handling characteristics and confidence-inspiring ride quality.

To ensure the SL230's adaptability to a wide range of riding habitats, we've mounted its lightweight aluminium rims with special dual-purpose tyres for high traction on a variety of surfaces. Stopping power is provided by front and rear disc brakes featuring a compact dual-piston caliper in front and a single-piston unit in the rear. A bright 60/55W Halogen headlight encourages nocturnal prowling and a lightweight aluminium skid plate protects the engine wherever you roam.



Combine the responsive handling qualities and lightweight manoeuvrability of an off-roader with the civility and convenience of an urban-mannered street machine and the result is one of the most interesting and attractive motorcycles to come along in years.



The SL230. The only two-wheeled creature that is as equally at home in two totally different niches as you are.



*You live in the city but you love the country.
And while the city life pays the bills, the wilderness nourishes the soul.
Wouldn't it be nice to have a bike that shared your sensibilities?
The Honda SL230 does.
It's the motorcycle for people who want to experience the best of both worlds.*



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Specifications	SL230 (U-type)
Engine	Air-cooled 4-stroke SOHC single
Bore × Stroke	65.5 × 66.2mm
Displacement	223cm ³
Compression Ratio	9 : 1
Carburettor	26mm piston valve type
Max. Power Output	20PS/7,500rpm (DIN)(14.7kW/7,500min ⁻¹)
Max. Torque	2.1kg-m/6,000rpm(DIN)(20.6kW/6,000min ⁻¹)
Ignition	Fully transistorized electronic
Starter	Electric
Transmission	6-speed
Final Drive	Chain
Dimensions (L×W×H)	2,070 × 825 × 1,135mm
Wheelbase	1,345mm
Seat Height	810mm
Ground Clearance	260mm
Fuel Capacity	10 litres
Wheels Front/Rear	Aluminium rim/TL spoke
Tyres	Front 2.75-21 45P
	Rear 120/80-18 62P
Suspension	Front 35mm telescopic fork, 230mm axle travel
	Rear Pro-Link with aluminium swingarm, 180mm axle travel
Brakes	Front 240mm hydraulic disc with dual-piston caliper and resin mould pads
	Rear 220mm single-piston caliper hydraulic disk
Dry Weight	105kg

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RIDE WITH STYLE

- Read the owner's manual thoroughly. ●Get to know your machine and its capabilities. ●Concentration assists anticipation.
- Observe other road users' movements. ●Brake in plenty of time.
- Wear quality kit, ride fit, and never after drinking alcohol. ●Good roadcraft and courtesy identifies the skilled and stylish rider.

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