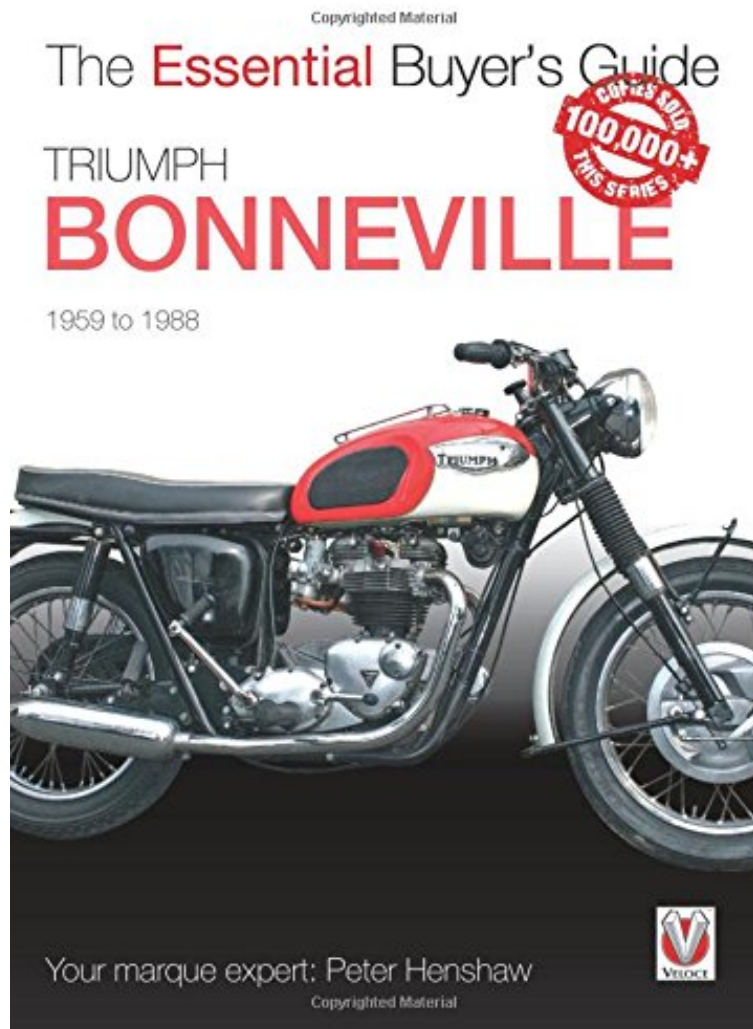


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Made me question if I wanted to own a TriumphBy CustomerVery good short read on Triumph motorcycles and what to look for. The author was very straight forward on what to expect when owning one of these older bikes and the issues an owner will encounter. I was looking for a nice bike to ride on the weekends or as an option to commute to work, but after reading, I'm thinking this isn't the bike for me. This \$9 probably saved me a lot of frustration. If I wanted to work on or tinker with it and then have the satisfaction I fixed it myself, then I think that's more what the author was trying to say, at least that's my interpretation. For most, this book is probably about finding that perfect historic Triumph and it does a good job at doing that, but for me, it made me

realize that I need a bike that I can just get on and go and not have turn a wrench first. It has me looking at more maintenance free options now.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent and informative book.By Richard CheathamExcellent and informative book.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good but not greatBy mmcporterThis is a very good primer for anyone considering purchasing a Triumph Bonneville. Although written in England, the book is helpful to US and European Triumph fans alike. The author does a good job of distinguishing between the various eras of Bonneville, giving insight into the benefits and drawbacks of each type. The relatively small footprint of the book makes it easy to carry with you as you visit buyers for motorcycle evaluation. The content is organized well and the format is pleasing to the eye. What I'd like to have seen in the book is more detailed photos of the bikes, a checklist that could be replicated for use in field evaluations of the bikes and side-by-side photos of the different years of Bonnevilles. Again, very worth buying if you are in the market and an excellent effort, but could be better as well.

There are lots of books about the Triumph Bonneville, about its history, performance, lineage and the minutiae of its specification, but none of them tell you what to look for when buying one secondhand. That's what this book is about it aims at being a straightforward, practical guide to buying a used Bonnie. It won't list all the correct color combinations for each year, or analyze the bikes design philosophy, or consider its background as part of a troubled industry there are excellent books listed at the end of this one which do all of that. But hopefully it will help you avoid buying a dud. Point by point, it takes the reader through everything that needs looking at when buying a Bonnie, plus spares prices, which is the best model to buy for your needs, a look at auctions, restorations and paperwork. Over 29 years in production, the Bonneville is for some the definitive postwar British vertical twin, perhaps even the definitive British bike of all time, with all its strengths, weaknesses and character. Although there might seem to be a wide range of models and special editions, all are based around the same 649cc or 747cc vertical twin. There were plenty of changes over the years, but none of them changed the basic format of this classic British bike. Aside from all the history, the Bonneville remains a tremendous classic to own, so long as you're prepared to look after it. The last Bonnies truly deserve the term practical classic. Whichever one you choose, it should be fast, agile and good looking, and on a twisty English B road, there's nothing like a Bonnie. One hundred color photos, useful appendices and expert advice mean this book could save you 1000s.

"Even if you already own a Bonnie I reckon you could find it a worthwhile little book." Mark Holman, Bike Rider