

# **Moto Guzzi Norge GT 8V:**

# Travel first class, with style and horsepower.

Norge GT8V has been totally revamped and is now more powerful, safe and comfortable taking Moto Guzzi to the top of the long haul gran turismo sector.

**Norge** is an **untiring traveller**, a champion recognised for its **reliability** and elected the *tourer* bike of the year (2006 and 2007), faithful companion of the **police force** in cities such as **Milan** and **Berlin**, this totally revamped **GT 8V** version consolidates its **long haul Touring** vocation.

A number which declares the presence of the **latest evolution** of the **"four valve"** series engine, further to updates to the quality of its equipment and finishings which all combine to allow the **Moto Guzzi Norge GT 8V** to outclass all previous models with its high levels of **performance**, **comfort** and **driving pleasure**.

The heart that beats inside this bike is the **renowned V-shaped 90° transverse twin-cylinder "Four valve" engine**, the highest performer among all the families of engines manufactured at Mandello del Lario, which has now reached exclusive levels as far as its technical/performance development is concerned.

This latest version can boast the careful attention paid to achieve a more **silent** and **smooth running** of the engine, whilst tweaking the electronic control, **timing system**, **cooling** and **exhaust system**. The **brand new integrated ignition and injection ECU** now exploits the signals sent by the **two lambda probes** to guarantee adequate feeding throughout the entire combustion cycle, **improving response to the throttle control**, **mid range power delivery** further to consumptions and emissions.

The **oil radiator** is fitted on the **lower fairing lug** and has a **thermostat-controlled electric fan** that keeps the temperature of the lubricant within the ideal range, whilst the **muffler** is now **larger**, reducing the noise level and increasing midrange torque. The engine now boasts a **maximum torque of over 104 Nm** delivered at a mere 5,500 rpm and easily reaches a **peak in output** of over **102 Hp**; it practically reaches an automobile-level speed with a **20% higher power curve** compared to the **two-valve version**.

The features of the **layout of the new engine** include a **more compact crankcase** and a **cylinder unit** fitted with **fins that are tapered** towards the direction of travel; this led to changes to the chassis and totally new designed **fairings**. The only part of the previous version still present is the headlight; other **new** features include the **electrically-controlled windscreen**, the **side panels integrating the fuel tank**, the **satin-finish metal serial plate** and the **dual layer lug**.

A hat-trick target has been achieved with this new setup: efficient dissipation of heat, improved thermal insulation and more effective aerodynamic protection, to ensure both the rider and passenger enjoy their trip in complete comfort whatever the speed. The bike is highly enjoyable to ride, regardless of weather or location, thanks to the ergonomic research applied to each minor detail and appreciated at a daily level: the new position of the highly functional instrument panel makes it easier for the rider to its readings, the saddle is now just 810 mm in height and fitted with a wider and well-padded seat, the new handlebar has been lowered and retracted slightly which gives the rider greater control of the bike at high speed.

There is even a practical 12 Volt external power socket, a spacious compartment below the saddle, heated hand-grips and many other novelties such as



the new side stand and central stand, integrated passenger grab handles, a new set of side panniers completely redesigned to guarantee perfect coupling of the two shells.

The increase in road performance has enhanced the overall dynamics on this bike, something that was already a strong point on the previous version. The GT8V has however reached a more **neutral and racing** behaviour thanks to **revamped setting of the suspension**, replacing the **spring set** on the **fork** and **shock absorber**, achieving perfect **hydraulic response** of the two suspension units. **The bike identifies the ideal driving line faster** when coming into a bend and is faster **when changing direction**, even when used at **full capacity** conditions which are frequent in a Gran Turismo model like the Mandello del Lario top of the range bike.

The safety aspects don't finish there: the bike also has a more powerful braking system with a new **electronic ABS braking system** combined with **front brake discs** fitted with a **new** high performance **brake band**.

Faster engine, extra comfort, enhanced fittings and reinforced chassis: the **Moto Guzzi Norge GT 8V** is champing at the bit and ready to win back its **queen of Gran Turismo title**.

Such a fine bike would definitely have made even **Engineer Giuseppe "Naco" Guzzi extremely proud**. He is the one who invented the famous **Norge** and the destination of **North Cape** for bike enthusiasts: he was the first to travel to these lands in **1928** and did so riding a GT 500 fitted with an elastic frame he called Norge, in honour of the Italian airship flown by Umberto Nobile, the first to fly over the North Pole.

### MAIN CHARACTERISTICS

### **DESIGN**

- New one-piece fairing.
- New dual layer lug.
- New electrically controlled windscreen.
- New satin-finish aluminium muffler.
- New Moto Guzzi customised side panniers.
- Brand new shaped saddle.

#### **ENGINE**

- 1200 90° V-shaped Twin-cylinder "Four Valve"
- Single overhead camshaft timing system with decreased valve control noise level
- New profile camshafts
- Oil radiator fitted on the lug with thermostat-controlled electric fan.
- Single plate clutch.
- New exhaust system.
- Transmission with compact reactive cardan shaft drive.
- 6-gear gearbox.
- Euro 3.

## **CHASSIS**

- High resistance steel double cradle frame.
- Front fork with 45 mm legs, adjustable spring preloading and hydraulics fitted with a new set of progressive action springs.
- Shock absorber with adjustable preloading and rebound fitted with a more preloaded spring
- Rear suspension with progressive articulation single arm.
- 4 horizontally opposed piston front brake system with new 320 mm discs.

## PRESS INFORMATION



• Rear 282-mm disc brake, floating caliper with two parallel pistons.

Rear tyre ZR 180/55/17.
 Front tyre ZR 120/70/17.

#### STANDARD OUTFIT:

- New cutting-edge ABS Continental.
- Onboard computer.
- Heated hand-grip fixture.
- Satellite navigator fixture.
- Newly shaped side stand and centre stand.
- New electrically controlled windscreen.
- Newly designed side panniers.

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Engine : 90° V-shaped twin cylinder, four-stroke, air cooled

Displacement : 1,151 cc

Max output : 75 kW (102 HP) at 7,000 rpm

Max torque : 104 Nm at 5500 rpm

Exhaust system : stainless steel with central equaliser and with 3-way catalytic converter with two

Lambda probes (Euro 3)

Transmission : 6-speed

Final drive : CARC compact reactive cardan shaft drive system; double cardan joint and floating

bevel gear set,

drive ratio 12/44 = 1:3.666

Front suspension : telescopic hydraulic fork with 45 mm stanchions and adjustable spring preload Rear suspension : single arm with progressive linkage and monoshock with adjustable rebound

and ergonomic dial for setting preload

Front brake : dual 320 mm stainless steel floating discs and callipers with 4 horizontally opposed

pistons - ABS

Rear brake : 282 mm stainless steel fixed disc, floating calliper with 2 parallel pistons - ABS

Tyres : 120/70 ZR17" (front) - 180/55 ZR17" (rear)

Max length : 2,195 mm
Max width : 870 mm
Height :1,125 mm

Saddle height : 810 mm- (-30mm with lowered gel saddle available as an option)

Dry weight : 257 Kg

Fuel tank capacity : 23 litres (including 4 litre reserve)