

# The Perfect Motorcycle

## Questionnaire Choose Your Type

Interpretation of your answers to this questionnaire are in the book *The Perfect Motorcycle: How to Choose, Find and Buy the Perfect New or Used Bike* which is available at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) and [www.theperfectmotorcycle.com](http://www.theperfectmotorcycle.com)

1) Styles of riding and events in which you participate or would like to participate: Place a check mark next to all that apply. (2-up means riding with a passenger.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Motocross                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Enduro           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trail riding               | <input type="checkbox"/> Sand dune riding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flat track                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Desert racing    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice racing                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Drag racing      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Speedway racing            | <input type="checkbox"/> Trials           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Closed-circuit road racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Supermoto        |

Cruising the beach or boulevard    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Attending bike shows    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Attending national rallies such as Sturgis, Daytona, etc.    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Competitive road rallies, such as Iron Butt Rally    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Guided tours    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Organized events on public roads, such as, poker runs, benefits, etc.    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Public canyon and/or mtn roads    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Interstate highways only for long-distance touring    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Combination two-lane paved and interstate long-distance touring    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Adventure touring (road and dirt)    \_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_ 2-up

Now, go back and consider which of these activities you enjoy most, ranking your first, second, third, fourth and fifth choice. If you participate in or would like to participate in fewer than five activities, just rank those you checked.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
 4<sup>th</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
 5<sup>th</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2) Styles of trips you take, or would like to take. Check all that apply:

- A three-hour tour
- Day-long outings
- Multi-day trips
- Riding to get to a destination
- Riding to ride, destination unimportant
- Commuting
- Trips to and through multiple states
- International journeys
- Around-the-world adventures

As in question #1, rank your choices. If you participate in or would like to participate in fewer than five activities, just rank those you checked.

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Answer each question by circling a number from one to five that best describes your current situation. These numbers correspond to a range of possibilities. The low- and high-end of the range are always described by numbers one and five. If you fall in the exact middle of the range, circle the middle number three.

3) How many of your friends and/or relatives are motorcyclists? 1 2 3 4 5

1. I don't know anyone else who rides a motorcycle.
5. Just about everyone I know rides a bike.

4) Rate your own technical riding skill. 1 2 3 4 5

1. Beginner
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced
4. God
5. Kenny Roberts

5) How many average miles per year do you think you will ride? 1 2 3 4 5

1. 0-1,000
2. 1,001-3,000
3. 3,001-20,000
4. 20,001-50,000
5. 50,001-plus.

6) How do you feel about your motorcycle's sound? 1 2 3 4 5

1. I like stealth. The quieter my bike, the better.
5. I want everyone in the county to know I rode in.

7) What physical aspects of motorcycle riding do you prefer? 1 2 3 4 5

1. I want finesse, smoothness, comfort, and protection.
5. I like the rough, visceral input and extreme effort of a raw-edged machine.

8) How do you feel about speed? 1 2 3 4 5

1. I like riding on back roads at a leisurely pace.
5. There is simply no speed called too fast.

9) What about cornering? 1 2 3 4 5

1. I prefer the Interstates.
3. Variety and contrast is what makes a ride interesting.
5. I'm not happy unless I'm leaned over.

10) What size motorcycle do you prefer? 1 2 3 4 5

1. Tiny. If Tonka Toys made a motorcycle, I would buy one.
5. The bigger, the better!