



Norton Resources



Compiled by a member of the Nation's Capital Norton Owners

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This isn't every resource we have but it will get you started until you can come to a meeting and tap into the collective centuries of Norton knowledge of our members. Nearly all parts necessary to build a Commando, Atlas or Dominator from scratch are being manufactured new today and there are many parts available that will make your Norton better than when new, and in some cases, astonishingly so. The only thing piddling on your floor will be the dog. Resources are in no particular order. Generally, our experiences have been good with these resources unless noted. However, **your mileage may vary**. Restore, ride, repeat!

Nation's Capital Norton Owners (NCNO), Washington DC: The best British bike club in the East. See website for schedule of events. Monthly meetings are well attended by a diverse and fun group. Anyone interested is welcome. Get help with your Norton! Norton-less? Members always have bikes/parts to sell/swap. Pre-meeting rides in warmer months. Annual dues just 20 measly bucks. You'll spend more on 2 cocktails in DC, almost certainly with less to show for it. www.ncno.org

British Only Motorcycles & Parts, Garden City MI: The Death Star of British bike parts. Four miles of shelves filled with Norton, Triumph & BSA parts. No frills website - you need OEM part numbers. Good pricing. www.britishonly.com

Old Britts, Enumclaw WA: Large online catalog of Commando parts. Excellent, highly illustrated tech articles. Ongoing Commando restoration series. Good people/great site. www.oldbritts.com

Domiracer, Cincinnati OH: Large new/NOS stock. No-frills site; part numbers needed. Since 1969. www.domiracer.com

Xander's BritBikes, Grove City OH: Art has a nice selection of aftermarket/OEM parts at reasonable prices. **TIP:** Get the Norton CD - it includes dozens of factory parts catalogs/manuals/other literature. <http://xandersbritbikes.tripod.com>

Rocky Point Cycle, Xenia OH: Mikuni carb kits, ignitions, reusable silicone rocker cover gaskets, stainless fasteners and accessories.. Stan is very helpful, especially with Norton Mikuni jetting. www.rockypointcycle.com

Fair Spares America, San Jose CA: OEM/aftermarket parts. Limited website. www.fairsparesamerica.com

Rabers Parts Mart, San Jose CA: Large selection of Norton/Triumph/BSA parts. www.rabers.com

British Parts Chicago IL: New, aftermarket and used parts. www.britishpartschicago.com

Baxter Cycle, Marne IA: Large selection of parts and used bikes. Norton/Other British www.baxtercycle.com

Colorado Norton Works, Dolores CO: Ultra-cool and innovative Commando performance parts. They will restore your Commando to stock or wild. See their lovely work at their website. Bring bags of cash. www.coloradonortonworks.com

Vintage Brake, Sonora CA: A wealth of info/parts/service to make your vintage motorcycle brakes better than new and give a safer ride. Plan ahead for service - they are good and can have a lengthy backlog. www.vintagebrake.com

Clubman Racing Accessories, Fairfield CT: As the name implies; street also. Good stuff. www.clubmanracing.com

Dyno Dave Comeau, Ipswich MA: Makes absolutely best MKIII starter fix. Thumb-start your Norton! Detailed tech section. **TIP:** Voltage drop when e-starting can cause Boyer ignitions to kick back and break expensive starter parts. Using points or Lucas Rita ign. (Dave has 'em) can prevent this if you e-start. Search INOALIST (below) for info. www.atlanticgreen.com

British Bike Connection, Rochester NY: New and aftermarket parts, some unique. www.britishbikeconnection.com

Rask Cycle, Evans City PA: British bike parts and service. Dyno tuning of your classic British bike. www.raskcycle.com

British Cycle Supply, New Jersey and Canada: Friendly group with many aftermarket Norton/British parts. In Nova Scotia with a New Jersey warehouse for US shipments. Standard UPS ground service to DC is next day. www.britcycle.com

Walridge Motors Limited, Canada: Nice selection of Norton OEM and other British parts. www.walridge.com

AMR, Tucson AZ: New/used Norton parts. Norton timing cover mod adds check valve to eliminate wet-sumping. Amal reborning to accept chrome plated brass slide. "Featherlastic" conversion experts. Put isolastics on a Featherbed frame for what some consider the ultimate package of reduced vibration and superior handling. www.amr-of-tucson.com

RMA, San Jose CA: Manufactures automatic cam chain tensioner for Commandos. No web. 408-578-4032

Corbin, Hollister CA: Beautiful custom seats for your Commando Roadster. Interstate models are special order. Material, color & welting combinations are nearly limitless. Recent redesign allows key locking/removal. www.corbin.com

Buchanan Spokes, Azusa CA: Last word in rims/spokes/wheel rebuilds. Polished stainless! www.buchananspokes.com

Bulbs That Last 4 Ever, Sun Valley CA: Manufactures LED bulb assemblies for Brit bikes. Brighter, safer, cooler, longer lived and less current draw for over-taxed alternators. Pricey but they can make a difference. www.bulbthatlast4ever.com

Stainlessbits.com: Stainless fasteners and fastener kits for Brit bikes. www.stainlessbits.com **Handy Norton part number to fastener size cross-reference.** www.stainlessbits.com/link12a.html

Bolt Depot, MA: Easy stock-up on your fastener needs. Good selection and prices. www.boltdepot.com

Battley Cycle, Gaithersburg MD: Local modern bike dealer with large accessories/supplies department. www.battley.com

British & European Classic Motorcycle Day, Germantown MD: Best British/European show in the Mid-Atlantic. Swap meet. Third Sunday in May. Photos at website. Nortons out in full force. Visit the NCNO tent. www.classicmotorcycleday.org

Norton Motorcycles, Gladstone OR: *Objective:* Find a place as rainy as England to set proper atmosphere. Design a modern Norton. Build same. Sell boatloads. *Result:* Beautiful prototypes worthy of the name. Several pre-sold. Still waiting for a production model to ship. A noble effort by Kenny Dreer. Keep your fingers crossed. www.nortonamerica.com

Nithburg Cycle, Ontario Canada: Commando performance and aftermarket parts. www.nithburgcycle.com

Triton Machining, Ditto: Norton machining. Bruce sleeves tired Amals to better than new. www.tritonmachining.com

British Spares, New Zealand: Nice selection of performance/aftermarket parts from Middle Earth. Exchange rate can price parts favorably. Useful [Norton Model/Serial Number codes](#) and [Amal tech info](#) on their website. www.britishspares.com

Norvil Motorcycle Company, Jolly Olde England: Huge online catalog of OEM/performance parts, especially Commando & Dominator. Knowledgeable owner, Les, takes tech calls M-F from 4-5 English time. www.norvilmotorcycles.com

BSA Regal Group, Ditto: OEM Norton parts manufacturer. [ONLINE OEM PARTS CATALOGS](#). www.bsa-regal.co.uk

Steve Maney, Ditto: You'll drool over Steve's ultra high performance Commando parts. Up to 1007 cc's, if you need or just want them. www.stevemaney.com

Norman White, Ditto: English manufacturer of fine Commando performance parts. www.normanwhite.co.uk

RGM Motors, Ditto: Large stock of OEM/performance parts, many unique. Good prices (offset some by exch. rate). Service & shipping can sometimes be quirky/slow. Flaky website – new webmaster needed badly. www.rgmmotors.co.uk

Mick Hemmings, England: Extensive selection of new and improved Commando parts by long time Commando racer/expert. Good stuff. You must get his catalog cuz he doesn't do the web, at least not yet. 72/74 Overstone Road, Northampton NN1 3JS England. Phone (from US): 011-44-1604-638505

Norman Hyde, Ditto: Collection of Commando OEM/aftermarket/modified/performance parts. www.normanhyde.co.uk

Maxton Engineering, Ditto: Suspension specialists. Norton fork conversions replace your fork internals with modern components for superior fork action. Adjustable damping shocks for the rear. www.esling.btinternet.co.uk/maxton/

Ikon Suspension, Australia: Manufacturers of Koni style shocks. www.ikonsuspension.com

TT Industries Ltd., Tasmania: Manufactures heavy duty 4/5/6 speed gearboxes for your Norton. www.ttindustries.com

Eastwood Co., Pottstown PA: Extensive line of automotive restoration tools and supplies. www.eastwoodco.com

Caswell Plating, Lyons NY: Excellent home polishing/plating equipment/supplies/kits. www.caswellplating.com

Forward Air: Easy, fast and reasonable US/Canadian air shipping for your new Norton acquisitions. Or, to thin out other bikes in the garage to make room for your new Nortons. :) www.forwardair.com

eBay: Largest web auction service. Many Norton listings - anything may show up. Be wary, especially of sellers with low or extensive negative feedback. Expect to pay top dollar - Norton bargains are exceptions, not the rule. www.motors.ebay.com

International Norton Owners Association (INOA): Our mothership club. Practical tech info at site. www.inoanorton.com

INOALIST on Yahoo.com Groups: Forum of the INOA. Register (free) to read messages. 700+ members. Millennia of collective Norton knowledge. Norton answers here. <http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/INOALIST/>

Norton Owners Club (NOC), England: The other great Norton club. Many new parts, especially for older models. Good tech info. Excellent DVDs on rebuilding Norton gearboxes/engines. www.nortonownersclub.org

BritBike.com: Excellent British bike forum with a Norton specific board. <http://forum.britbike.com/>

Reg's Commando Pages: Outstanding set of tech/tips/links! <http://users.bigpond.net.au/nortonfan/index.htm>

JerryDoe.com: Excellent Commando-specific board/tech/photos/Norton Girl ads/forum. www.jerrydoe.com

Bushman's Carb Tuning Secrets: **Very useful, illustrated steps for properly tuning Amals.** www.jba.bc.ca/JBCycle.html

Brit-Iron: British bike board, active forum/list. Queen Mum of Brit bike forums. <http://users.rcn.com/cstringe/brit.html>

Captain Norton's Notes: Useful archive of Commando tech postings from Brit-Iron. www.captain.norton.clara.net/

Norton Riders Collective: Norton board/forum/history. www.users.bigpond.com/aardvarkwebdesign/norton/index.htm

NSW Norton Owners: Club site/excellent tech info. Bearings/wheels/brakes/etc. <http://www.nocnsw.org.au/technical.html>

Speedo Repair Info: Illustrated instrument repair; links. <http://members.shaw.ca/randell/Smith/Speedo.html>

Ken Augustine: World's straightest Commando. How to get it all aligned. www.vintagenet.com/phantom/wsc.html

Norton Commando Riders: Nice set of tech/links. http://au.geocities.com/norton_commando_riders/sitemap.htm

McIntosh Racing, New Zealand: Everything for your Manx. www.manxnorton.co.nz

ES2: ES2 info and links. <http://www.nortones2.co.uk/> and <http://www.bmh.com.au/norton/>

NY City Norton: Finely photographed Tale of Two Nortons. Take a gander. www.shelbynyc.com/nycnorton

Norton Colorado: Excellent club site with simply outstanding Norton/related links page. www.nortoncolorado.org

World's Fastest Norton: Check progress on 208 mph Norton Streamliner resto. www.rpmcycletx.com/nortonracer.htm

Birds on Bikes: A diversion. PG. www.ozebook.com/cpotw/birdsbikes.htm; R-rated. www.ganoa.org/Norton_girl_90's.htm

The Trunk Monkey: The right accessory for your 4-wheeled non-Norton. www.trunkmonkey.com/content/view/28/51

The Dubliner, #4 F St. NW at North Capitol St., DC: Fresh, slow-pour Guinness blocks from the Capitol. Live Irish music every night at 9 (7:30 Sun). A little touristy around St. Patty's and during bus season. 202-737-3773 www.dublinerdc.com

Asylum, 2471 18th St. NW, DC: Bike-friendly bar in heart of Adams-Morgan with largest cycle-only parking in DC out front. Loud & wild. Tattoos/piercings welcome/customary. 202-319-9353 www.asylumdc.com