

Solid Single: 1968 Sears Lightweight SR125



This little motorcycle looks as solid as Sears.. used to be.. It's a *1968 Sears Lightweight SR125* and it's [on Craigslist](#) with an asking price of \$1,800. It's in Charlotte, Michigan, just southwest of Lansing. Thanks to Clarke B for sending in this tip!



The Sears Lightweight SR125 is actually a rebadged Puch M125 made by Steyr-Daimler Puch of Austria. Yeah, those guys who make the uber-cool [off-road](#)

vehicles. They were made between 1966 and 1971 and Sears actually sold a lot of motorcycles through its catalogs and in its stores. Although, with this model, Puch only made a little over 1,000 of them in 1968 and around 11,000 of them in total between those years. There was an M125S version, for “sport” that was identical mechanically but had a battery for lighting and a sportier look.



This bike has 3,845 miles on it and it “runs strong”, according to the current owner who got it from an estate sale. Dang, I wonder what they paid for it?! \$500 maybe? The gas tank is [perfect inside](#) which is unusual for a bike that has been sitting for as long as this one must have been. There are no [turn signals](#) here, what’a you kiddin’ me?!



I love the look of this engine, that [cylinder head](#) is a work of art. This Puch M125, I mean, Sears Lightweight SR125, is powered by a 123.5 CC single with around 10 hp. With a 200-pound curb weight those 10 horses won't feel like a lot, but when you're at the 64 mph top speed I bet it feels like you're flying. You could theoretically take this cross-country but you had better stick to side roads and plan on several days. Have any of you owned a rebadged Sears motorcycle?

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