



Custom sportbikes are gaining in popularity, but few rely on Americanbuilt V-twin motors to power them. Exquisite in both design and execution, the Ecosse Heretic is much too refined to be described as a streetfighter, despite its naked-bike aggression and brutishly displayed air-cooled 1966cc powerplant with proprietary 6-speed Baker transmission. The spectacular trellis frame and swingarm mingle effortlessly with premium Öhlins suspension to ensure that your riding experience matches the visual impact of this purposeful and unique design.

Honda's CBR600RR was an exemplary place to start, but Ray Plumb and Team Honda racing turned the bike into something quite extraordinary. Fortunate enough to ride Miguel Duhamel's AMA Formula Extreme race bike at Miller Motorsports Park, I was astounded at how incredibly well the machine performed. Power was crisp and strong, but not notchy or jerky. The gas-charged Öhlins suspension delivered beautifully

neutral and solid handling. Faster than a Catholic running through nearby Salt Lake City, this bike needed every bit of its highly efficient Nissin radial calipers to bite down the speed at the straight's end. This machine could be relatively easily replicated for around \$50,000, but whether Duhamel would be prepared to

set it up so perfectly for you would be another matter entirely.

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