

# **YAMAHA'S WORKS COMMUTER: THE DT175MX**

potential on the trail.

trying to get out.

enthusiasts.

(Engine; silencer) Gone are the

days when exciting performance meant ripping noisily through the countryside. A built-in silencing

performance on the tarmac give it winning

swift and certain bottom-end response; the

Torque Induction, for smooth carburetion and

monoshock unit for increased suspension travel and

more effective damping; triangulated rear sub-frame

to eliminate weaving and wobble; and heavy-duty

long-travel front forks all lend their sophisticated

weight quite as forcefully to the challenge of the

wilds as to the rush-hour traffic. Inside the tough

moto-crosser is a sweet-tempered roadster,

The resemblance between a works moto-crosser and the DT175MX is inevitable. Years of research and development linked to a career of unparallelled success in competition have led to the obvious appearance of race technology in the showroom.

The seven-port alloy engine of the 175 gives it something of the performance of a lightweight competition machine and its monoshock rear suspension provides remarkable stability for rough going. And yet the DT was designed as a fully equipped dual-purpose machine: devastating in competition, delightful on the open road.

Full instrumentation, indicators, lights, and rear-view mirror keep the 175 dressed for the street. And the features that make for spritely

(Cycle parts; controls)

Magura-style levers for smoother and easier control of clutch and brakes, with electrical switches placed for fingertip reach.

(Instruments) Full instrumentation, including tachometer and trip meter gently angled for easy reading and illuminated by soft green non-glare backlighting.

(Handlebars) Handlebar bracing tube for off-road use carries protective padding.

(Emergency switch) Instantly reached from the throttle is the emergency stop switch, essential for off-road use and a valuable safety feature for street riding.

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(Induction) Yamaha's reed-valve **Torque Induction utilises variations** in crankcase pressure to ensure accurate fuel intake. Crisper combustion and the elimination of blowback lead to sharper, more even performance.

system designed to comply with all governmental and sportingorganisation requirements meets the needs of all outdoor

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(Suspension: 1) Derived from moto-cross technology, a single shock-absorber unit links the steering head to the rear sub-frame. Spring pre-load tension may be adjusted to suit individual rider.

#### (Suspension: 2)

A combination of gas and oil provides the damping medium. A cell of nitrogen (under 213 lbs/sq. in. pressure) located at the base of the unit controls the flow of damping medium without the use of valves and prevents the suspension from bottoming out.

(Chassis: 1) Since its introduction on Yamaha's works motocrossers of 1973, monoshock suspension has dominated motorcycle competition in moto-cross, trials, enduro, and road racing. A sturdy semi-duplex cradle frame houses a triangulated sub-frame carrying the rear wheel.



(Chassis: 2) The longer travel and the slower action of the monoshock suspension allow the rear wheel to follow surface irregularities, rather than bouncing over them. The ride is easier, progress faster, and maximum power is delivered to the ground. The rigid sub-frame keeps the wheel in alignment, minimizes weaving, and assists positive steering in the rough and on the road.

(Exhaust) Moto-cross engineering includes an expansion chamber, located above the engine, to extract maximum performance.

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(Lubrication) Yamaha's Autolube system supplies oil under pressure to the crankcase. The supply is controlled by the throttle twistgrip; the correct lubrication is provided in direct relation to engine speed.

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#### **DT175 SPECIFICATIONS ENGINE**

Туре	2-stroke
Displacement	
Bore & Stroke	$\dots 66 \times 50 \text{ mm}$
Compression ratio	6.8:1
Max. horsepower	12 kW (16.3 hp)
	@7,000 rev/min.
Max. torque	. 17.4 Nm (1.7 kg-m)
	@6,000 rev/min.
Lubrication system	
Starting system	Primary kick starter
Primary transmission	Gear
Final transmission	Chain
Gearbox	6-gear
Carburettor	VM24
Clutch	Multi-plate, wet
Battery	6V, 6AH
Charging system	. Flywheel magneto
Ignition type	C.D.I.

### DIMENSIONS

Overall length	2 0 0 0 mm
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Overall width	885 mm
Overall height	1,120 mm
Wheelbase	1,350 mm
Ground clearance	265 mm
Seat height	855 mm
Weight (net)	99 kg
Fuel tank capacity	7 lit.
Oil capacity	
Tyres, front	2.75-21-4PR
rear	3.50-18-4PR
Brakes, front	Drum
rear	Drum
*Specifications subject to change without notice.	

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