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## Announcing Indian Motorcycles' Custom "Black Hills Beast"



Indian Motorcycle revealed the "Black Hills Beast," built by Doug Siddens and Nick Jaquez of IndianMotorcycles.net in Sturgis to a strong reception. The Black Hills Beast, based on a new 2015 Indian Scout, was customized to emulate the purpose built nature of historic hill climb motorcycles.

Transforming the look of the Scout started relatively easily with the addition of several new Indian Motorcycle accessories including the 1920 Solo Saddle Seat and a set of the accessory laced wheels. Custom details that set the bike apart include an elongated custom swingarm, custom handlebar, custom radiator shroud and front number plate with an LED headlight. The 100+ horsepower of muscle in the Scout powerplant chewed up the earth via a custom tire chain designed for maximum grip when charging up a hill.

"Building a hill climber seemed easy enough, but it posed some unique challenges," Says Doug Siddens of IndianMotorcycles.net. "Enthusiasts know what a hill climber looks like - so some of the mods were logical - but scaling them to fit the new Scout was the key and took a lot of work and planning. We are very proud of the result and the reception that the bike got at such an important Sturgis milestone, the 75th anniversary. "

"We settled in on a design quickly," adds Nick Jaquez of IndianMotorcycles.net "But none of it would have worked without the assistance of our suppliers and partners in this build. We cranked on it for a month and

tossed out a few bits along the way - I do feel like we delivered one hell of a machine - and it was a blast getting it dirty too!"

Additional support for the Indian Scout Black Hills Beast came from Aeromach (Floorboards and heel shifter), Dobeck Performance (Engine tuning), Fox Shocks (Suspension), RPW USA (Exhaust), Starr Studios (Paint), Ricochet Customs (Powder coating), BTR Moto (Swingarm and tire chain), Zippers performance (Chain Drive Conversion) and Traxxion Dynamics (Front Suspension).

Indian Motorcycle will continue to play with this gritty work of art through upcoming celebrations of custom Scout motorcycles, as part of the Scout Custom Series launched last year with the Wall of Death Scout, and now including the USO Scout and the Black Bullet Scout inspired by land speed racing. For a new video featuring the Black Hills Beast, visit <https://youtu.be/eufOfECTG30>.

Images are available at the Indian Motorcycle Press Site - <http://www.indianmotorcyclepresskit.com/APLA>.  
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A story on the build by IndianMotorcycle.net can be viewed here:  
<http://www.indianmotorcycles.net/threads/black-hills-beast-storms-the-75th-annual-sturgis-rally.8824/>

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