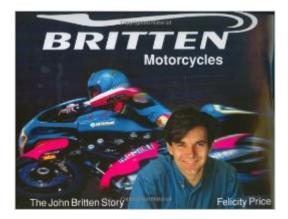
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Synopsis

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This book has useful information and great pictures of John Britten's dream bike. It was ahead of its time and I see no reason why any of the large bike companies can't build it under licence. It is still a very advanced motorcycle, even today.

well written, excellent photography and a very compelling story of one of the Genius of our time. What a shame he had to leave so early. I highly recommend the book !

Thought the book was thorough covering his personal connections with his family, but unfortunately a bit light on his peers and the technical challenges and how he worked his way through them. Nevertheless, he is an inspiration to all us through his application to task and his work ethic.

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