

# Vengeance Vendetta

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**L**et's face it, you can't ride 5 miles without seeing someone on a chopper these days. Long, stretched-out bikes with 10-, 12-, and 24-inch-over frontends seem to dominate the roads. But what do you do if you have never piloted a chopper before, and 40-plus degrees of rake and an extra foot of fork length seems intimidating? Where do you start on the chopper learning scale?

We found out that for 2004, Vengeance Motorcycles turned the \$32,500 Vendetta into the perfect first chopper — with a \$750 addition of raked trees and 6-inch-over fork tubes — especially if you are looking for a bike you want to keep for a while. We were so excited about the idea, we took the prototype model for a chopper test the day we saw it — not to be returned until a month had passed.

The Vendetta is based on a Daytec Softail-style frame that carries 2 extra inches in both the backbone and downtubes. Rake starts at 37 degrees in the neck, but with the addition of billet trees (our bike was the prototype, so don't expect the hidden turn signals in your lower >

