Feeling the fledgling start-up company needed an aggressive vibe, Vengeance Motorcycles became the moniker that stuck.

Vengeance Motorcycles is based in Mira Loma, California, and they got rolling back in September of 2002. Since that time they've created six models of V-twinpowered ponies that range from boulevard cruisers to the hardcore Vertabreaker, which, as you may have guessed from the name, happens to be a rigid.

a leg over was their Vendetta. This model combines the sleek styling of a custom chopper with the muscular looks of a prostreet machine. The chassis is a tried and true Daytec that features 2 inches of stretch up and out and 37 degrees of rake. This is combined with a 4-over hydraulic fork that's chromed end to end, and provides good feel even when navigating traffic. The chassis is topped by a sleek teardrop tank which is complemented by a clean strutless rear fender that has the license plate frenched in, and tire hugging front, all of which are covered with eye-popping paint that is colormatched with the powdercoated frame.

Powered by a polished S&S 113-incher, The first model we had a chance to throw this bike is plenty of fun going from stoplight to stoplight, and runs plenty strong out on the open road when you drop it into top gear of the 5-speed box and roll on the throttle. Of course slowing these powerful ponies down hasn't been forgotten. Brembo will be