



Benelli TNT 300: Gear-Up. Burn-Out. Storm-Away.

The 300cc class has become a serious category recently, and for many good reasons. These machines offer a wonderful mix of spirited performance, agile handling, sporty looks and bang-for-the-buck value. And Benelli's new **TNT 300** has all of that and more! It's a thoroughly modern 300cc naked bike with the looks and performance of a much larger motorcycle.

The heart of the **TNT 300** is its liquid-cooled, vertical twin-cylinder engine that shares much of its architecture from the inline-four engine powering our 600cc TNT 600 sportbike. This modern engine uses double overhead camshafts and 4-valve cylinder head technology to maximize horsepower and torque, and is able to generate an amazing 37 horsepower from just 300cc.

There's a 6-speed transmission, too, which means riders will always have a perfect gear for whatever condition they encounter. Electronic fuel-injection keeps throttle response crisp and dependable, while electric starting makes it easy to get going.

The **TNT 300's** steel-trellis frame is lightweight and state-of-the-art, and positions the engine optimally for the best possible handling characteristics. Suspension is modern and adjustable, and includes a 41mm inverted fork and a lateral-mount shock connected to a lightweight trellis swingarm. The ride is controlled yet comfortable, just the thing when roads turn a little rough or tricky.

Wheels are lightweight 17-inchers in beautiful cast aluminum, and each carries a sticky, modern radial – a 110/70 front and a 140/70 in back. Brakes are modern and powerful, a 260mm disc with a floating caliper up front and a 240mm disc in back.

The **TNT 300** is as stylish as it is mechanically competent, with sensuously curvy body parts, a minimalistic cockpit fairing with modern instrumentation, a slickly designed seat and tail-section. All of which makes it a standout performer in the suddenly serious 300cc category.

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