



1907 Ford Model N Runabout



Manufacturing Information

Manufactured By	Ford Motor Company
Assembled At	Ford Piquette Avenue Plant
Model Production	2,194 (this model only in 1907)
Annual Production	14,887 (all vehicles this manufacturer in 1907)
Body	Runabout
Horsepower	15
Weight	800 pounds/363 kilograms
1907 Cost	\$600 (USD)

Innovations

- Cast iron flywheel mounted to the front of the engine
- First Ford to employ mass production techniques
- Model N demonstrated Henry Ford's vision of the ideal product
- Piquette production reached 100 cars per day

Very Reliable and Low-Cost

Because the Model N was inexpensive, reliable, simple and small, it was a very popular automobile.

Two-seater runabouts like this 1907 Ford Model N were favored by middle-class Americans who could afford one. They were fast and rugged. Most runabouts featured one- or two-cylinder engines and bicycle-style chain drives. But this Ford Model N offered four cylinders and a shaft drive, plus it cost less. At \$600, it became the bestselling car in America.

Jerry VanOoteghem

On loan from Jerry VanOoteghem of Grosse Pointe, Michigan. Jerry has several cars on loan to Piquette. He is also a very active member of the Piquette T's – a Model T club hosted at this museum.



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