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2012 CAN-AM SPYDER RT ROADSTER:

» Purpose-built for the extended road trip

When it comes to adventurous travel, the perfect way to journey down the open road is aboard the seat on the Can-Am® Spyder® RT. This highly innovative and stylish touring three-wheel roadster is made to explore. It confidentially and sophisticatedly revolutionizes travel by combining the open-air freedom of a motorcycle and the peace of mind of a luxury car. Whether it's a solo getaway or a two-up touring vacation, the luxurious Can-Am Spyder RT lineup supplies comfort, convenience and performance levels to make the trek that much more enjoyable.

For 2012, BRP has added a new LCD display coloration on all Can-Am Spyder RT roadster packages. Aside from the base Spyder RT roadster model, all Spyder RT packages are also available in a new color schemes. Quantum Blue Metallic (standard Spyder RT Audio & Convenience and Spyder RT-S), Lava Bronze Metallic (Spyder RT Limited) are new and join Pure Magnesium Metallic, Viper Red and Pearl White as available color choices in the lineup. The Spyder RT-S roadster will wear exclusively the Dark Mist Gray colored six-spoke front wheels to add to its edgier appearance. Finally, the Spyder RT Limited package, introduced a year ago, gets a host of chrome accents and seat upgrade for an even more refined look.

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The Can-Am Spyder RT lineup separates itself from the Spyder RS roadster models with its upright body positioning, luxury-car-inspired composition and distinct outer form. This distinguishing style creates a fit-and-finish that's unique to the industry and attention grabbing. Feature comforts include industry-leading Dynamic Power Steering (DPS™), cruise control, 41 gallons (155 L) of onboard storage, passenger-themed ergonomics, adjustable electric windshield, wind deflectors, heated grips, high-end saddle with integrated lumbar supports and much more.

All the Can-Am Spyder RT are delightful at cruising speeds, but their liquid-cooled 998cc Rotax V-Twin engine calibrated for touring has the necessary torque and performance. Electronic fuel injection ensures instantaneous throttle response and improved fuel efficiency. The Rotax mill puts out 80 lb.-ft. of torque at just 5,000 rpm, so it is exceptional at handling the extra weight of fully loading the cargo holds, a passenger and even a pull-behind trailer. An optional trailer from BRP, the RT-622, offers an additional 164 gallons (622 L) of storage.

A traditional 5-speed gearbox with foot shift and manual clutch (SM5) comes standard on the standard Spyder RT roadster and includes reverse. A semi-automatic, five-speed (including reverse) electronic transmission (SE5™) requires no clutching or manual shifts and is available on all the other Spyder RT roadster variations. Shifting is done via the left thumb and left forefinger.

The Can-Am Spyder RT roadster is available in four packages (standard Spyder RT, Spyder RT Audio & Convenience, Spyder RT-S and Spyder RT Limited). The standard Spyder RT is basis for each model, but then each package adds another level of technology and an enhanced level of sophistication. Add-ons include such items as a sound system with iPod® compatibility, AM / FM and (optional) satellite radio, push-button controls, adjustable rear air suspension, GPS navigation, LED lighting, exclusive colors and more.

VITAL INFO: CAN-AM SPYDER RT LIMITED

SNAPSHOT:

BRP has traditionally and successfully launched luxurious "limited" models in many segments of the powersports market. For 2012, the Spyder RT Limited roadster is even more magnificent with its new exclusive upgrades.

The Spyder RT Limited starts with a Spyder RT-S platform and improves upon it with an integrated GPS system, two exclusive colors, four travel bags, travel cover, chrome accents and a specially embroidered seat. However, with its Rotax V-Twin engine, proprietary SST chassis, precision handling and unmatched comfort, the Spyder RT Limited roadster is much more than just an elegant façade.

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ADDED FEATURES OVER SPYDER RT-S

- » Handlebar-mounted Garmin[®] Zumo[®] 660 color touchscreen GPS, integrated into vehicle electronics system and Bluetooth[®]
- » New aluminum six-spoke chrome wheels
- » New chrome accents: Mirrors, exhaust tip and heat shield
- » 4 Semi-rigid travel bags for side, front and rear cargo compartments
- » Pearl White color (returns for 2012) with black embroidered seat
- » New Lava Bronze Metallic color with new tan embroidered seat
- » Travel cover



NEW RT LIMITED TAN SEAT
(Lava Bronze Metallic only)

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2012?

- » New amber-colored multi-function Dot-matrix display
- » New Lava Bronze Metallic color scheme with embroidered Tan seat
- » New aluminum six-spoke chrome front wheels
- » New chrome accents: mirrors, heat shield and exhaust tip



INTEGRATED GARMIN GPS

DOT-MATRIX DISPLAY:

- » New amber multi-function Dot-matrix display coloration for improved contrast at night

AVAILABLE COLORS:

- » Pearl White with black seat color (incl. passenger backrest and driver lumbar rest support)
- » New Lava Bronze Metallic with new tan seat color (incl. passenger backrest and driver lumbar rest support)



SPYDER RT LTD FRONT CARGO TRAVEL BAG



» PEARL WHITE



» NEW LAVA BRONZE METALLIC

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WHEELS:

- » *Aluminum six-spoke front wheels with an attractive chrome finish.*

CHROME ACCENTS:

- » *Chrome was added to the exhaust tip, heat shield and mirrors to not only match the new chrome wheels, but also to enhance the Spyder RT Limited premium fit-and-finish.*

AVAILABLE TRANSMISSIONS:

- » *SE5 5-speed electronic semi-automatic with reverse*

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» PURE MAGNESIUM METALLIC



» VIPER RED



» QUANTUM BLUE METALLIC

VITAL INFO: CAN-AM SPYDER RT-S

SNAPSHOT:

From its electronically adjustable rear air-control suspension to its passenger accommodations and stellar fit-and-finish, the Can-Am Spyder RT-S makes long journeys very enjoyable. This touring roadster received ventilation updates and important front suspension changes a year ago for an improved riding experience. It also gets a few updates for the 2012 model year. Along with the new Dot-matrix display coloration, the Spyder RT-S roadster has a new front wheel coloration to give it a more unique and impressive look. The Spyder RT-S is available in three attractive color schemes, including a new Quantum Blue Metallic color. The highly attractive Viper Red and Pure Magnesium Metallic also return for 2012.

ADDED FEATURES OVER SPYDER AUDIO & CONVENIENCE

- » Aluminum six-spoke wheel with Dark Mist Gray coloration finish for an exclusive look
- » Electronically adjustable rear air suspension with auto leveling
- » Two additional rear speakers with independent passenger audio controls
- » Special-edition chrome trim
- » Fog lamps and LED running lights
- » 3.5 mm audio player input
- » Front cargo light and front liner

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2012?

- » New Quantum Blue Metallic
- » New Dark Mist Gray front wheel coloration
- » Amber coloration for Dot-matrix display

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AVAILABLE COLORS:

- » *New Quantum Blue Metallic*
- » *Viper Red returns and is exclusive to the Spyder RT-S roadster*
- » *Pure Magnesium Metallic is also available for 2012.*

WHEELS:

- » *Aluminum six-spoke front wheels feature new Dark-Mist Gray coloration exclusive to the Spyder RT-S roadster.*

DOT-MATRIX DISPLAY:

- » *New amber multi-function Dot-matrix display coloration for improved contrast at night.*

AVAILABLE TRANSMISSIONS:

- » *SM5 5-speed manual with reverse*
- » *SE5 5-speed electronic semi-automatic with reverse*

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VITAL INFO: CAN-AM SPYDER RT AUDIO & CONVENIENCE

SNAPSHOT:

To make touring even more enjoyable, BRP engineers added a fully integrated audio system and other convenience features to create the Can-Am Spyder RT Audio & Convenience roadster. The iPod-compatible audio system lets you ride off into the sunset while listening to your favorite tunes, yet features an integrated speed-compensating volume to maintain the vehicle's road etiquette. Convenience items like heated passenger handgrips, push-button cargo release and a superbly plush seat all contribute to the Spyder RT Audio & Convenience model's deluxe surroundings.

ADDED FEATURES OVER SPYDER RT

- » AM/FM audio system with iPod compatibility and handlebar controls
- » Speed-compensating volume
- » Heated passenger handgrips with intensity controls and lighted switch
- » Secondary gauges (fuel, engine temperature)
- » Electronic push-button front cargo release
- » Available semi-auto transmission (SE5)

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WHAT'S NEW FOR 2012?

- » *New color choice: Quantum Blue Metallic*
- » *Dot-matrix display with amber coloration*

AVAILABLE COLORS:

- » *New Quantum Blue Metallic*
- » *Pure Magnesium Metallic returns for 2012*

DOT-MATRIX DISPLAY:

- » *New amber multi-function Dot-matrix display coloration for improved contrast at night*

AVAILABLE TRANSMISSIONS:

- » *SM5 5-speed manual with reverse*
- » *SE5 5-speed electronic semi-automatic with reverse*

VITAL INFO: CAN-AM SPYDER RT

SNAPSHOT:

The standard Can-Am Spyder RT roadster is more capable of short or long getaways thanks to the bevy of upgrades it received last year, including improved suspension, enhanced ventilation and other ergonomic refinements. For 2012, the Spyder RT roadster features a new Dot-matrix display color for improved visual clarity on night excursions. All these important improvements, along with the model's proven Rotax engine performance, innovative Y architecture and unmatched handling, make the Spyder RT roadster the answer for those looking to escape and cruise in style.

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2012?

- » *New Dot-matrix display coloration*

DOT-MATRIX DISPLAY:

- » *New amber multi-function Dot-matrix display coloration for improved contrast at night*

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AVAILABLE TRANSMISSIONS:

- » 5-speed manual (SM5) with reverse

AVAILABLE COLORS:

- » Pure Magnesium Metallic

KEY SPYDER RT TECHNOLOGIES

CHASSIS LCD DISPLAY:

Y ARCHITECTURE

With its two-wheels up front and single rear wheel in the rear, the Can-Am Spyder RT is defined by its Y architecture. This configuration also provides the open-air feel of a motorcycle, but complements that feature with the stability reminiscent of a dialed-in sports car.

SST™ FRAME

Proven on the BRP Can-Am ATVs, the Surrounding Spar Technology frame, which is an exclusive technology to BRP and is designed to reduce weight while at the same time offering increased durability with less parts. This chassis also contributes to the Spyder RT roadster's low center of gravity and impressive handling.

DOUBLE A-ARM FRONT SUSPENSION WITH ANTI-ROLL BAR

The Double A-arm front suspension geometry, which includes dual shocks and more than 5.9 inches (151 mm) of suspension travel — was built to please with its precision handling and point-and-shoot dynamics. A standard anti-roll bar ensures optimal cornering while delivering a smooth and stable ride. The Spyder RT model has a slightly wider track than the Spyder RS roadster model for improved stability and handling.

REAR SWING ARM WITH SHOCK

The single-rear wheel-and-tire set-up supplies superb traction and acceleration while the single shock absorber — with pneumatic adjustable preload — is more than capable of soaking up the road and providing a cushioned ride.

ELECTRONICALLY ADJUSTED REAR SUSPENSION

Onboard controls located in the console allow the driver to pneumatically adjust the rear air suspension preload to optimize ride quality for varying passenger and cargo configurations. [Standard on Spyder RT-S and Spyder RT Limited only]

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DYNAMIC POWER STEERING

DPS™ is an electronically controlled power steering system, which provides the rider with a varying assist when turning the handlebars. The amount of assistance varies with the speed of the vehicle to adjust the steering effort to a comfortable level.

POWERTRAIN:

ROTAX 998CC ENGINE

The Rotax 998cc engine in the Spyder RT is specifically calibrated to provide smooth-yet-powerful performance for touring. Peak torque available at lower rpm (80 lb.-ft. of torque @ 5,000 rpm). The muscular Rotax engine has proven itself in motorcycle racing over the years and is as powerful as it is reliable. Electronic fuel injection means precise throttle response, crisp acceleration, reliable starting and improved fuel economy.

BELT DRIVE

The Spyder RT roadster features a final belt drive, as opposed to a chain or shaft drive design, which attaches to the rear sprocket. This set-up efficiently and smoothly transfers power to the ground and offers simple maintenance.

SM5 TRANSMISSION

The SM5 transmission features a smooth-shifting 5-speed gearbox with reverse with a traditional manual clutch and foot shifter.

SE5 TRANSMISSION

The optional semi-automatic transmission uses an electronic 5-speed gearbox with reverse that is controlled by the rider's left thumb and forefinger. Shift up using the left thumb lever and then down shift using the left forefinger. The intelligent system also automatically downshifts when the roadster comes to a stop.

REVERSE

The easy-to-use reverse mechanism features a push-button design and improves maneuvering in tight areas.

VEHICLE STABILITY SYSTEM

VSS, developed in partnership with Bosch, incorporates proven technologies borrowed from the automotive industry and combines those with the Y architecture to create unmatched control during adverse situations. The engineers behind this system seamlessly integrated Stability Control, Traction Control and an Anti-lock braking system and specifically calibrated VSS for use in the Can-Am Spyder roadster and its three-wheel configuration. The Vehicle Stability System provides peace of mind for an incredibly confident ride.

The VSS also earned the 2010 Automotive News PACE awards for innovation partnership.

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STABILITY CONTROL SYSTEM

This system relates the Can-Am roadster's intended direction, using inputs for handlebar and throttle positioning and the vehicle's actual direction and then acts seamlessly and immediately to correct the situation. If they are not the same, the system reduces engine rpm and/or individually slows (actively brakes) the wheels to correct the course.

ANTI-LOCK BRAKING SYSTEM

ABS not only helps to maintain the vehicle's maneuverability during aggressive braking situations, but it also gives the Can-Am roadster a shorter stopping distance than most automobiles. The system uses integrated wheel sensors to determine if a wheel is at risk of locking under braking. To keep maneuverability optimal, the system seamlessly and rapidly engages and disengages (or pulses) the brake to allow the driver to steer in the intended direction.

TRACTION CONTROL SYSTEM

If the rear wheel loses traction, the TCS will sense it and instantaneously reduces engine rpm until sufficient grip returns.

CONVENIENCE/COMFORT

Key to the Spyder RT touring roadster experience; a gratifyingly comfortable experience

ELECTRIC START

Reliable, push-button starting ensures a quick getaway.

ELECTRIC ADJUSTABLE WINDSHIELD

The windshield on the Spyder RT roadsters easily adjusts in height with the press of a button.

ULTRA COMFORT TOURING SADDLE

Ergonomically designed, the first-class seat includes a passenger backrest and driver lumbar support.

MULTI-FUNCTION GAUGE DISPLAY

The new amber-colored multi-function Dot-matrix display offers improved clarity for night riding. It also includes a digital speedometer, tachometer, odometer, trip and hour meters, gear position, temperature, engine lights, electronic fuel gauge and clock.

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ONBOARD STORAGE

When riding long distances, it's reassuring to know the Spyder RT roadster has 41 gallons (155 L) of storage standard. Storage areas include a lockable front trunk, lockable glove box and both side and rear compartments.

D.E.S.S.TM SECURITY SYSTEM

BRP engineers added an extra level of security with the proven Digital Encoded Security System. This system requires the properly coded electronic key in order to operate the roadster.

PASSENGER COMFORT ITEMS

Passenger-controlled heated handgrips offer two intensity levels and add an extra level of comfort in cooler temperatures. Integrated armrests and manually adjustable floorboards provide a more comfortable perch for the rear rider.

CRUISE CONTROL

Electronic cruise control adds another layer of luxury and makes longer rides more comfortable for the driver.

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