

CHAMPION CHOICE PROTECT ALL

Shortcut to a spotless motorcycle

For riders who believe the ride doesn't end until their motorcycles are clean and sparkling in virgin purity, washing a bike can be one of the most-holy ceremonies of man and machine. But there are those of us who either don't have the time or don't want to spend those hours washing when we could be riding instead. We need an easier and quicker path to a clean motorcycle.

The makers of Protect All, a one-shot cleaner that not only removes dirt, but polishes paint, chrome or metal finishes, claim they have the answer. Available in a 13.5-ounce aerosol can (at dealers or from Champion Choice Inc., 1910 E. Via Burton Street, Anaheim, CA 92806; 800/322-4491), Protect All is claimed to be a complete wash-and-wax in one.

This is one of those products that sounds too good to be true; even the writing on the can boasts like a Veg-a-matic salesman on late-night cable television. But, remarkably enough, Protect All lives up to its claims and couldn't be easier to use. First, mist the entire area, then rub the surface clean with a dry cloth. With a second cloth, you then polish the same area. Protect All removes oil and grease easily, though it has a harder time with accumulated road grime and chain lube. An average-sized motorcycle takes about 15 minutes to wash and shine, and, by our estimates, an \$8 spray can of Protect All should provide about five cleanings.

Granted, Protect All is not a miracle product. It will not replace a periodic and thorough hot-soap-and-water cleaning, nor will it protect as well as a comprehensive paste-wax job. It is, however, one of the best all-around cleaners we've used for spiffing-up everything from wheels to windscreens, providing an easy, no-mess way to keep your machine looking good. For those of us who would rather spend our time riding than cleaning, it's all that we need.