
2004 Model Information

MARKETING CODE: **KLV1000A**

MODEL NAME: **KLV1000**



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OVERALL CONCEPT

Part Tourer, part Sport bike, the KLV1000 is not easily categorised. Designed primarily for road use, but capable of continuing onward when the pavement stops, this multi-role machine combines the convenience and comfort of a touring model with sporty performance care of a powerful V-Twin engine and a lightweight aluminium chassis. And if you have lots to take with you on your cross-continent trek, the KLV1000 happily accommodates. With this new model, Kawasaki provides a motorcycle that caters to riders with an adventurous spirit.



The KLV1000's key sales features can be summarised as follows:

- **Versatile Chassis** – Chassis dimensions and wheelbase chosen for high-speed stability *and* sporty handling. Long-travel suspension delivers a comfortable ride over a wide range of road surfaces *and* provides excellent feedback for sport riding. Dry weight is closer to that of a sport bike than that of a tourer.
- **Handy Touring Features** – Comfortable riding position and convenient features like a large-capacity fuel tank, adjustable windscreen, luggage rack and optional panniers make all-day touring a breeze.
- **Compact, Powerful Engine with High Technology Features** – 90° V-Twin engine delivers strong, accessible power across the rev range. Valve train and shaft arrangement contribute to a compact package. High-tech features include plated aluminium cylinders, forged pistons and a digital fuel injection system with dual throttle valves.

KEY SALES FEATURES

VERSATILE CHASSIS

Chassis

- * Aluminium-alloy twin-spar frame is lighter than the steel frames found on competitors, and combined with an aluminium-alloy swingarm contributes to a low dry weight of 208 kg – more in line with that a sport bike than that of a tourer.
- * Chassis geometry balances stability and comfort with responsive handling. The wheelbase of 1,550 mm is sufficiently long to ensure stable high-speed cruising, while not so long that it blunts steering responses. And an overall height of 1,340 mm means the KLV1000 is tall enough to allow a relaxed riding position without being top-heavy.
- * The twin mufflers are high-mounted for additional clearance. They also add to the bike's sporty look.



Suspension

- * Wheel travel (F: 160 mm; R: 162 mm) is sufficient to maintain comfort on a wide range of surface conditions, while the 43 mm cartridge fork and piggyback rear mono-shock are damped to provide excellent feedback when sport riding.
- * Rear shock features adjustable rebound damping and a convenient, knob-operated hydraulic spring preload adjuster, so spring preload can be easily adjusted without tools to compensate for varying luggage loads or a passenger. (Photo 1)

