

CARE & MAINTENANCE

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FREEDOM IS YOURS!

Hearty congratulations and enormous thanks for purchasing a magnificent hand-built Pashley bicycle. You have joined an elite family of New Zealanders who are rediscovering the pure, uncomplicated joy of cycling for leisure on machines lovingly crafted for style, comfort and reliability.

Your Pashley will serve you a lifetime – and beyond. It is a treasured possession that can be passed from generation to generation without losing any of its aesthetic appeal or performance. Pashleys are truly timeless.

A bit of routine care and maintenance will ensure your Pashley is ready to facilitate your luxury cycling lifestyle day after day, season after season, and year after year. Just follow the simple guidelines in this booklet and you can't go wrong!

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PRE-RIDE CHECKLIST

- Check that the handlebars, wheels, pedals and saddle are secure.
- If you haven't already done so, adjust the handlebar and saddle height to suit your riding style (see page 4).
- Check that you know how the gears and brakes operate.
- Check that your tyres are inflated correctly (see below).
- Check that the handlebar stem bolts are tight by holding the front wheel between your feet and attempting to turn the handlebars.
- Check wheel security, particularly the front wheel. Axle nuts may loosen over time and with use, so check that they are tight before every ride.

TYRE PRESSURE

Before every ride, check that your tyres are inflated correctly. Use a gauge to ensure the pressure is at the recommended level (as written on the side wall of the tyre).



ONE MONTH CHECKLIST

Check brake calibration (see page 6) and adjust if necessary.

Check gear calibration (see pages 5 and 6) and adjust if necessary.

DONE

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THREE MONTH CHECKLIST

Call your best friend and tell them how magnificently your Pashley is performing. There's nothing to be done other than the regular pre-ride checks on page 2.

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SIX MONTH CHECKLIST

Consider changing from a wet to dry lubricant or vice-versa (see page 7), depending on the time of year.

Start learning Italian. Still nothing else to be done.

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ONE YEAR CHECKLIST

Make a note in your 'Long-Term Projects' journal that your Pashley might benefit from a full service by your local bike specialist in five to ten years.

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SEAT ADJUSTMENT

Use a 13mm hexagonal spanner to loosen the nut at the top of the seat stem. Lift or drop the saddle to the desired height then ensure the nut is firmly re-tightened. On models with a quick-release lever, pull it fully outwards, adjust the seat height, then ensure the lever is returned fully inwards.



HANDLEBAR ADJUSTMENT

To adjust handlebar height, remove the rubber plug from the top of the handlebar stem (plug is not present on some models), then use a 6mm hex key to loosen the bolt. Lift or drop the handlebar stem to the desired height, then ensure the bolt is firmly re-tightened. Always replace the plug.



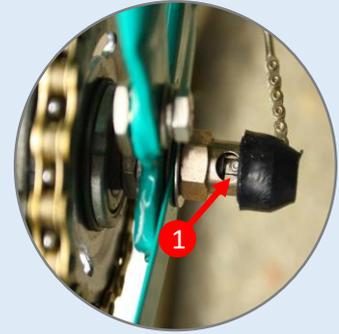
To adjust handlebar tilt, use a 6mm hex key to loosen the bolt on the front of the stem attachment, then rotate the handlebar until the desired angle is achieved. Ensure the handlebar is centred before retightening.

GEAR ADJUSTMENT

Gear mechanisms vary from Pashley to Pashley. Occasional recalibration of the gear cable may be necessary, as cables may stretch with use.

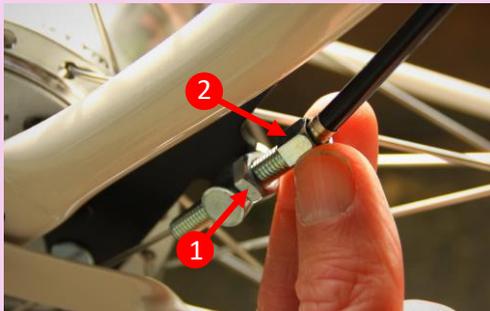
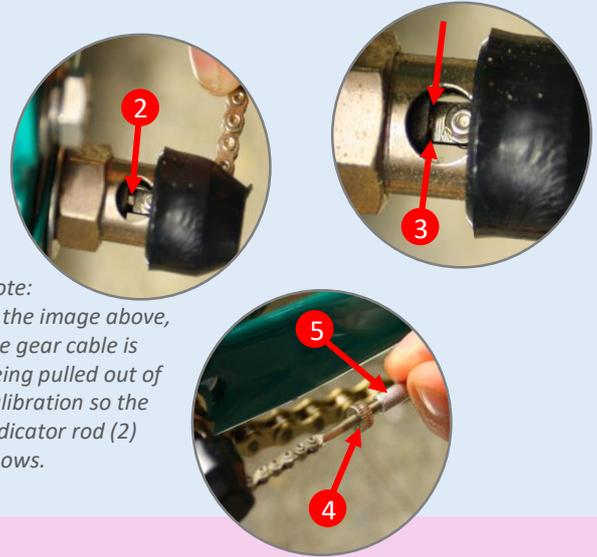
To check calibration on models that feature a Sturmey Archer 5-speed hub mechanism, set the gear shifter to 2nd gear and check the coloured markers on the chain side of the rear axle. The markers should line up precisely. If they don't, rotate the adjusting barrel on the gear cable (where it attaches to the gear shifter on the handlebar) until the markers are aligned.

To calibrate models featuring a Sturmey Archer 3-speed mechanism, select 2nd gear and turn the pedal crank forward to ensure the gear is engaged. Look carefully into the hole in the rear axle nut (1) through which



the gear cable is visible. There is an indicator rod (2) on the cable where it passes through the axle into the hub. In 2nd gear, the rod should sit flush with the end of the axle, as shown in photograph (3). If it doesn't, adjust by first loosening the cable-adjusting locknut (4) then rotating the adjacent barrel (5) located on the cable. Once you are satisfied with the position of the indicator rod, retighten the locknut.

Finally, select 3rd gear position, rotate the pedal crank, then change back to 2nd gear and check the adjustment.



BRAKE ADJUSTMENT

Over time, with repeated use, brake cables may stretch and create too much 'travel' in the brake lever movement. To tighten, first loosen the locknut (1) near where the cable enters the hub, then rotate the adjacent adjusting barrel (2) to shorten the cable. Once you're happy with the amount of movement in the brake lever, retighten the locknut.

LUBRICATION

- Very few parts of your Pashley require lubrication.
- If your bicycle has a fully enclosed chaincase, apply a drop of lubricant to each link. We recommend wet lubricant in winter and dry lubricant in summer.
- If your bicycle has an exposed chain, a lubricant spray such as GT85 or TF2, regularly applied (especially after wet weather) will work well. Oil is fine but will attract dirt.
- A drop of lubricant on brake lever pivots, gear shifting chains and three speed shifters (NOT five speed shifters) will help to keep them working smoothly.
- If cables are stiff to operate, lubricate with WD40 or similar.
- Hubs, pedals and bottom bracket units are sealed for life. Rear hubs (3 and 5 speed) may benefit from grease replacement every five to ten years.



CLEANING

A clean bicycle not only looks sharp, it's also more reliable as any maintenance issues are much easier to spot.

Clean your bicycle using a car shampoo (not domestic washing-up liquids as they contain salts) and a soft brush or sponge. Take care to keep the leather saddle and handlebar grips dry.

Don't forget to clean the wheels and tyres – it'll help you spot any glass or grit embedded in the tyre, and make repairing a puncture less of a chore.

If you live by the coast, clean your bicycle frequently to prevent corrosion.

