

Can a 100-year-old Model T drive around the world?

A 100-year-old Ford Model T is on a challenge to drive around the world.

Dirk and Trudy Regter from the Netherlands have owned their 1915 Ford Model T since 1997, and began their journey in the summer of 2012.

The couple, both retired, have so far covered almost 50,000 miles, visiting and supporting various projects run by the international children's aid organization: SOS Children's Villages.

The Ford Model T covered 14,000 miles in 180 days during the first leg of the drive in 2012, which took them from their hometown of Edam, to Cape Town in South Africa.

In 2013 the couple drove through the USA and Canada, crossing 22 States during their 17,000-mile, 180-day road trip. In 2014 they ticked off another 16,000 miles through South America in a further 180 days.

Sadly, the Model T was involved in an accident when it returned to Europe.

However, the couple plan to continue their journey through New Zealand, Australia, Indonesia, and India, crossing the Hima-

layas to China, through Mongolia and back to the Netherlands via Central Europe during 2016 and 2017.

Dirk previously owned a 1923 Ford Model T and a 1928 Ford Model A, inheriting his passion for vintage Fords from his father and grandfather.

Ford built 15,000,000 Model Ts between 1908 and 1927. Production started in the US but quickly expanded worldwide, including assembly plants in Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Spain and at Trafford Park in the UK. The Ford Model T helped put the world on wheels, and owed its mass appeal to its affordability, reliability and ease of maintenance with standard, interchangeable parts.

The Regters Ford Model T is powered by a 3.0-litre gasoline engine and is unaltered from its standard 1915 factory specification. The single exception is larger tires for the wooden-spoked wheels, making the ride softer for long journeys.

Watch Dirk recount the highs and lows of their amazing journey so far:

<https://youtu.be/hhwVjJvEjAs>



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