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1946 ERCO Ercoupe 415-C

Münster, Germany



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DESCRIPTION

The 1946 ERCO Ercoupe 415-C is a distinctive classic aircraft for sale with one of the most recognizable silhouettes in post-war American general aviation. Compact, elegant, easy to identify, and historically important, the Ercoupe 415-C stands out as a true collector aircraft with strong personality and lasting market appeal.

Designed to make flying simpler, safer, and more accessible, the ERCO Ercoupe became famous for its unique twin-tail configuration, low-wing layout, tricycle landing gear, and famously simplified control concept. For buyers looking for an aircraft that is visually charming, historically meaningful, and different from the usual vintage high-wing tailwheel aircraft, the 1946 Ercoupe 415-C is a very strong CollectAirs candidate.

For search intent, this listing can target Ercoupe 415-C for sale , ERCO Ercoupe for sale , classic aircraft for sale , vintage aircraft auction , low-wing vintage aircraft , two-seat aircraft , and collector aircraft .

Key Listing Highlights

Highlight

Why It Matters

Classic aircraft for sale

Strong appeal for vintage aircraft collectors and pilots

ERCO Ercoupe 415-C

One of the most recognizable post-war American light aircraft

Two-seat aircraft

Simple, focused, and ideal for personal flying

Low-wing aircraft

Sportier visual character than many high-wing classics

Tricycle landing gear

More approachable ground handling than many tailwheel aircraft

Twin-tail aircraft

Unique ramp presence and strong collector identity

Vintage aircraft auction

Ideal for a visually distinctive CollectAirs listing

A Unique Post-War Aircraft with Real Collector Appeal

The ERCO Ercoupe was created around a simple idea: make flying easier and more confidence-inspiring for private pilots. The design is instantly recognizable thanks to its compact low-wing fuselage, bubble-style cabin, twin vertical tails, and fixed tricycle landing gear.

The Ercoupe 415-C is especially important because it became one of the key post-war production versions. AOPA notes that the 415-C is often considered one of the most desirable Ercoupe variants, partly because many examples remain eligible for Light Sport Aircraft operation depending on configuration and certification details.

This makes the 1946 ERCO Ercoupe 415-C attractive not only as a vintage aircraft , but also as a practical and approachable ownership proposition for pilots who want classic character without unnecessary complexity.

Technical Features & Flying Character

The Ercoupe 415-C is a single-engine piston aircraft with two seats, fixed tricycle landing gear, low-wing configuration, twin vertical stabilizers, and a simple cockpit layout. AOPA lists the 415-C with a Continental C-75-12 engine, 75 hp , fixed-pitch propeller, two seats, 30 ft wingspan, 1,260 lb maximum gross weight, and 458 lb useful load.

The aircraft's flying character is relaxed, predictable, and economical. AOPA describes the Ercoupe as cruising at about 100 mph while burning just over 5 gallons per hour , making it an efficient classic for recreational flying and light touring.

Core Technical Appeal

- Single-engine piston aircraft configuration
- Continental C-75-12 engine heritage
- Fixed-pitch propeller simplicity
- Two-seat aircraft layout
- Low-wing aircraft profile
- Fixed tricycle landing gear
- Distinctive twin-tail aircraft design
- Strong appeal as a classic aircraft for sale

Exterior & Interior Character

The exterior of the 1946 ERCO Ercoupe 415-C is defined by its compact fuselage, low-wing stance, rounded nose, fixed tricycle gear, and twin vertical tails. Compared with many post-war aircraft, the Ercoupe has a more futuristic and almost automotive personality, which makes it stand out immediately in a CollectAirs listing.

Inside, the aircraft offers a simple two-seat cockpit with excellent visibility and straightforward controls. Aviation Consumer notes that the Ercoupe's cockpit floor has no traditional rudder pedals, with just one pedal for brakes, reflecting the aircraft's simplified control philosophy.

Visual Features That Make the Ercoupe 415-C Stand Out

- Distinctive twin-tail aircraft silhouette
- Compact low-wing aircraft profile
- Rounded post-war fuselage shape
- Fixed tricycle landing gear
- Simple two-seat cabin
- Large canopy-style cockpit visibility
- Strong ramp presence for vintage aircraft auction photography

Ownership Appeal

The 1946 ERCO Ercoupe 415-C is ideal for buyers who want a collector aircraft that is different from the usual tailwheel classics. It is approachable, visually distinctive, and historically meaningful.

For private owners, the Ercoupe 415-C offers economical recreational flying and simple systems. For collectors, it offers a strong story: an aircraft designed around accessible flying, post-war optimism, and unconventional engineering.

As a vintage aircraft for sale , the Ercoupe is particularly suitable for pilots, collectors, museums, and aviation enthusiasts who want something memorable, conversation-starting, and easy to recognize.

Best Suited For

Buyer Type

Why This Aircraft Fits

Vintage aircraft collectors

Unique design and strong post-war identity

Private owner-pilots

Economical and approachable recreational aircraft

Light touring pilots

Relaxed cruise and simple operation

Aviation museums

Historically relevant simplified-control aircraft

Flying clubs

Interesting classic aircraft for members and events

Classic aviation enthusiasts

Distinctive look and strong emotional appeal

The Perfect Airplane For

This 1946 ERCO Ercoupe 415-C is perfect for a buyer looking for a classic aircraft for sale that feels different, memorable, and historically important.

It is especially well suited to buyers who appreciate:

- Vintage aircraft ownership
- ERCO Ercoupe history
- Low-wing vintage aircraft
- Two-seat aircraft
- Tricycle landing gear aircraft
- Twin-tail aircraft design
- Single-engine piston aircraft
- Collector aircraft with personality

The Ercoupe 415-C is not the obvious choice for someone seeking high cruise speed, large payload, or modern touring performance. It is the right aircraft for someone who values originality, simplicity, economy, and one of the most distinctive designs in classic general aviation.

Pros & Considerations

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Considerations

Strong collector aircraft appeal

Limited payload compared with larger aircraft

Very distinctive twin-tail aircraft design

Two-seat cabin only

Economical single-engine piston aircraft operation

Performance is modest by modern standards

Approachable fixed tricycle landing gear

Exact LSA eligibility depends on configuration and documentation

Strong post-war aviation history

Condition, corrosion, and logbooks should be reviewed carefully

Great visual identity for CollectAirs

Some parts and model-specific knowledge may require specialist support

Review-Style Summary

The 1946 ERCO Ercoupe 415-C is a strong CollectAirs listing because it has something many aircraft do not: instant personality. It is recognizable, approachable, unusual, and historically important.

Its greatest strength is differentiation. While many vintage listings feature similar high-wing tailwheel layouts, the Ercoupe 415-C offers a low-wing profile, tricycle landing gear, and twin-tail design that immediately stands out in search results, social media visuals, and auction previews.

For CollectAirs, this aircraft can perform well around search terms such as Ercoupe 415-C for sale , ERCO Ercoupe for sale , classic aircraft for sale , vintage aircraft auction , two-seat aircraft , low-wing aircraft , and collector aircraft .

Key Takeaways

- The ERCO Ercoupe 415-C is a distinctive post-war classic aircraft with strong collector appeal.
- Its low-wing aircraft layout, twin-tail aircraft design, and tricycle gear make it visually memorable.
- The aircraft is ideal for private pilots, collectors, museums, and vintage aircraft enthusiasts.
- It offers economical flying and a unique ownership story.
- This is a strong listing for buyers searching for Ercoupe 415-C for sale , ERCO Ercoupe for sale , or vintage aircraft auction .

SPECIFICATIONS

General Information

Year	**1946**
Model	**ERCO Ercoupe 415-C**

Engine & Power Systems

Engine	Continental C-75-12
Engine Type	Single 4-cylinder horizontally opposed piston engine
Horsepower	approx. 1 × 75 hp
Propeller Type	2-blade fixed-pitch propeller

Performance & Specifications

Cruise Speed	approx. 96 kt / around 100 mph depending on source and configuration
Range	approx. 400–500 miles depending on fuel, engine, and aircraft configuration
Payload	approx. 458 lb useful load, depending on equipment, fuel load, and aircraft configuration
Passengers	1 passenger + 1 pilot / 2 seats total

PHOTOGRAPHS

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