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Beechcraft Baron B55

Hilpoltstein, Germany



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DESCRIPTION

The Beechcraft Baron B55 represents one of the most respected light twin aircraft in general aviation, combining Beechcraft's premium build quality with strong cross-country performance and classic piston-twin capability. The wider Baron family was introduced in 1961 as a development of the Beechcraft Travel Air, bringing together the cabin heritage of Beechcraft's light twins with the fully swept vertical stabilizer associated with the Debonair. The result was a fast, refined, and highly capable aircraft that became one of the defining personal and business twins of its era.

The B55 belongs to the early 55-series Baron line and became the core "economy" model of the family. While later Barons offered larger engines and higher speeds, the B55 remained highly popular because it delivered the essential Baron experience: twin-engine confidence, a compact yet capable cabin, strong cruise performance, and the unmistakable handling feel that made Beechcraft aircraft so highly regarded among owner-pilots.

Powerplant, Systems & Technical Highlights

At the heart of the Beechcraft Baron B55 are two Continental IO-470-L six-cylinder, fuel-injected piston engines. Each engine produces 260 hp at 2,625 rpm, giving the B55 a balanced combination of performance, reliability, and manageable operating economics for a serious light twin.

- Aircraft type: Light twin-engine piston aircraft
- Configuration: Low-wing, retractable-gear aircraft
- Engines: 2 × Continental IO-470-L
- Engine type: Six-cylinder, fuel-injected piston engines
- Power output: 260 hp per engine
- Cruise speed: Approx. 190 knots at 7,000 ft
- Useful payload: Approx. 1,700 lb, depending on equipment and configuration
- Range: Approx. 720–745 nautical miles, depending on source and operating profile

The B55's technical appeal lies in its classic light-twin formula: retractable landing gear, twin Continental engines, strong climb performance, and efficient high-speed cruise capability. Its combination of speed, payload, and redundancy makes it a meaningful step up from high-performance singles, while still remaining more manageable than larger cabin-class twins.

Exterior & Cockpit

The Beechcraft Baron B55 carries the elegant and purposeful look that helped define the Baron name: a low-wing profile, twin engine nacelles, retractable landing gear, and a clean Beechcraft tail design. Its proportions give it a serious cross-country presence without feeling oversized, making it attractive for owner-pilots who want performance and prestige in a compact twin-engine package.

Inside, the B55 offers a practical cabin layout for personal and business travel. The aircraft was typically delivered with four seats as standard, while a fifth seat was initially optional and a sixth seat later became available in the 55-series line. Access to the rear seats is more limited than in larger cabin aircraft, but the B55 remains valued for its efficient cabin use, forward visibility, and classic Beechcraft cockpit feel.

The cockpit reflects the aircraft's serious pilot-focused character. A Baron B55 rewards disciplined twin-engine procedures, accurate power management, and confident instrument flying. For many pilots, this is part of the aircraft's appeal: it is refined and capable, but still mechanical, involving, and unmistakably connected to the golden era of high-performance piston twins.

The Perfect Airplane For

The Beechcraft Baron B55 is ideal for pilots and owners seeking a fast, refined, and proven light twin with real cross-country capability. It is especially well suited for private owners, business travelers, instrument-rated pilots, and experienced aviators moving up from complex singles into twin-engine performance.

This aircraft is a strong match for those who value:

- A classic Beechcraft light twin
- Twin-engine redundancy and confidence
- Strong cruise performance around the 190-knot class
- A premium owner-flown aircraft with serious cross-country ability

The Baron B55 is not simply a practical twin; it is one of the aircraft that helped define the high-performance personal aircraft category. Fast, elegant, demanding in the right way, and deeply respected, it remains a compelling choice for pilots who want the confidence of two engines and the unmistakable character of a classic Beechcraft.

SPECIFICATIONS

Engine & Power Systems

Engine	**2 × Continental IO-470-L**
Engine Type	**Six-cylinder, fuel-injected piston engines**

Performance & Specifications

Cruise Speed	**180 kn (210 mph, 330 km/h) at 12,000 ft (3,700 m) (55% power)**
Range	**942 nmi (1,084 mi, 1,745 km) at 10,500 ft (3,200 m), 65% power, 45 min reserves**
Payload	**1,700 lb, depending on equipment and configuration**
Passengers	**6**

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EXTERIOR




Baron 55



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