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Groppo Trail 912 UL

Magstadt, Germany



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DESCRIPTION

The Groppo Trail Rotax 912 UL represents a modern Italian-designed light sport and ultralight aircraft built around simplicity, short-field capability, and rugged backcountry usability. Developed by Groppo Aviazione, the Trail was designed for pilots who value STOL performance, low operating costs, and straightforward handling over complexity. Its lightweight structure and high-lift wing design make it particularly well suited for grass strips, mountain flying, and recreational aviation where runway performance and efficiency matter more than speed.

As a two-seat, high-wing STOL aircraft, the Groppo Trail sits firmly in the ultralight and light sport category, offering an accessible entry point for pilots while still delivering impressive short takeoff and landing performance. It is commonly equipped with the Rotax 912 UL engine, making it a reliable, fuel-efficient platform for training, touring, and backcountry exploration.

Powerplant, Systems & Technical Highlights

At the heart of the Groppo Trail is the Rotax 912 UL, a proven and widely used four-cylinder, four-stroke aircraft engine known for its efficiency, smooth operation, and excellent power-to-weight ratio. Producing around 80 hp, it provides enough thrust for strong STOL performance while maintaining low fuel consumption and easy maintenance requirements.

The Groppo Trail is defined less by speed and more by its ability to operate from short, rough, or unimproved airstrips. Its light airframe, efficient wing design, and Rotax reliability make it a favorite among recreational bush-style pilots and sport aviation enthusiasts who prioritize freedom of operation over cross-country speed.

Exterior & Cockpit

The Groppo Trail carries a classic bush-plane aesthetic: a high-wing configuration for excellent visibility and ground clearance, large flaperons for enhanced low-speed control, and a lightweight tubular or composite airframe depending on build variant. Its design is intentionally simple, prioritizing function and accessibility over complexity.

The cockpit is compact but highly practical, typically featuring side-by-side seating with straightforward analog or basic glass avionics depending on the build. Visibility is one of its strongest features, with expansive forward and downward views that make it ideal for short-field approaches, mountain flying, and scenic operations.

Inside, the Trail focuses on pilot experience and simplicity. Controls are light, response is predictable, and systems are intentionally minimal to keep workload low. It is not a luxury aircraft—it is a pure flying machine designed for direct control, low operating cost, and maximum usability in varied terrain.

The Perfect Airplane For

The Groppo Trail Rotax 912 UL is ideal for pilots who prioritize simplicity, STOL capability, and low-cost flying over speed or complexity. It is especially suited for recreational pilots, bush flying enthusiasts, flight training environments, and owners who want a capable backcountry aircraft that can operate from short or unimproved strips.

This aircraft is a strong match for those who value:

True short takeoff and landing performance Low operating and maintenance costs Simple, reliable Rotax 912 UL powerplant High-wing visibility and control Backcountry and grass strip capability Lightweight, easy-handling flight characteristics Accessible ultralight or LSA ownership

The Groppo Trail is not designed to compete with faster touring aircraft—it is designed to go where many aircraft cannot. Simple, rugged, and highly capable at low speeds, it remains a practical choice for pilots who want pure, uncomplicated flying in its most versatile form.

SPECIFICATIONS

General Information

Model	Groppo Trail Rotax 912 UL

Engine & Power Systems

Engine	Rotax 912 UL
Engine Type	Four-cylinder, Four-Stroke, Air and Liquid-Cooled Piston Engine
Horsepower	80 HP
Propeller Type	3-Blade Composite, Ground-adjustable

Performance & Specifications

Cruise Speed	95–115 kt
Range	400–600 nmi

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