## **Basic Operation & Riding**

This section gives basic information on how to begin riding your motorcycle. It includes how to start and stop your engine, how to use the throttle, clutch, and brakes, and what to do when you're through riding.

For more information on how to make turns, ride on hills, etc., see the *Tips & Practice Guide for the Off-Highway Motorcyclist* booklet that came with your Honda (USA only).

To protect your new engine and enjoy optimum performance and service life, refer to Break-in Guidelines (page 151).

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