

# Ferrari Tractor CIE

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## Grain Harvesting - Alternative Technology

Small scale grain growers can use a mower/collector as an alternative to a combine or the reaper/binder. By mowing complete ripe grain stalks, grain can be collected economically and quickly with a wide range of tractors from 16 HP and up. Although imperfect because some grain will no doubt be lost or broken when heads shatter, it, to some degree, performs some of the threshing action as well as saving harvesting and hauling labor. By dumping chopped chaff and grain on a tarp or into a low bin, the material can then be fed into a stationary thresher. Because work of chopping up straw stalks has been done by the mower/collector even the smallest thresher can process more grain.

