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YEAR OF RISING PRODUCTION

Mr. Stanley Clark, Chief Executive of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, has written this article specially for the "Daily Mail" Review of the Motor Show.

THE year represented by this 1958 Motor Show has, for British motor manufacturers, been one of high level trade and rising production.

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This annual publication, catering for the wide appeal of the Show itself, contains a miscellany of news, views and pictures about the exhibits at Earls Court with informative supporting feature articles.

I wish every success to the 1958 edition.

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"The Pessimists Were Wrong"

Writes COURTENAY EDWARDS,
Motoring Correspondent of the Daily Mail

POR months now the pessimists have been saying "It can't possibly last". They were wrong. The British motor industry has gone on, past all expectations, building more and more cars and selling more and more of them abroad.

It really has been a boom year for the car-building firms of Coventry, Birmingham, Oxford, Dagenham and Luton. Magnificently led by the Big Six—Austin, Nuffield, Ford, Vauxhall, Rootes and Standard—who are responsible for 95 per cent of Britain's car output, the industry has almost made a monthly habit of breaking production and export records.

A Record Year?

I write before the August figures are available, but it looks as if 1958 will be a record year for both production AND exports. In the first six months of the year we built 550,669 cars at an average weekly output of 21,180.

So far, the record year for car production was 1955. In the first six months of that year we built 460,740 cars. That is nearly 90,000 fewer than the output for the first half of 1958.

It certainly looks as if this year we shall see the industry's car output pass the million mark for the first time. The export picture is correspondingly bright. We look like selling many more cars abroad this year than last, when the industry achieved record export figures.

Last year 426,272 cars were exported out of a total output of 860,842. That is close on 50 per cent. It was the first time the industry had exported more than 400,000 cars in a single year, the previous best 12 months being 1950, when 398,302 cars were sold abroad.

This is how the British production and export figures compare for the first six months of the past two years:

	Production	Exports
JanJune, 1957	388,572	204,946
,, 1958	550,669	250,883

The Dock Strike

So far this year the industry as a whole has been relatively free from labour troubles, the main exception being the strikes at various body-building plants.

In June the London dock strike held up thousands of export cars, but the industry was able to catch up on the backlog in July. This helped to boost that month's exports to the record figure of 50,200 cars.

As the Motor Show approached, many hard-headed business men expected almost daily to hear news of a general cut-back in production. For this is the season which traditionally produces the deepest 'valley' in the sales managers' charts. It has been customary over the

years for motorists to stop buying new cars in the weeks immediately preceding the Show. They preferred to wait to see what the new models were like.

But the pattern is changing. The great British Motor Corporation, which supplies the home market with nearly 45 per cent of its cars, has taken the lead in a policy of refusing to 'save up' new models for the Show.

Modernisation Programmes

The continuing expansion of world demand for cars has justified up to the hilt the British motor industry's courage and foresight in investing a total of some £150,000,000 in modernisation programmes designed to give greater and more efficient productive capacity.

The percentage of total output sent abroad by the British industry continues to grow. It rose from 43½% in 1955 to 47½% in the following year and to 49½% in 1957. And it looks as if the 1958 percentage will soar well past the 1958 mark

Yet I doubt if people like Sir Leonard Lord, Sir Patrick Hennessy and Sir William Rootes are really satisfied with Britain's share of a constantly growing world market. A study of the Society of Motor Manufacturers' own figures reveals the disturbing fact that since 1950 Britain's share of world exports has fallen all the time: from 55% in 1950 to 30% last year.

Germany's Exports

While Britain's share has declined, Germany's has expanded. Like this:

	U.K.		Germany		
1950	398,302	(55.3%	68,905	(9.6%)	
1952	309,832	(44.1)	102,689	(14.6)	
1954	373,714	(39.6)	246,537	(26.2)	
1955	390,703	(33.7)	344,463	(29.7)	
1956	337,052	(28.8)	413,352	(35.4)	
1957	426,272	(29.8)	515,882	(36.1)	

It will be noticed that Britain arrested the decline last year. It is also obvious that Germany's recovery is levelling off. Which are Britain's best foreign markets? The U.S. comes right at the top of the list, followed by South Africa, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Sweden.

Last year we sold 94,867 cars to the U.S. Their value was £39½ million. That was a big jump on 1956, when the figures were 38,205 and £17,025,000. We have done even better this year. In the first six months of 1958 we sent 57,843 cars to the U.S. compared with 30,597 in the first half of 1957.

European Market

It was a fine performance, for the fight for sales in the U.S. is a grim business. Germany, France, Italy and Sweden are all using high-pressure salesmanship to push their Volkswagens, Renault Dauphines, Fiats and Volvos.

Last year 206,691 foreign cars were sold in the U.S. The estimate for 1958 is 400,000. This is how the growing market has been shared by the European manufacturers over the last three years:

 Year
 U.K.
 Germany
 France
 Italy
 Sweden

 1955
 25,053
 32,050
 1,142
 165
 —

 1956
 32,317
 58,356
 4,965
 872
 1,627

 1957
 76,982
 85,771
 29,152
 6,434
 8,147

The number of foreign cars sold in the U.S. today is still only a small percentage of total car sales in that country, whose own automobile industry turned out 5,700,000 cars last year (7,200,000 in 1955, their peak year). Yet it is obvious that the Big Three—Ford, General Motors and Chrysler—have already given a great deal of thought to this significant market trend. Reports from Detroit suggest that both General Motors and Ford have plans for a smaller car and the Chrysler Corporation has openly stated it is preparing to enter the small car field.

Smaller Cars

But I am convinced these 'small' U.S. models, if and when they arrive, will still be a lot bigger than the average European model. They will be more comparable, in size, to the Rambler, a relatively compact car built by one of the smaller independent U.S. firms. The sales of this car have jumped in harmony with those of the European models.

It remains to be seen whether smaller American models will ever oust the still smaller European cars. The question is, will they be small enough to satisfy those American motorists who run small European cars because they are cheap to buy, easy to park and economical to operate? And what about the novelty value—call it snob appeal if you like—

of owning a vest-pocket-size foreign sedan?

If, for any reason, British car sales in the U.S. took a sudden plunge, it would be a serious matter for the industry. It is to be hoped that sales directors have not been so mesmerised by their dollar earnings that they have neglected other parts of the world.

U.K. Share Falling

Europe, for example. Here, in the world's most rapidly expanding market, the U.K. share of total exports to European countries seems to be falling sharply all the time. In their latest review of the motor business the "Economist" Intelligence Unit points out that the development of freer trade in Europe is bound to increase the demand for cars still further. It states: "If the U.K. industry cannot increase its share of the European market, its share of the total volume of world trade in vehicles will continue to decline."

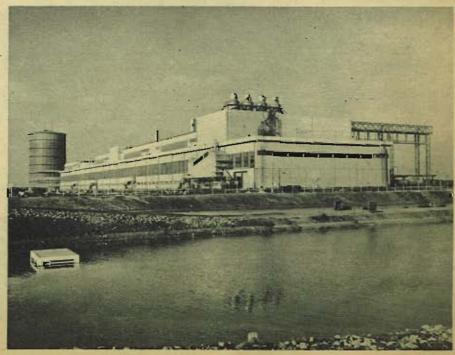
The top people of the motor industry will go to Earl's Court deploring the continuance of the 60% purchase tax, the wage-fixing policy of the engineering unions and other problems.

But they will not be lacking in determination, in spite of all their handicaps, to sell more and more British cars throughout the world.

The current Motor Show provides evidence that the industry's outlook is becoming bolder and less hidebound by its old conservatism.

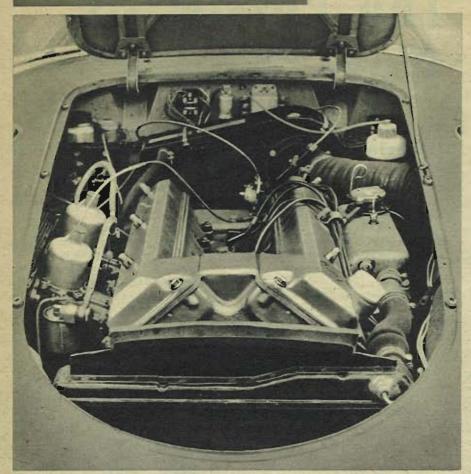
Looking Ahead

New designs now taking shape in secret in the back rooms of the industry give an assurance that this more imaginative approach to automobile design will be reflected even more excitingly in the Motor Shows that lie ahead.

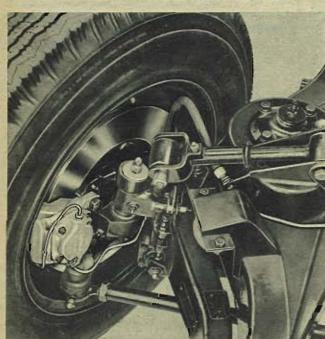


Ford's new £7,000,000 Thames foundry.

TECHNICAL TRENDS

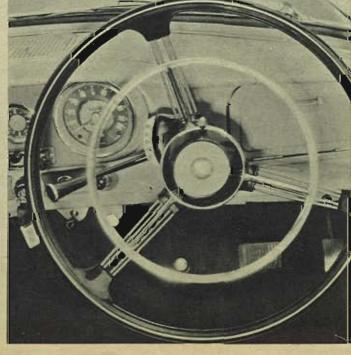


The polished aluminium camshaft covers distinguish the engine of the M.G. "Twin Cam." At left are the twin H.6. S.U. carburettors and at right is the radiator header tank.



The front suspension of the Daimler Majestic, showing the Dunlop Discbrake.

Borg - Warner selector lever and quadrant for automatic transmission.



The Search for More Power Continues . . .

says

A. G. Douglas Clease, B.Sc., A.M.I.Mech.E.

CAR design is largely based on accumulated experience and technical knowledge. It is influenced by extraneous factors, such as economic conditions, but their effect on it only becomes apparent slowly, because it takes at least two years to initiate and develop a new model.

Design, in fact, evolves gradually and tends to follow well-defined trends. Thus British manufacturers continue to rely on four-cylinder-in-line engines for small cars. Their medium-sized models may have four or six cylinders, depending on the degree of refinement provided, and the few large cars have six cylinders. There are exceptions, and the small runabouts favour two-cylinder two-stroke engines.

International Trends

Continental practice is similar, although in France heavy taxation virtually restricts engine size to 2½ litres, and there are only two well-known cars with more than four cylinders. In the U.S., eight cylinders set in banks of four at 90 degrees, and having a total capacity of 5 or 6 litres, are almost universal.

Certain technical trends are international. Thus greater specific power is still being sought by the use of overhead valves, by higher compression ratios, by better 'breathing' through larger valves and multiple carburettors, and by increased engine speeds. Compression ratios range from 6.2 to 1 up to 10 to 1, an average value being about 8 to 1. Maximum power may be developed at only 4,000 r.p.m. or at as high a speed as 6,700 r.p.m.

Material specifications are improved to cope with the increased power. Bearings may be indium-coated copper-lead, and exhaust valves may have heat-resisting, hard faces.

Valve operation is usually by push rods and rocker arms from a single camshaft in the crankcase, but for high performance engines the trend is towards twin overhead camshafts. Desmodromic valve gear, in which the valves are closed mechanically instead of by springs, has been used for racing cars but is unlikely to be adopted for production models.

The trend towards 'square' engines, in which bore and stroke are approximately equal, continues but is less pronounced.

Petrol injection is not yet a serious challenge to the carburettor on European production cars, because of the high cost of the equipment, even if two, or in a few cases three, carburettors be used. But on the large American V-eight engines, fed by two duplex carburettors of some complexity and cost, it competes on more even terms.

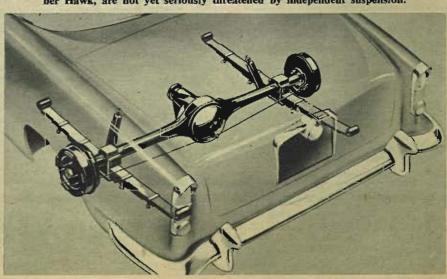
In the transmission of power the automatic gearbox is gaining favour, with two-pedal control of an orthodox synchromesh gearbox as a corresponding refinement on smaller cars. When a normal gearbox is retained, its control may no longer be on the steering column but in a central floor-mounted position.

The most used suspension system continues to be independent for the front wheels, by coil spring or torsion bar and wishbone links, with half-elliptics for the rear axle. But there are movements towards other forms. Pneumatic systems which maintain a constant floor height, and rubber in torsion, are possibilities of the future.

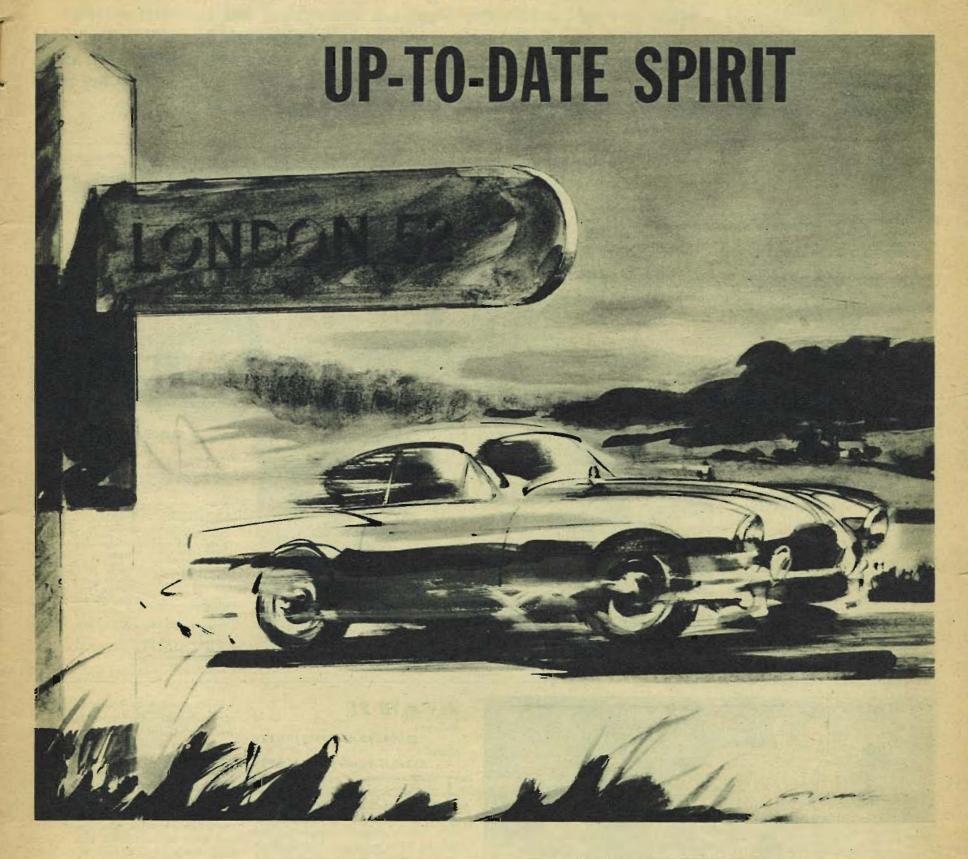
Power Assistance

In steering systems the rack-andpinion increases in popularity. Powerassisted steering makes manoeuvring easier for the larger and heavier cars. Power assistance for brake application also figures on these, and the disc brake slowly gains favour on large and small cars alike.

Half-elliptic rear springs slung beneath a rigid axle casing, as on the Humber Hawk, are not yet seriously threatened by independent suspension.



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GUIDE TO THE 1959 MODELS



Dennis May

HERE and on the following pages are descriptions and technical details of a great range of British cars which can be seen at Earls Court. This illustrated survey, arranged in alphabetical order, has been compiled by Dennis May. At the time of going to press, prices and details were checked for accuracy, but there can be no guarantee that changes have not occurred since then.

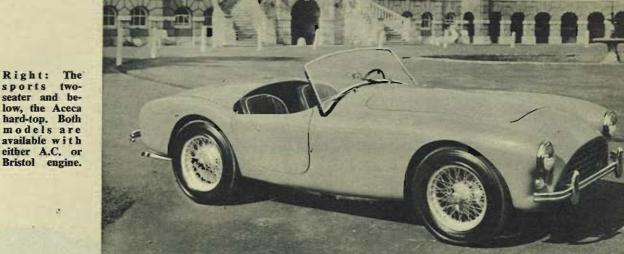
A.C. ACE SPORTS TWO-SEATER

Ace Engine: £1,783.7.0 (incl. £595.7.0 P.T.). Bristol Engine: £2,165.17.0 (incl. £722.17.0 PT).

STILL one of the very few standard British cars with independent springing all round, the Ace is renowned both here and in America for leech-like road holding and cornering power par excellence. The same applies to its sister model, the hardtop Aceca coupé, in which the tubular chassis structure is carried right up into the roof. Neither type shows any change for 1959.

Weight is kept unusually low for a car of 2-litre capacity by the use of light-alloy body panelling and an aluminium engine block and cylinder head; the latter has been an A.C. feature for over thirty years. The alternative and more powerful engine, by Bristol, features triple downdraught carburettors and hemispherical combustion chambers with the fully inclined valves operated by simple pushrods on the inlet side and an arrangement of primary and secondary cross-over rods to the exhaust valves.

Disc brakes are one of the optional extras. All A.C.s have wire wheels with centrelock attachment.





TECHNICAL DATA (Ace Engine)

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 20-25 m.p.g. Top Speed: 97.5 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 65 mm.
Stroke: 100 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,991.
Brake horse-power: 90.
Valves: O/h. Cam.
Compression ratio:
8 to 1.
Carburettor: 3 S.U.
Ignition: Coil

Fuel Capacity: 13 galls.

choice).

Lever Position: Central.

Laycock de Normanville overdrive, optional extra on all models.

Suspension: Front: Ind. Trans. Rear: Ind. Trans. Shock Absorbers: Armstrong telescopic Overall Dimensions :

Weath Dimensions:
Length: 12 ft. 7½ in.
Width: 4 ft. 11½ in.
Height: 4 ft. 1 in.
(hood raised)
Ground Clearance: 6 in.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 2 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 2 in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 6 in.
Turning Circle: 34 ft.
Dry Weight: Approx
15 cwt.

Gear Box:
Overall ratios: 3.64, 4.98, 7.21, 12.34 (others to



These two views of the stylish new Alvis saloon show the bold frontal treatment and the 'long - low' look.

ALVIS TD 21

Saloon:

£2,993.17.0 (incl. £998 17.0 PT). Coupé :

£3,293.17.0 (incl. £1.098.17.0 PT). THE time-tested Alvis 3 - litre L chassis forms a platform for two newly styled and striking cars, a sports saloon and a convertible, both with bodies designed by Graber, the leading Swiss specialist, and executed by Park Ward. The latest Alvises are about a hundredweight lighter than their TC.108/G predecessors and have Smith's air-conditioning units fitted as standard.



Features of both bodies are separate front seat adjustment, large window areas, and segregation of the spare wheel from a spacious luggage boot.

Control of the straightforward fourspeed gearbox, which has synchromesh on the upper three ratios, is by a neat central lever. A choice is offered between disc wheels with tubeless tyres or centrelock wire wheels with tubed tyres. There is a dashcontrolled reserve supply of fuel, the tank capacity being 14.3 gallons. Chassis layout and dimensions are the same as for the superseded TC.108/G.

TECHNICAL DATA

tion: 25 m.p.g.

Top Speed: Over 100
m.p.h.

Rear: Semi-elliptic.
Shock Absorbers: Armstrong telescopic.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 15 ft. 8½ in. Width: 5 ft. 6 in. Height: 5 ft. 0 in. Ground Clearance: 7 in Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 84 mm.
Stroke: 90 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,99

Brake horse-power: 104
at 4,000.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.0
to 1.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 6 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 6 in.
Wheelbase: 9 ft. 3 in.
Lyming Circle: 39 ft. 6 in.
Lyming Circle: 30 ft. 6 in.
Lyming Circle: 3

Fuel Capacity: 14.3 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 3.77, 5.01, 7.20, 11.57.
Lever Position: Central.

ARMSTRO SIDDELEY STAR SAI

£2,645.

TECH

Performance:
Average Fuel Contion: Not state
Top Speed: Not s

Engine:
No. of Cylinders
Bore: 97 mm.
Stroke: 90 mm.
Cubic Capacity:
Brake horse-pou
105 at 4,250 r.p.
Values: O/h.
Compression rati
to 1. carburettor: Tw Stromberg.

Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 16

Gear Box: Borg Overall ratios: 3 tion 10.82, 8. 17.348. Lever Position:

ASTON I DB 4 SAI

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"THE high four-sea forthright cla watering tho its makers, w to 100 m.p.h than half a n and the 'stop new 3.7-litre and stroke ar power, and to all wheels

TEC Performance: Top Speed: 140

Engine:
No. of Cylinder
Bore: 92 mm.
Stroke: 92 mm
Cubic Capacity
Brake horse-po 240. Valves: O/h to Compression ra 8.2 to 1. Carburettor: T Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity · 1 Gear Box : Synch Overall ratios :

Lever Position

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ARMSTRONG SIDDELEY STAR SAPPHIRE

£2,645.17.0 (incl. £882.17.0 PT).

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: Not stated.
Top Speed: Not stated.

iuspension:
Front: Ind. coil.
Rear: Semi-elliptic.
Shock Absorbers: At
strong heavy duty.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 97 mm. Roce of Cydraers: 6. George of mm.
Stroke: 90 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 3,990.
Brake horse-power.
165 at 4,250 r.p.m.
Values: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7.5 Carbusettor: Twin Stromberg. Ignition: Coil.

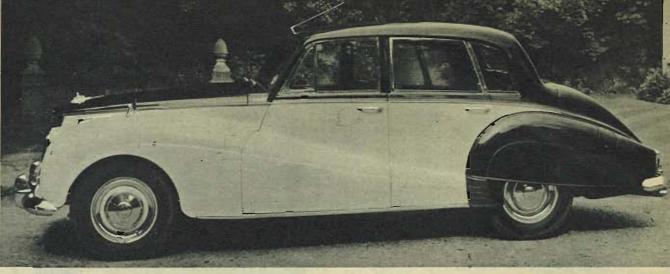
Track: 5 Front: 4 ft. 9½ in. Rear: 4 ft. 9½ in. Wheelbase: 9 ft. 6 in. Turning Circle: 38 ft. Dry Weight: 35 cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 16 galls.

Gear Box: Borg Warner Automatic Transmission.

Overall ratios: 3.77, 5.41 max. torque multiplication 10.82, 8.674 max. torque multiplication 17.348.

Lever Position: Steering column.



THOUGH similar in design to the regular Sapphire, this is an entirely new car and has more under its bonnet than any Armstrong Siddeley built since the early 'thirties. The engine has been up-scaled to four litres and has exceptional torque characteristics, developing a maximum of 230 lbs. ft. at 2,000 r.p.m.

The Star Sapphire's equipment,

both mechanical and 'indoor', is lavish; it includes power steering, Borg Warner automatic transmission, disc brakes at the front, and separate heating and demisting systems for the front and rear compartments.

The suspension has been modified at both ends of the chassis, which has been slightly changed dimension-

Also exhibited is a normal Sapphire limousine, which continues unaltered for 1959. This one has synchromesh four-speed transmission.

Armstrong Siddeley currently concentrate solely on six-cylinder cars, an interesting engine feature being a hemispherical combustion chamber with fully inclined valves operated by pushrods from a single camshaft.

ASTON MARTIN DB 4 SALOON

£3,976.7.0 (incl. £1,326.7.0 PT).

"THE highest performance by any four-seater production car" is the forthright claim made for this mouthwatering thoroughbred, which, assert its makers, will accelerate from nought to 100 m.p.h. and stop again in less than half a minute. Source of the 'go' and the 'stop' respectively are a brandnew 3.7-litre engine with equal bore and stroke and an output of 240 horsepower, and servo-assisted disc brakes to all wheels.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Top Speed: 140 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 92 mm.
Subsension:
Front: Trans wishbone coil.
Rear: Trailing link coil.
Shock Absorbers:
Hydraulic d/a piston and telescopic.

Engine:

No. of Cylinders: 6.

Bore: 92 mm.
Stroke: 92 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 3,670.

Brake horse-power:
240.
Values: O/h twin cams.
Compression ratio:
8:2 to 1.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Front: 4 ft. 3½ in.
Ground Clearance: 7 in.
Fruel Capacity: 19 galls.
Fuel Capacity: 19 galls.

Fuel Capacity: 19 galls.

Fuel Capacity: 19 galls.

Ray: Synchro.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 3-54, 4-43, 6.16, 8.82.

Lever Position: Central.

The seats adequately accommodate four adults. The front seats have Reutter fittings for adjustment to full reclining position. The back seats are generously proportioned for this true sports car. All are upholstered in Connolly leather.



The body has been strikingly styled by Touring of Milan and is constructed by Tickford, a member of the David Brown Group. In fact, the whole car is made within the selfcontained D.B. factory at Newport Pagnell, Bucks.

Safety features include a full wrap-

round screen, reinforced chassis sidemembers for protection against sideswiping accidents, a rubber padded facia and an absence of interior protruding parts.

The engine—largest and most powerful power unit ever installed in a production Aston Martin - has its

crankcase and cylinder head cast in light alloy; centrifugally cast liners, a long-time A.M. feature, are retained.

Suspension is by coil springs all round, the live rear axle being located sideways by a Watts linkage. The four-speed David Brown gearbox has synchromesh on all gears.

ASTON MARTIN DB Mk III

Saloon:

£3,076.7.0 (incl. £1,026.7.0 PT).

Drophead coupé:

£3,451.7.0 (incl. £1,151.7.0 PT).

TEW on this two-miles-per-minute New on this thoroughbred, which graduated to its present Mk. III form a year ago, is a special hydro-booster for the braking system; as before, the front brakes are Girling discs, while those at the back have Al-fin bi-metal drums. Object of the booster is to lighten pedal action without loss of sensitivity.

Three different stages of tune are available for the 3-litre twin-camshaft engine, the valves, ports and cam pro-



files of which were directly developed from racing experience. The standard engine has two S.U. carburettors, the stage-two version three S.U.s, and the competition unit triple Weber instruments with dual chokes.

Laycock overdrive can be specified at extra cost. A range of ten colours is available for the aluminium-panelled bodywork.

TECHNICAL DATA

tion: 20-22 m.p.g. Top Speed: 120 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 83 mm.
Stroke: 90 mm. Cubic Capacity: 2,922. Width: 5 ft. 5 in.

Brake horse-power: 162. Height: 4 ft. 64 in.

Valves: O/h twin cam.

Crownd Clearance: 64 in.

Track:

Length: 14 ft. 3f in.

ing link.

Rear: Coil, live axie,

trailing links.

Shock Absorbers:

Hydraul. d/a piston.

nsion: nt: Ind. coil, trail-

Compression ratio: 8.2
to 1.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Ignition: Coil.
Wheelbase: 8 ft. 5 in.
Wheelbase: 8 ft. 3 in.
Turning Circle: 35 ft.
Dry Weight: 252 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 3.77, 5.01, 7.46, 11.01.

Lever Position: Central.

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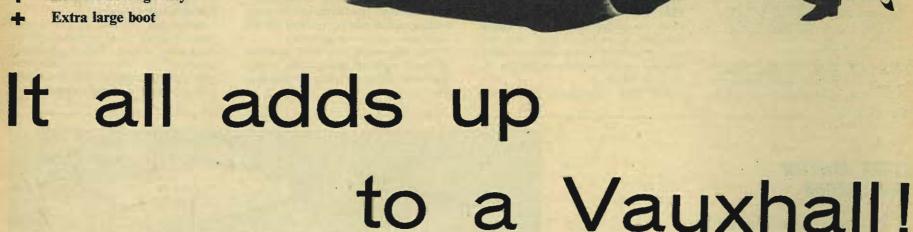
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AUSTIN A 35 SALOON

2-door Saloon:

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£582.19.6 (incl. £195.4.6 PT).

I N line with B.M.C.'s as-you-were watchword, the Corporation's smallest family car comes to Earls Court without change. The perky A35 is not only as economical on petrol as any four-cylinder saloon that money can buy, it is also capable of maintaining an impressive rate of knots for long durations with complete reliability.

This it demonstrated, soon after 'growing up' from 803 to 948 c.c. two years ago, by averaging 60 m.p.h. for 25,000 miles on Continental motor roads.

Will it fit your family? If in doubt, try it for size, vicariously, against



these vital statistics: Seat to roof heights, 411 and 35 ins., front and back; overall width between doors at front seat level, 48 ins.; width between rear wheel arches, 35 ins.; shin room between rear seat and back of

front seat squabs with latter at midpoint of fore/aft adjustment, 6½ ins.

The A35's inherent handiness in dense traffic, due to compact overall size, is abetted by a moderate turning circle-33 ft.-and sensibly geared

steering calling for only 21 turns of the wheel from lock to lock.

There are four variations on the saloon theme - two and four-door models, both in standard and de luxe editions. Additionally, of course, there is the capacious Countryman with estate-car body.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 40-50 m.p.g. Top Speed: 72 m.p.h.

Suspension: Front: Ind. Coil. Rear: Semi-elliptic. Shock Absorbers: Hydraul.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 62.9 mm.
Stroke: 76.2 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 948.
Brake horse-power: 34.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio:
8.3 to I.
Carburettor: Zenith.
Ignition: Coil.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 11 ft. 4\frac{1}{2} in. Width: 4 ft. 7\frac{1}{2} in. Height: 4 ft. 11\frac{1}{2} in. Ground Clearance: 6\frac{1}{2} in

Fuel Capacity: 52 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.55, 6.42, 10.79, 16.50.
Lever Position: Remote control on floor.

AUSTIN A 40 SALOON

£676.7.0 (incl. £226.7.0 PT). De Luxe:

£689.2.0. (incl. £230.12.0 PT). THE 'A40', an Austin designation with an honourable record, makes a comeback at the Show in association with a new concept of compromise between the saloon and the estate car. Square-rigged in a modified semblance of the 'utility' shape, the B.M.C. newcomer has an interior of predominantly saloon character, but with extra spaciousness resulting from an unusually far-back location of the rear seat bench.

Saloon-fashion, the back window is

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 40-50 m.p.g.
Top Speed: Over 70 m.p.h.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 12 ft. 04 in. Width: 4 ft. 114 in. Height: 4 ft. 84 in. Ground Clearance: 64 in. Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 62.9 mm.
Stroke: 76.2 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 948.
Brake horse-power: 34.
Values: O/h.

Track : Front: 3 ft. 11½ in.

Rear: 3 ft. 11½ in.

Wheelbase: 6 ft. 11½ in.

Turning Circle: 35 ft.

Dry Weight: 14½ cwt. Compression ratio: 8.3 Carburettor: Zenith d/d.
Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 6 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4-55, 6.43, 10.80, 16.51.
Lever Position: Central.



fixed, but luggage space approaching estate-car standards is provided by a fold-forward rear seat squab which allows the boot and the rear passenger compartment to be 'thrown into one' at will. Designed in consultation with Pinin Farina, the well-known Italian arbiters of car fashion, the body combines pleasing appearance with practicality. The plain treatment of the frontal grille is particularly

The facia and other interior appointments are kept as simple as possible, to minimise selling price. The composite body/chassis structure is immersed in rust-inhibiting compound during manufacture and special attention is paid to dust-sealing.

Most of the engineering elements, including the 948 c.c. engine and four speed gearbox, are uniform with the A35's. Safety features include a dished steering wheel, crash pad below the facia, and brake lining area increased from the A35's figure of 61.1 sq. ins. to 76.2 sq. ins.

AUSTIN A 55 SALOON

£808.7.0 (incl. £270.7.0 PT).

De Luxe:

£856.7.0 (incl. £286.7.0 PT).

PICK-UP being at least as impor-tant to most drivers as flat-out. speed, it's to the point that this roomy family vehicle possesses acceleration of the following brisk if not stunning order: 30 to 50 and 40 to 60 m.p.h in top gear, II and 13 seconds respectively; zero to 50 m.ph. through the gears, 15 secs.; standingstart quarter-mile in 23 secs.

Notable for several attractive twotone colour schemes, the A55 is the half - way house in Longbridge's popular-price range and affords exceptional passenger space relative to wheelbase. Equipment standardised on the De Luxe version includes leather upholstery for seat contact

areas, twin sun visors, a water thermometer and fuel gauge, a fresh-air interior heater and full carpeting to both compartments.

Both front and rear side-windows have hinged ventilator panels. The luggage boot, as well as being large, is of a shape that makes the loading and extraction of bulky baggage easy.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consump-Average Fuel Consump-lion: 30-33 m.p.g. Front: Ind. Coil Foot Speed: 80 m.p.h. Rear: Semi-ellip Shock Absorbers Hydraul.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 73.025 mm.
Stroke: 89 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,489.
Brake horse-power: 51.
Valves: 0/h.
Compression ratio:
3.3 to T.
Carburettor: Zenith.
Ignition: Coil.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 13 ft. 10f in. Width: 5 ft. 1f in. Height: 5 ft. 0f in. Ground Clearance: 6f in.

Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio:
8.3 to r.
Carburettor: Zenith.
Ignition: Coil:
Fuel Capacity: 8\frac{1}{2} galls.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. o\frac{1}{2} in.
Rear: 4 ft. I in.
Turning Circle: 37\frac{1}{2} in.
Dry Weight: 20\frac{1}{2} cwti

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.3, 6.15, 10.3, 16.96:

Lever Position: Steering column or central.



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tre engine, disc brakes and power steering. Both are available with overdrive and

The Mark Eight and Mark Nine Saloons. The 34 litre model is now joined by the new Mark Nine model equipped with a 3.8

AUSTIN WESTMI Westminster: £1,034

De Luxe: £1,079. Countryman : £1,25

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Performance:
Average Fuel Contion: 21 m.p.g.
Top Speed: Over
90 m.p.h.
Engine:
No. of Cylinders:
Bore: 79.4 mm.
Stroke: 89 mm.
Cubic Capacity:
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Valves: O/h.
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AUSTIN A95 WESTMINSTER

Westminster: £1,034.17.0 (incl. £345.17.0 PT). De Luxe:

£1,079.17.0 (incl. £360.17.0 PT).

Countryman: £1,252.7.0 (incl. £418.7.0 PT).

BUILT around the versatile and hard-working C-Series engine, the smaller of B.M.C.'s two six-cylinder units, the Westminster allies snazzy looks with robust construction. Performance is satisfying, too—witness a maximum speed of comfortably over 90 m.p.h. With automatic transmission, an option that probably brings

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:

Average Fuel Consumption: 21 m.p.g.
Top Speed: Over 90 m.p.h.
Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 79.4 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,539.
Brake horse-fower: 92.
Values: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.25
To I.
Carburettor: Zenith d/d.
Igmition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 16 galls.

Suspension:
Front: Independent.
Rear: Semi-elliptic.
Shock Absorbers:
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Width: 5 ft. 2 in.
Front: 1 ft. 0 ft.
Width: 5 ft. 4 in.
Height: 5 ft. 2 in.
Front: 4 ft. 3 ft.
Front: 4 ft.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 3.91, 5.61, 8.67, 12.91.

Lever Position: Steering column.

a slight reduction in acceleration compared with an expertly handled 'manual' car, 80 m.p.h. can be reached from a standstill in less than 42 seconds.

Stylewise, the Westminster is distinguished by a bold decorative stripe (in a contrasting colour in the case of duo-tone paint jobs) down each side of the body. Within the car, accommodation is planned so that, even with the front seats adjusted right back to let a gangling driver unknit his limbs, rear-compartment leg-room remains adequate. So does head-room.

The increasingly popular A95 Countryman, with brake-type body that is convertible at will into a rather narrow double bed, is, like the saloon, continued without change for '59. Five-up, the Countryman provides 28 cubic feet of luggage space.





The A95 Saloon (above) has a large rear luggage compartment and the boot lid opens from

The rear window and door of the Countryman (left) are divided open horizontally.

AUSTIN A105 SALOON

£1,235.17.0 (incl. £412.17.0 PT).

Vanden Plas:

£1,475.2.0 (incl. £492.12.0 PT).

HOTTED-UP counterpart of the A Westminster, the Aros looks the gran turismo part, with its purposeful profile, wheels distinctively pierced for brake-drum cooling, and general accent on 'Go' rather than girth. Source of its extra 10 b.h.p., compared with the parent A95 model, is its dual carburettors, high compression ratio, double valve springs and freer exhaust system. The 105 engine thus shares many features with that of the Austin Healey 100-6.

Automatic overdrive, in conjunction with a four-speed synchromesh



gearbox, is standard, while fully automatic transmission by Borg Warner is available as an extra.

Points in common with the Westminster are good driver visibility, and luggage space. Exclusive to the 105 is its two-tone colour scheme with the turret contrasting with the sub-waistline portion of the body. Whitewall tyres, headlamp hoods, screen-washers and a dished steering wheel are included in the specification.

Comparatively recent — introduced seven months ago-is a luxury version of the Aro5 with a coachbuilt interior by Austin's subsidiary, Vanden Plas. Furnishing is similar to that of the Princess.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 23 m.p.g. Top Speed: 100 m.p.h.

No. of Cylinders: 6. Overall Dimensions:

Bore: 79.4 mm. Length: 15 ft. 02 in.

Stroke: 89 mm. Width: 5 ft. 4 in.

Cubic Capacity: 2,639. Height: 5 ft. 2 in.

Brake horse-power: 102. Ground Clearance: 7 in.

Compression ratio:

Values: O/h.
Compression ratio:

8.25 to 1.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Ignition: Coil.
Freel Capacity: 16 galls.

Values: 4 ft. 3½ in.
Rear: 4 ft. 3½ in.
Wheelbase: 8 ft. 9½ in.
Turning Circle: 40 ft.
Fuel Capacity: 16 galls.

Dry Weight: 26 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.1 (O/d. 2.87), 5.89 (O/d. 4.12),
8.43, 13.57.
Lever Position: Steering column

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Hard Top:

£749.2.0 (incl. £250.10.0 PT).

Convertible:

£775.7.0 (incl. £259.7.0 PT).

ESIGNED and built originally for District the U.S. market exclusively, this jaunty little bolide puts the main stress on eye-appeal, and its looks probably account for the good reception it has had in Britain since the export-only tag came off in 1956. The styling bears the hallmark of Nash, the American factory for whom Austin of England make it.

There are two models, a hard-top and a convertible, both powered by the B.M.C. B-series engine (pushrod o.h.v., 12-litres) and fitted as standard

with interior heaters. Suspension is soft by British standards, full wrapround rear window gives wide-angle visibility to the back, exterior mounted spare wheel takes the teeth-gnashing out of wayside 'flats', if any.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance : Average Fuel Consumption: 26-30 m.p.g. Top Speed: 77.6 m.p.h.

Brake horse-power: Values: O/h. Compression ratio: 5.3 to 1. Carburettor: Zenith. Ignition: Coil.

Track: Front: 3 ft. 9 5/16 in. Rear: 3 ft. 8 13/16 in. Wheelbase: 7 ft. 1 in. Turning Circle: 37 ft. Dry Weight: 16 cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 82 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.22, 6.29, 11.98.

Lever Position: Remote from facia.



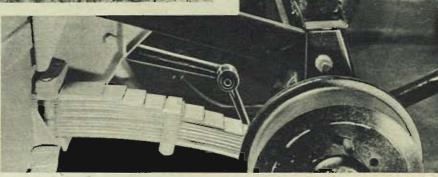


Right: View of the rear suspension, showing the quarter - elliptic springs and the trailing arms of the double acting lever type shock absor-bers.

AUSTIN-HEALEY SPRITE

£668.17.0 (incl. £223.17.0 PT).

MID - SEASON DEB - and one A that created an equal sensation on both sides of the Atlantic when it was launched back in May-the Sprite is the first really small sports car to be produced in quantity in Britain since the war. Based on an entirely new pressed-steel structure combining body and chassis in one, this frisky foal has a two-carburettor, high-compression version of the B.M.C. A-Series engine that has scored such a success in Austin's A35 and Morris's 'Major Minor'



The Sprite will do 85 m.p.h. under favourable conditions, accelerate from nought to sixty in 20 seconds, and cover about 34 miles on a gallon of petrol, driven without special regard for economy.

In Press test reports from all over the world, the baby A-H had rave notices for its cornering power and road - holding. Contributing to stability is the rigidity of the hull, helped by the fact that the upper tail panel is not pierced for a boot lid. (This, incidentally, makes spare-wheel access more difficult.) Rear axle movement is controlled by radius arms linking the axle to the main structure.

To facilitate engine get-at-ability, the whole prow of the car, including the integral front wings, is arranged to hinge up.

tion: 34 m.p.g. Top Speed: 85 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 62.9 mm.
Stroke: 76.2 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 948.
Brake horse-power:

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.22, 5.96, 10.02, 15.31.
Lever position: Central.

TECHNICAL DATA

Overall Dimensi

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42.5
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.3
Track:
Front: 3 ft. 92 in.
Carburettor: 2 S.U.H.I.
Rear: 3 ft. 82 in.
Ignition: Coil.
Wheelbase: 6 ft. 8 in.
Turning Circle: 312 ft
Dry Weight: IX2 cwt.

AUSTIN-HEALEY HUNDRED-SIX

£1,226.17.0 (incl. £409.17.0 PT).

THIS will be the 100-6's first Earls Court appearance in its current 117-b.h.p. form. An impressive increase in the output of the special C-Series B.M.C. engine was obtained early this year by the use of a new six-port cylinder - head, a separate cast-aluminium inlet manifold, larger bore carburettors, etc. These modifications not only stepped up the topend performance, but also improved the torque characteristics, giving the car more pull at moderate engine speeds.

As a result, the 100-6 has latterly been dominating its class in the hotly competitive production car races of the



Sports Car Club of America, as well as scoring many successes in equiva-

lent events here at home. Fastest full-production model in Austin-Healey history, the 100-6 with the Laycock overdrive which is an optional extra will comfortably exceed 110 m.p.h., accelerate from zero to

80 m.p.h. in about 20 seconds, cover the standing-start quarter-mile in 18 secs. With over 170 square inches of brake lining area per laden ton, it has stopping powers to match its paces.

TECHNICAL DATA

tion: 23 m.p.g.
Top Speed: Over 11
m.p.h. (with o/d).

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 79.4 mm.
Stroke: 89 mm.
Cubic Cafacity: 2,639.
Brake korse-power: 117.
Values: O/h.
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Values: O/h.
Compression ratio:
8.25 to 1.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Horizontal H 4.
Ignition: Coil and distributor with Auto
and Vacuum control.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 0 in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 8 in.
Turning Circle: 35 ft.
Dry Weight: 21 cwt.

up). Ground Clearance: 5½ in.

Fuel Capacity: 12 galls

Gear Box:
Overall ratios: 3.91, 5.21, 7.48, 12.03.
Lever Position: Centre lever on floor.

BENTLEY SERIES 'S' SALOON

£5,543.17.0 (incl. £1,848.17.0 PT).

UTCOME of a policy of getting it Oright at the outset and then leaving well alone, the swift and luxurious 'S' Bentley once again comes to the Show without significant change. In contrast with its few transatlantic rivals for the title of the world's most sumptuous automobile, the Bentley sticks to six cylinders (where the without exception, have Americans. eight). But the deficit of two doesn't prevent this mechanical masterpiece from maintaining its foothold on the summit of engineering excellence.

Automatic transmission-a Bentley adaptation of an American design-is standard practice, while power assisted steering is offered as an option. Such manual operations as are left to the Bentley owner are unsurpassed for lightness. Massive diagonal chassis bracing plays its part in the taut feeling of the whole car.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: Approx 17 m.p.g. Top Speed: 100+

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 34 in.
Stroke: 44 in.
Cubic Capacity: 4,887.
Brake horse-power:
Not stated.
Values: 0/h. inlet.

coil springs.

Rear: Semi-elliptic

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Valves: O/h. inlet,
side exhaust.

Compression ratio: 8
to I.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 18 galls.

Ground Clearance: 7
Track:
Front: 4 ft. 10 in.
Rear: 5 ft.
Wheelbase: 10 ft. 3 in.
Turning Circle:
41 ft. 8 in.
Dry Weight: 37 cwt.

Gear Box: Automatic.
Overall ratios: 3.42, 4.96, 9.00, 13.06.
Lever Position: Steering column.

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BENTLEY CONTINENTAL SALOON

Mulliner 4-door: £8,033,17.0 (incl. £2,678.17.0 PT). Mulliner 2-door: £7.913.17.0 (incl. £2,638.17.0 PT).

AT some cost in interior roominess and head - room, plus certain power-boosting modifications to the engine, the dashing Continental gains a bonus of about 15 m.p.h. as compared with the 'S' Series Bentley. It can be summed up as the beau ideal of the man who is old enough to value luxury but not too old to respond to whirlwind performance.

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Basically, the engine layout is uniform with that of the 'S', with the inlet valves in the head and the exhausts in the block, but the compression ratio is higher and the ports larger.

Saloon bodies by Mulliner are available with either two or four doors, the latter type having the more roomy luggage boot. Automatic transmission is standard.

TECHNICAL DATA

(Mulliner Sports Saloon)

rformance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 17-18 m.p.g.
Top Speed: Approx.
. 120 m.p.h.

ingine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 34 in.
Stroke: 41 in.
Cubic Capacity: 4,887.
Brake horse-power:
Not stated.
Values: 0/h. outlet,
side exhaust.

springs.
Shock Absorbers:
Hydraul., shock dam Overall Dimensions: Length: 17 ft. 6 in. to 17 ft. 8 in. Width: 6 ft. Height: From 5 ft. 1 in. to 5 ft. 2½ in. Ground Clearance: 7 in.

Front: Ind. coil springs. Rear: Semi-elip. leaf

side exhaust.

Compression ratio: 8.00 Track:
to 1.

Carburettor: Twin S.U.

Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 18 galls.

Turning Circle: 41 ft. 8 in.

Dry Weight: 34-35 cwt.

Gear Box: Automatic.

Overall ratios: 2.92, 4.25, 7.69, II.17.

Lever Position: Steering column.



BERKELEY "FOURSOME"

£699.12.0 (incl. £234.2.0 PT).

THIS is certainly Britain's smallest sports car, possibly the world's. Original in many aspects of its design, it features front-wheel drive, independent suspension all round, a reinforced plastic body and a three-cylinder twostroke engine. There are, of course, twin-cylinder models as well, but the two-stroke principle is common to the whole range. So is air-cooling, with the advantages of immunity from freezing and a rapid warm-up in cold weather.

The new "Foursome" has been developed from the popular two seater model, but it is a larger car

and provides ample room at the back either for two adults or, of course, children and alternatively this space can accommodate a considerable amount of baggage, golf clubs, etc.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 48-50 m.p.g. Top Speed: Approx. 70 m.p.h.

Rear: Swinging arm.
Shock Absorbers:
Combined spring and rall Din Verall Dimensions:
Length: 10 ft. 11 in.
Width: 4 ft. 6 in.
Height: 3 ft. 10 in.
(Hood erected).
Ground Clearance: 7 in. of Cylinders: 3.
re: 58 mm.
oke: 62 mm.

Track:
Front: 3 ft. 101 in.
Rear: 3 ft. 10 in.
Wheelbase: 6 ft. 6 in.
Turning Circle: 28 feet.
Dry Weight: Approx.
71 cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 52 galls. Gear Box: Motorcycle type.

Overall ratios: 15.1, 9.15, 6.43, 5.1.

Lever Position: On floor.



BRISTOL 406 SALOON

£4,493.17.0 (incl. £1,498.17.0 PT).

T a Show that isn't abounding A with all-new cars, Bristol strike a note of novelty with their patrician 406, which breaks fresh ground in styling and engineering both. It supersedes the well-known 405, to which it bears no more than a family resem-

The 406 engine follows regular Bristol design practice (six long - stroke cylinders, triple downdraught carburettors, single camshaft and crossover push-rods to the exhaust valves), but is up-scaled to 2,216 c.c. by increasing both the bore and stroke; this does not affect maximum power output, but results in valuable gains in performance in the low and middle ranges.

Dunlop disc brakes have been standardised and the back suspension modified to tighten up control of axle movements under spring deflection.

The new body is wider, sleeker, gives better visibility and achieves extra strength by the use of steel framing. Equipment is on cost-noobject lines, and includes reclining

front seats, a telescopic steering column, screen washers and lavish instrumentation. The whole underside of the chassis is anti-corrosion treated, and all body panels are insulated with sound - damping material. By housing the spare wheel in one of the front wings, Bristol leave their large luggage boot unobstructed.

It will be remembered that a prototype 406, for export only, was at Earls Court last year.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 20 m.p.g. _ Top Speed: 110 m.p.h.

gine:
No. of Cylinders:
No. of Cylinders:
Bore: 68.69 m.m.
Stocke: 99.64 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,216.
Brake horse-power: 105.
Valves: Inclined OHV
(push rods).
Compression ratio: 8.5
to 1.
Carburettor: 3 Solex

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 5 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 8 in.
Wheelbase: 9 ft. 6 in.
Turning Circle: 37 ft. 6 in.
Dry Weight: 262 cwt.

Suspension: Front: Ind. Trans. leaf. Rear: Tors. bar with

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.27 (O/d. 3.32), 5.52, 7.79, 15.42.

Lever Position: Central.



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CITROEN ID 19 DE LUXE SALOON

£1,498.7.0 (incl. £500.7.0 PT).

BASED upon the advanced and rather complex DS19, whose debut three years ago was one of the sensations of post-war motoring, this Citroen is similar in shape and styling to the parent model, but is much simplified by dispensing with hydraulic power for the steering, brakes, and clutch and gear selection.

Probably for this reason, the ID19 is slightly the brisker performer of the two, despite the fact that its engine, by virtue of its single-choke carburettor and modified induction porting, develops less power. Other costcutting measures include a nonadjustable front seat squab and carpets devoid of cellular rubber backing. To give the extra leverage needed in the absence of powered steering, the



distinctive single-spoke wheel is of increased size.

There are two versions of the ID19, standard and de luxe, but only the latter is manufactured in Britain and available on the English market. This one accelerates from nought to 80 m.p.h. through the gears in a little under 43 secs.

The DS 19, embodying more brainwaves than were ever before packed under one roof and bonnet, is, of

course, on show as well. Both Citroen models have front-wheel drive, all-independent suspension on inert gas instead of normal springs, and a device which automatically maintains the car at a constant level irrespective of the load carried.

TECHNICAL DATA

tion: 30 m.p.g. Top Speed: 85 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 78 mm.
Stroke: 100 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,911.
Brake horse-power: 66.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7.5 Carburettor: Solex 34.
Ignition: Coil.

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Shock Absorbers:
In-built in suspen units.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 15 ft. 9 in. Width: 5 ft. 10 in. Height: 4 ft. 8in. Ground Clearance: 64 in.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 11 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 3 in.
Wheelbase: 10 ft. 3 in.
Turning Circle: 36 ft.
Dry Weight: 23 cwt. Fuel Capacity: 14 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 13.79, 7.35, 4.77, 3.31.

Lever Position: Steering column.

DAIMLER **MAJESTIC SALOON**

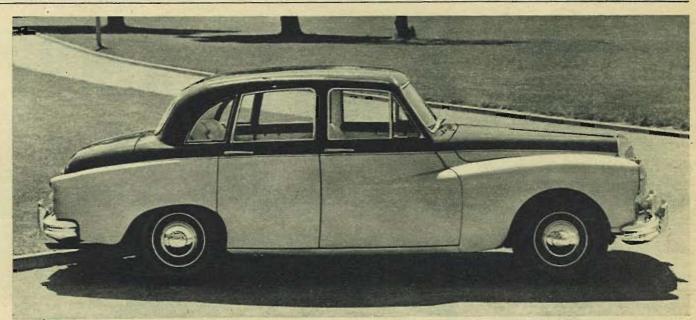
£2,495.0.0 (incl. £832.5.0 PT).

NEW to Earl's Court—it came into production only three months ago - the Majestic combines traditional Daimler luxury with 100-m.p.h. paces and an all-round performance that makes it a match for many sports cars. It was developed from the 3.5-litre One-O-Four, but offers much improved seating space, fully automatic transmission, better looks, and more

The dashboard is entirely new and has the principal instruments grouped in the centre. Among the equipment is an idling-speed control, a fuel reserve tap, and a lever (apart from the main steering-column control for the Borg Warner transmission) that enables the middle ratio to be locked in the operative position.

Suspension design has been specially studied, the wishbone-type front springing incorporating fore-and-aft radius arms and an anti-roll torsion bar. The brakes are power-assisted.

In spite of weighing nearly a ton and three-quarters at the kerb, the Majestic sweeps to 90 m.p.h. in 36 seconds, and averages nearly 19 miles per gallon of petrol under give-andtake conditions.



TECHNICAL DATA

erformance:

Average Fuel Consumption: 18-25 m.p.g.

Top Speed: 100 m.p.h.

Suspension:
Front: Ind. Coil.
Rear: Semi-elliptic
Shock Absorbers:
Telescopic.

Ingine:

No. of Cylinders: 6.

No. of Cylinders: 6.

Bore: 86.36 mm.

Stroke: 107.95 mm.

Cubic Capacity: 3,794.

Valves: O h.

Compression ratio: 7.5

to X.

Carburettor: Twin S.U.

Ignition: Coil.

Wheelbase: 9 ft. 6 in.

Turning Circle: 42 ft.

Dry Weight: 344 cwt.

Incl. 14 galls. reserve.

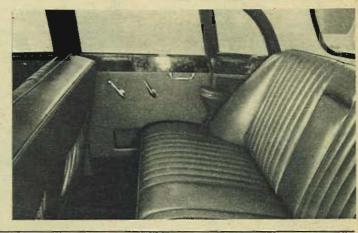
Fuel Capacity: 18 galls. Incl. 11 galls. reserve.

Gear Box: Automatic with intermediate gear lock.

Overall ratios: 3.92, 5.625, 9.047 and torque converter.

Lever Position: Selector on column.

Right: Photograph shows the rear seat of the Daimler Majestic. Wide - opening doors permit easy entry with ample beadroom.



DAIMLER ONE-O-FOUR SALOON

£2,395.0.0 (incl. £799.5.0 PT).

WHEN we closed for press, it wasn't certain that the One-O-Four would be exhibited at Earl's Court but its production continues. With 3½ litres under its smoothly contoured bonnet, this is the smallestengined of the current Daimlers, but even so it is capable of 100 m.p.h. under favourable conditions.

The main accent, however, is on silence and luxury, minute care being taken to minimise noise, from whatever source. Upholstered in fine hide, the seats have deep, shoulder-supporting squabs and centre folding arm-



rests in both compartments. Polished burr walnut is used for the dash and door cappings, together with the

'table tops' of the neat disappearing picnic shelves recessed into the backs of the front seat squabs.

Drive train options are between the traditional Daimler preselector gear and fluid flywheel on the one hand, and Borg Warner automatic transmission on the other.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: Approx 17-23 m.p.g. Top Speed: 100 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 82.55 mm. Stroke: 107,95 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 3,468.
Brake horse-power: 137.
Values: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7.6
Front
to 1
Rear:

Overall Dimensions : Length: 16 ft. 4 in. Width: 5 ft. 104 in. Height: 5 ft. 24 in. Ground Clearance: 7 in.

Valves: O/n.
Compression ratio: 7.6

to I
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Rear: 4 ft. 8 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 9 in.
Rearing Gircle: 42 ft.
Dry Weight: Approx.
Use Capacity: 18 galls.
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35 cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 18 galls. Inc. 12 galls. reserve.

Gear Box: Daimler Pre-Selector Fluid Transmission.

Overall ratios: 3.92, 6.11, 9.x, 16.00 (Fluid Trans.).

Lever Position: Selector on column.



DAIMLER DK 400 A LIMOUSINE

£4,195.0.0 (incl. £1,399.5.0 PT).

THERE are two limousine models sharing the DK.400 symbol, although probably only one of themthe eight-seater A-type-will be on show; the alternative 'B' variant seats seven. Both have the same 4.6-litre engine, which is of conventional design but impeccable manners. This unit, like those of the Majestic and the One-O-Four, has o.h. valves with pushrod operation.

The DK400/A affords three-abreast seating in front of the division and the same on the bench seat of the passenger compartment; in addition, there are three occasional seats which fold

into the division; with the centre armrest lowered, the capacity of the main passenger bench is reduced to two. In 'staff quarters' and 'state-room' respectively, upholstery is in leather and West of England cloth.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 13-16 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 90 m.p.h.

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Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 95.25 mm.
Stroke: 107.95 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 4,617.
Brake horse-power: 167 at 3,800. Valves: O/h. Compression ratio: 7

Length: 18 ft. 1 in. Width: 6 ft. 5 in. Height: 5 ft. 10% in. Ground Clearance: 7 in.

Values: Of n.
Compression ratio: 7 Front: 5 ft. o in.
to 1.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Wheelbase: 10 ft. 10 in.
Turning Circle: 44 ft.
Dry Weight: 41 cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 20 galls. (incl. 12 galls. reserve).

Gear Box: Pre-Selector.

Overall ratios: 4.27, 6.45, 9.76, 17.00.

Lever Position: Selector on column.

FORD ZODIAC SALOON

£1,013.17.0 (incl. £338.17.0 PT). Zephyr:

£916.7.0 (incl. £306.7.0 PT).

THIS, the Zephyr's dressy sister, Lagain ranks as the most desirable property on Ford's stand at Earls Court. Uniform with the Zephyr in all engineering respects, it stands out in the crowd on the strength of such beautifying attributes as whitewall tyres and two-tone finishes in a wide variety of combinations. Borg Warner automatic transmission (more economical than some such systems by virtue of its slip-free drive in top gear) is among the Zodiac options.

All modern Fords have a name for lively performance, and the Zodiac-Zephyr kin are no exception. In spite of the handicap of three-speed transmission, 70 m.p.h. can be reached from a standstill in 221 seconds, and 80 in 32 secs. The overdrive which is available on Zodiac and Zephyr models incorporates a freewheel that





Ford Zodiac Saloon (above) and (left) the Ford Zephyr Saloon.

operates below 30 m.p.h., enabling gear-changes to be made without touching the clutch pedal at sub-30

The complete redesigning of the body-chassis unit which accompanied the advent of the second-series Zodiac and Zephyr placed these cars at or near the head of their price class for interior roominess. Width of the body between doors, at a point close to the leading edge of the seats, is no less than 561 ins., front and back.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance : Average Fuel Consumption: 23-28 m.p.g. Top Speed: 90 m.p.h.

Engine:

No. of Cylinders: 6.

Bore: 82.55 mm.

Stroke: 79.5 mm.

Cubic Capacity: 2,553.

Brake horse-power: 86. Ground Clearance: 6.8 in.

Valves: O/h.

Compression ratio: 7.8 Track:

to 1. Front: 4 ft. 5 in.

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Fuel Capacity : 11 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 11.08, 6.4, 3.9 to 1.

Lever Position: Steering column.

Optional extras: Borg-Warner overdrive, Borg-Warner automatic transmission.





FORD CONSUL DE LUXE SALOON

De Luxe:

£871.7.0 (incl. £291.7.0 PT).

Convertible:

£991.7.0 (incl. £331.7.0 PT).

INTRODUCED just before last Lyear's Show, this car is distinguishable by its two-colour paintwork (you only get monotones if you ask for them), chromium-plated rear lamp bezels and window moulds, windscreen washers, make-up mirror above the front passenger's position, coat hooks, cigarette lighter and full-circle horn ring. In other words, it's a Zephyr in almost everything except the number of cylinders and consequently its performance. An individual styling point, however, is that the dividing line between light and shade comes higher

Above, left: Ford Consul de luxe. Left: The Ford Consul Convertible. This is also available with poweroperated hood.

than the Zodiac's-at the base of the turret instead of at the waist.

Flexibility and imperviousness to pinking, even on the cheaper grades of petrol, are features of the Consul engine. Due to the use of a threespeed gearbox, the acceleration times to given speeds from a stand-still are perhaps less impressive than its topgear pick-up. From 30 to 50 m.p.h. in just over 12 seconds is a good example of the latter. Although the range of gear-lever movement is fairly long, this is one of the very best examples of a column shift as regards positiveness and absence of lost motion after prolonged use.

TECHNICAL DATA

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4. Overall Dimensions:
Bore: 82.55 mm. Length: 14 ft. 4 in.
Stroke: 79.5 mm. Width: 5 ft. 9 in.
Cubic Capacity: 1,703. Height: 5 ft. 12 in.
Brake horse-power: 59. Ground Clearance: 6.4 in.
Values: O/h.
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to I. Front: 4 ft. 5 in.

Carburettor: Zenith.

Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 104 galls.

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Fuel Capacity: 104 galls.

Dry Weight: Approx 22 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 11.67, 6.75, 4.11 to 1.

Lever Position: Steering column.



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FORD ANGLIA AND PREFECT SALOONS

Anglia: £571.7.0. (incl. £191.7.0 PT). Prefect: £623.17.0 (incl. £208.17.0 PT). De Luxe Versions: Anglia £601.7.0; Prefect £658.7.0.

THE last of the British motor in-dustry's side-valve engines form the core of these lissom and hardy little saloons, and they're certainly none the worse for that. By the yardsticks of price/performance or price/ space, the basically similar Prefect and Anglia models can hold a candle to anything in their class.

Apart from details of equipment and trim, the main difference between the two types is that the low-priced Anglia has two doors and the Prefect four. With two doors-the opening is 33 ins. wide and the tipping front seats are adjustable fore and aftaccess to the rear compartment is quite easy.

Interior width at the forward edge of the front seats is, in both cases, 50 ins., the seats themselves being 191 ins. across. Greatest span of the back seat is 47 ins. Seat to roof dimen-

sions, front and back respectively, are 41 and 341 ins. Rear visibility was much improved by the increase in back window area that Ford made a year ago.

The Prefect is fractionally heavier than the Anglia but there is no measurable difference in performance. Two-pedal control by the Newton and Bennett system, using a centrifugal clutch operated by engine suction, is available as an extra on both standard and de luxe editions of the Anglia and Prefect.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 33.35 m.p.g. Top Speed: 70 m.p.h.

Bore: 63.5 mm.
Stroke: 92.5 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,172.
Brake horse-power: 36.
Values: Side.

Fuel Capacity : 7 galls.

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Values: Side.
Compression ratio: 7.1.
Carburettor: Solex d/d. Track:
Ignition: Coil.
Front: 4 ft.
Rear: 3 ft. 11 in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 3 in.
Turning Circle: 34 ft. 6 in.
Dry Weight:
Ang. 15 cwt. (approx.). Ang. 15 cwt. (approx.). Pre. 151 cwt. (approx.).

FORD ESCORT AND *SQUIRE*

Escort: £652.7.0 (incl. £218.7.0 PT). Squire: £695.17.0 (incl. £232.17.0 PT).

ARRYING capacity being the crux of estate-car design, let's hold this pair's vital statistics up to the light. With all four seats taken, 17 cubic feet of freight can be carried on the platform; with only two occupants and the rear seat adjusted forward, there is room for almost 50 cu. ft.

In linear measurement terms, the maximum platform length is about 50 ins. by 59 ins. wide ahead of the wheel arches and 35½ ins. between them. As in most utilities, rear passengers enjoy generous headroom, the distance from the back seat to the roof being 38 ins., or only 2 ins. less than in front. Some sacrifice in frontseat legroom is, however, made in efforts to 'steal inches' on behalf of the cargo and second-row passengers.

The rear gate on both Squire and

Escort is split horizontally, the spare wheel being stowed under the platform, whence it can be extracted without disturbing the goods.

Slightly heavier and lower geared than the corresponding saloons-Prefect and Anglia-the estate cars lose relatively little in performance, e.g. an increase of only two-and-a-fraction seconds from zero to 50 m.p.h.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consump-tion: 33-35 m.p.g. Top Speed: 70 m.p.h.

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No. of Cylinders: 4Bore: 63.5 mm.
Stroke: 92.5 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,172.
Brake horse-power: 36
Valves: Side. Overall Dimen ssion ratio :

burettor: Solex d/d. Track: ition: Coil. Front Rear:

Fuel Capacity: 7 galls.

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Length:
Escort 11 ft. 9½ in.

Squire 11 ft. 9½ in.

Width: 5 ft. 0½ in.

Height: 5 ft. 2½ in.

Ground Clearance: 7 Rear: 3 ft. 114 in. Wheelbase: 7 ft. 3 in. Turning Circle: 32 ft. 9 Dry Weight: Escort 16:

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 17.246, 8.889, 4.429 to 1.

Lever Position: Central.





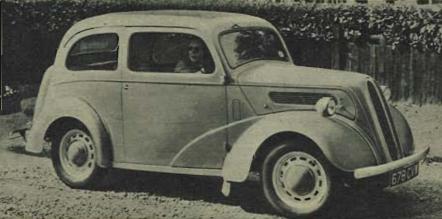
Squire.

FORD POPULAR

£443.17.0 (incl. £148.17.0 PT).

STILL growing old gracefully, and still holding the affection of owners who don't aspire to the Joneses' awe, the down-to-earth Popular is one of the phenomena of the motoring scene. It's cheap to buy because it's simple and unpretentious in design, and it's cheap to run because, inter alia, the side-valve engine is specially rigged to run happily on inexpensive grades of petrol.

What it loses on the swings (e.g., the trunk space is limited) the Popular wins back on the roundabouts: it is, for instance, among the easiest cars



in the world to maintain with an amateur mechanic's ability and resources, and the back-seat headroom is

at least a hand higher than that of fashionable Detroiters with upwards of 300 horsepower under the bonnet.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance : Average Fuel Consumption: 35-37 m.p.g. Top Speed: 60 m.p.h.

No. of Cylinders: 4.

6.16 to 1. Carburettor: Zenith d/d. Ignition: Coil.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 16.89, 9.71, 5.5 to 1.

Lever Position: Central.

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FRAZER-NASH *'CONTINENTAL'*

£3,250.7.0 (incl. £1,084.7.0 PT).

THIS is the only current British car with a V8 engine, although Germany is the power unit's fatherland; B.M.W. of Munich make it. Foundation of the F-N is a tubular chassis with side-members of very large diameter, set widely apart. Largely hand-built, on a cost-no-object basis, the Continental incorporates a backend feature that is seldom found outside full race specifications, viz., a de Dion axle, giving most of the advantages with none of the draw-



backs of independent rear suspension. The de Dion set-up is used in conjunction with torsion bars.

One of Britain's few true Gran

Turismo cars, the Continental offers wide scope for individual owner preferences in specification and equipment.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 29 m.p.g. Top Speed: 125/130 m.p.h.

torsion bars. Shock Absorbers:

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: V8.
Bore: 74 mm.
Stroke: 75 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,580.
Brake horse-power: Overall Dimensions: Length: 13 ft. 7 in. Width: 5 ft. 7 in. Height: 4 ft. 6 in. Ground Clearance: 7

Brake horse-power.

140.
Values: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7.8 Tzack:
(to I.
Carburettor: Twin d/d.
Ignition: Coil.

Twining Circle: 27 ft.
Dry Weight: 162 cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 15 galls. to 25 galls, as reqd.

Gear Box: All-Synchro.

Overall ratios: 3.42, 4.665, 7.1, 11.584.

Lever Position: Central.

FRISKY HARD-TOP AND SPORTS

Both models: £499.7.0 (incl. £167.7.0 PT).

NEW for '59 is a hard-top version of the two-stroke engined Friskysport minicar. Prices and general construction of both models are the same, but the bodies, made from resinbonded glass fibre, are now moulded in one shell, instead of having a disintegral tail section. Access to the rear-mounted vertical-twin engine is through a hatch cover behind the seats, this cover in turn being breached by a hinged flap to facilitate routine maintenance operations.

The seat squab pivots forward for ease of approach to the engine and the parcel spaces flanking the hump

over the power unit.

Control of the four-speed, constantmesh gearbox is by a positive-stop lever of the type which makes shifting fool-proof on motorcycles; a warning light on the facia shows when neutral has been selected.

The chassis is a cross-braced tubular structure giving a markedly crabbed track. Engine cooling is by twin fans.



Photographs show the Frisky hardtop (above) and the Frisky Sports (right).



TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 60 m.p.g. Top Speed: 60 m.p.h.

Suspension:
Front: Independent.
Rear: Coil.
Shock Absorbers:
Hydraulic. Length: 9 ft. 1½ in.
Width: 4 ft. 7½ in.
Height: 4 ft. {Coupé
4 ft. 2 in.}.
Ground Clearance: 6½ in.

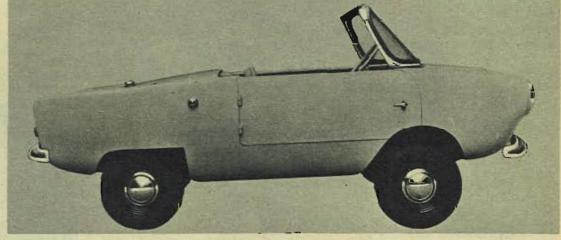
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Rogine:
No. of Cylinders: 2.
Bore: 57 mm.
Stroke: 63.5 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 324.
Brake horse-power: 17
at 5,500.
Compression ratio: 7.25
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Carburettor: Villiers
S.25.
Ignition: Coil.
Fuel Capacity: 3i galls.

Hydraulic.

Width: 4 ft. 7i in.
Height: 4 ft. (Coil 4 ft. 2 in.).
Track:
Front: 4 ft. of in.
Rear: 2 ft. 8 in.
Turning Circle: 25 ft.
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Gear Box: 4-speed constant mesh. Overall ratios: 5.03, 6.66, 9.55, 15.39. Lever Position: Central.



HILLMAN HUSKY

£698.17.0 (incl. £233.17.0 PT).

LTHOUGH this, the lowest-priced A Hillman, takes no part in the general transformation that the rest of the Minx range underwent shortly before the Show, it is nevertheless a very different vehicle from the Husky exhibited at Earls Court 1957. In January of this year it fell into step with the rest of the range by the adoption of an overhead-valve engine and body styling identifying it with the then current Minx saloon, convertible and estate car.

The result was more speed, more room and a more refined performance. The Husky will now comfortably exceed 70 m.p.h. and cruise at 60-plus.

Distinguished from many utility bodies by a one-panel rear gate, the Husky shell holds four persons and considerably more luggage than the average saloon's boot when rigged for



maximum passenger carrying or, alternatively, a crew of two and a real mountain of cargo. With the rear seats folded into their out-of-use posi-

tion, the goods platform is 50½ ins. long by 531 ins. across at the broadest point, and will engulf objects as much as 40 ins. in height.

Left: The Husky has a single door at the back, which is fitted with a pushbutton lock.

TECHNICAL DATA

Front: Ind. coil.
Rear: Semi-elliptic
Shock Absorbers:

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 35 m.p.g.
Top Speed: Over 70
m.p.h.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 12 ft. 54 in. Width: 5 ft. 04 in. Height: 5 ft. 1 in. Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 76.2 mm.
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Stroke: 76.2 mm.

Cubic Capacity: 1,390.

Brake horse-power: 43.

Values: O/h.

Compression ratio: 7

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Carburettor: Zenith

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Turning Circle: 33 ft.

Dry Weight: 18 cwt.

Fuel Capacity : 64 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.778, 7.126, 11.807, 17.045.
Lever Position: Central.



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De Luxe Saloon: £794.17.0 (incl. £265.17.0 PT). Special: £748.7.0 (incl. £250.7.0 PT).

BIGGER engine, more power, A improved styling, new body colours . . . there, in a nutshell, is the Showtime story of this popular range of cars.

Basic engine design remains unaltered but an increase of 2.8 millimetres on the bore measurement brings this well-tested unit into the fashionable oversquare category and raises its capacity to 11 litres. The resulting gain in horsepower is slight, but torque—the significant factor in terms of top-gear acceleration and pulling ability-has gone up substan-

Aesthetically, the new Minxes are

Convertible:

£898.7.0 (incl. £300.7.0 PT). Estate Car: £898.7.0 (incl. £300.7.0 PT).

the better for re-styled front ends and radiator grilles neatly integrated with their surrounds. Inside, the facia panels of the de luxe saloon, the convertible and the station wagon have been revised to make the instruments easier to read, and there are improvements in seating comfort. Minor controls are redistributed to advantage and the latest sub-dash parcel shelf runs the full width of the car.

The inexpensive Special Saloon shares the mechanical developments already outlined (these include higher axle gearing and a more robust clutch) and a bench seat is now fitted in place of bucket seats.



The De Luxe Saloon

The Station Wagon has a goods capacity of 411 cubic feet and, when no passengers are carried, will cope with cargoes up to 600 lbs. Its price has been reduced.

TECHNICAL DATA Performance : Average Fuel Consump-

> Engine:
> No. of Cylinders: 4.
> Bore: 79 mm. Length: 13 ft. 6 in.
> Width: 5 ft. 02 in.
> Height: De Luxe 4 ft.
> 112 in. Conv. 4 ft.
> 10 in. Estate 5 ft. 1 in.
> Ground Clearance: 7 in. Bore: 79 mm. Stroke: 76.2 mm. Cubic Capacity: 1,494. Brake horse-power:

tion: 35 m.p.g. Top Speed: 80 m.p.h.

Frake horse-power:
52.5 at 4,400.
Values: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.5
to 1.
Carburettor: Zenith 30
VM8 d/d.
Ignition: Coil.

Front:
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Carburcttor: Zenith 30

YM8 d/d.

Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 7½ galls. Dry Weight: De Luxe 19½ cwt.,

Estate 20½ cwt., Special 19 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro,

Overall ratios: 4.55, 6.794, 11.258, 14.518 (Estate
4.778, 7.126, 11.807, 15.226).

Lever Position: Steering column (Special—central).



Hillman Minx Convertible.



The Hillman Estate Car.

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Saloon : £1,493.17.0 (incl. £498.17.0 PT). Limousine:

£1,643.17.0 (incl. £548.17.0 PT). Estate Car:

£1,741.7.0 (incl. £581.7.0 PT).

HERE'S an old name for something entirely new—'the most luxurious and best equipped car ever made by the Rootes Group', to quote the makers. In looks, in appointments, in engineering, this vehicle breaks fresh ground from bumper to bumper.

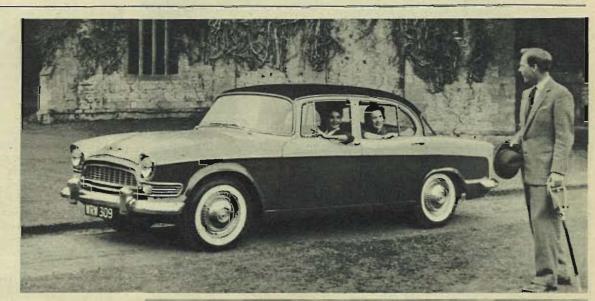
Similarity between the Hawk and Super Snipe engines ends with their cubic capacity, the latter having six cylinders, equal bore and stroke, and hemispherical heads housing inclined valves, which are operated by a high-mounted camshaft. This recipe produces an impressive 112 horsepower and promises a maximum speed in excess of 90 m.p.h.

In other respects the chassis follows regular Rootes practice, with coil-and-wishbone front independent suspension and semi-elliptic rear springs. But the transmission is unusual in giving three forward speeds only in standard form, with, however, optional extras in the shape of Laycock overdrive or Borg Warner automatics. The former operates on middle and top gears, giving a total of five ratios, and it seems probable that most of the Snipes issued with a manual gearbox will also have over-

. Vacuum servo-assisted brakes are standard and powered steering is an option. Chassis and body form a monocoque unit.

Three body styles, saloon, limousine

The new Humber Super Snipe provides luxury accommoda-tion for six people.



and Estate car are offered, with a choice between single or two-colour finishes. With the rear seat folded down, the Estate car has a load carrying space of 56 cubic feet.

TECHNICAL DATA

ngine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bare: 82.55 mm.
Stroke: 82.55 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,651.

Brake horse-power
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7.5 Track:
to I.
Carburettor:
Stromberg d/d.
Ignition: Coil.

Grad Canacity: 124 galls.

Brake horse-power
Front: 4 ft. 84 in.
Front: 4 ft. 74 in.
Wheelbase: 9 ft. 2 in.
Turning Circle: 38 ft.
Dry Weight: Sal. 29 cwt.
Estate: 30 cwt. Fuel Capacity: 12} galls.

Gear Box: Synchro. Operall ratios: 4-55 (o/d 3-542), 7.339 (o/d 5.707), 12.760.

Lever Position: Steering column.
Optional extras: Overdrive, automatic transmission



(Above): The Super Snipe Estate Car.

(Left); Rear compartment of saloon. Two indivi-dual tables finished in rich burr walnut hinge downwards from the front seat squabs.



Above: The elegant Humber Hawk Saloon.

Right: The Humber Hawk Estate Car.



HUMBER HAWK

Saloon:

£1,261.7.0 (incl. £421.7.0 PT).

£1,493.17.0 (incl. £498.17.0 PT).

NOT surprisingly, in view of its sales success since its début in the spring of last year, the Hawk goes forward into '59 without change. Prettily styled and powered by the long-stroke o.h.v. engine that won competition successes galore for the late-lamented Sunbeam 90, the Hawk has two particular claims to meritall-round visibility is outstanding and the low, wide body affords generous interior space.

The Estate Car variant pictured here has a very large load-carrying capacity when the rear seats are folded forward to give an unobstructed floor, the maximum fore/aft measurement of this platform being no less than 64½ ins. Width of the floor between and behind the wheel arches is 471 and 581 ins. respectively. The rearmost pair of side windows are curved around the back quarters, thereby eliminating a blind spot to which some Estate Cars are prone. Road springs are extra strong to cope with the heavy loads often carried by farmers and other country-dwellers.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 20-25 m.p.g. Top Speed: 85 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 81 mm.
Stroke: 110 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,267.
Brake horse-power: 78.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7.5
to 1.
Carburettor: Zenith
d/d.
Ignition: Coil
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Capacity: 124 galls.

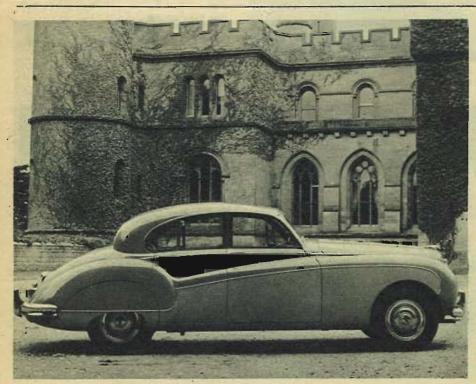
Overall Dimensions:
Length: 15 ft. 42 in.
Width: 5 ft. 94 in.
Width: 5 ft. 14 in.
Ground Clearance: 7 in.
Feack:
Front: 4 ft. 8 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 74 in.
Wheelbase: 9 ft. 2 in.
Turning Circle: 38 ft.
Dry Weight: 264 cwt.
(Estate car 28 cwt.).

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.22, 6.297, 10.43, 13.455.

Lever Position: Steering column.

Optional extras: Borg Warner transmission, overdrive, Reutter seats.



JAGUAR MARK IX

£1,994.17.0 (incl. £665.17.0 PT).

FEATURING an increase in engine capacity—from 3.4 to 3.8 litres that will enable it to keep abreast of its even bigger-displacement rivals in America, this important newcomer is an extremely powerful car, developing no less than 225 b.h.p. Jaguar and other Jaguar-engined makes have of course used bored-to-3.8 versions of the XK engine in racing, with no loss in reliability and substantial gains in performance. The makers emphasise, however, that it isn't so much in top speed as in middle-range pulling and acceleration that the Mk. IX excels.

Similar in appearance and general specification to the Mk. VIII from which it has been developed, the Nine nevertheless has 'invisible assets' in the form of disc brakes on all wheels and power-assisted steering as standard equipment. All the luxury features of the well-established Mk. VIII are retained. Maximum speed is expected to be in the region of 115 m.p.h.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: Not stated.
Top Speed:
Approx. 115 m.p.h.

Suspension: Front: Independent, torsion bars, wishbones. Rear: Half-elliptic. Shock Absorbers: Telescopic.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 87 mm.
Stroke: 106 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 3,781.
Brake horse-power: 225
Values: 0/h by
2 0/h.c.
Compression ratio: 8
to 1
Carburettor: Two S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Overall Dimensions:

Length: 16 ft. 4\frac{1}{2} in.

Width: 6 ft. 1 in.

Height: 5 ft. 3 in.

Ground Clearance: 7\frac{1}{2} in.

Fuel Capacity: 17 galls.

Track: Front: 4 ft. 8 in. Rear: 4 ft. 10 in. Wheelbase: 10 ft. Turning Circle: 36 ft. Dry Weight: 35 cwt. approx.

Gear Box: Synchro, automatic,
Overall ratios: Standard—4.27, 5.16, 7.47, 12.73.
O/Drive—3.54, 4.55, 5.50, 7.96, 13.56. Automatic—4.27, 6.14-13.2, 9.86-21.2.
Lever Position: Std. & O/Drive—Central. Remote—Between Seats. Automatic—Steering Column.
Oblional extras: Optional extras:
Automatic Transmission, Overdrive.



JAGUAR MARK VIII

£1,892.17.0 (incl. £673.17.0 PT).

WITH an engine and transmission uniform in essentials with those of the XK150 and 3.4-litre models, the massive Mk. VIII has, in spite of its considerable weight and bulk, a performance that is outside the experience of most of the nation's motorists. At the summit of motoring's middle-class, this car omits little that the sybarite's heart could desire. There are automatic courtesy lights, a picnic tray for rear-seat occupants, cigarette lighters in triplicate, thick carpets, hide upholstery, polished veneer woodwork, four map pockets, and much besides.

The body shell, although of a height consistent with its way-back origins, is aristocratically proportioned and has the merit, vis-à-vis some of its U.S. competitors, of not stinting on headroom. The brakes, of drum type, have servo assistance.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 18-22 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 104 m.p.h.

Suspension:
Front: Independent
wishbones and torsion
bar.
Rear: Half elliptic springs.
Shock Absorbers:
Telescopic.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 83 mm.
Stroke: 106 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 3,442.
Brake horse-power: 210.
Values: O/h. by 20/h.c.
Compression ratio: 8.1.
Carburettor: 2 S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 16 ft. 14 in. Width: 6 ft. 1 in. Height: 5 ft. 3 in. Ground Clearance: 74 in.

Track: Front: 4 ft. 84 in. Rear: 4 ft. 10 in. Wheelbase: 10 ft. Turning Circle: 36 ft. Dry Weight: 34t cwt. Fuel Capacity: 17 galls.

Gear Box: Auto: 4.27, 6.14-13.2, 9.86-21.2.

Overall ratios: Std. -4.27, 5.16, 7.47, 12.72.

O/D-3.539, 4.55, 5.5, 7.96, 7.3.56.

Lever Position: Std. and O/D models: On floor between front seats. Automatic Trans.: A Selector lever on steering column.

Optional extras:

Automatic Transmission, Overdrive.

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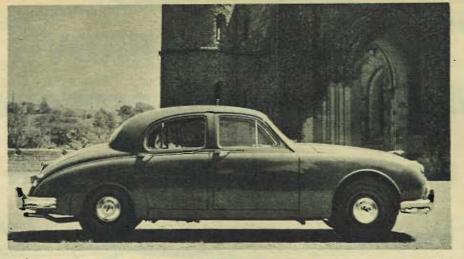
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JAGUAR 3.4 LITRE

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S with all the previously listed A Jaguars, this, the fastest saloon in the range-and among the fastest true production saloons in Europecomes to Earls Court in virtually its 1958 form. Under a bonnet crammed to capacity with machinery is a dual overhead-camshaft engine of remarkable versatility . . . quiet always, docile under a restrained throttle toe, yet with a latent ferocity appropriate to the name Jaguar when it's unleashed.

Points appealing to the sporting motorist are a wide range of seat and



steering wheel adjustability, a short central gear-lever with a moderate 'throw' and positive action, and cornering power which has contributed to the 3.4's possibly unequalled run of

successes in saloon car races during the past two seasons.

Acceleration from nought to 100 m.p.h. takes a bare second longer than the XK150, and a quarter-mile can be covered from a standing start in just over 17 secs.

The floor of the capacious boot is flat over the greater part of its area, and lifts out to give access to the spare wheel and tool-kit. Knock-on wire wheels are an optional extra.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 18-22 m.p.g.
Top Speed: Over 120 m.p.h.

No. of Cylinders: 6.

Bore: 83,

Stroke: 106.

Cubic Capacity: 3,442. No. of Systems of Stroke: 106.
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Cubic Capacity: 3,442.
Brake horse power: 210.
Values: O/h by 2
O/h.c.
Compression ratio: 8
to 1

Suspension:
Front: Ind, coil springs
and wishbones.
Rear: Cantilever
half elliptic.
Shock Absorbers:
Telesconic.

Compression ratio : 8

to 1

Carburettor: 2 S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Freel Capacity: 12 galls.

Crack: free in.

Freel: 4 ft. 2\frac{1}{2} in.

Rear: 4 ft. 2\frac{1}{2} in.

Wheelbase: 8 ft. 11\frac{1}{2} in.

Turning Girole: 33 ft. 6 in.

Dry Weight: 27\frac{1}{2} cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 3.54, 4.84, 7.01, 11.95.
Lever Position: Central remote.



JAGUAR 2.4 LITRE

£1,495.7.0 (incl. £499.7.0 PT).

POWERED by the only 'oversquare' engine in a family of longstrokes, the 2.4-litre is perhaps the sweetest running of all modern Jaguars. In almost all respects except engine capacity, bore/stroke ratio and transmission gearing, this car is the twin of its more powerful sister, the 3.4; it can, however, be distinguished by its full-depth wheel skirts and single exhaust pipe.

Engineering differences between the 2.4 and 3.4 modes on the one hand and the rest of the range on the other are the former's integral body/chassis construction, coil front springs and cantilever rear springs. Dunlop disc

brakes, which are an optional extra, give very high stopping power and almost total absence of fade. Interior appointments, set off by first-quality leather upholstery and polished wood facia and cappings, are of an order to revive the familiar riddle, "How do they do it at the price?"

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Suspension:
Average Fuel Consump-Front: Ind. coil springs and wishbones.

No. of Cylinders: 6. alves: 0/h. by 2

Fuel Capacity: 12 galls.

Gear Box:
Overall ratios: Std., 4.27, 5.84, 8.46, 14.41.
Lever Position: Central remote.



JAGUAR XK150 Fixed Head and Drop Head **Goupés**

Fixed Head: £1,763.17.0 (incl. £588.17.0 PT). Drop Head: £1,793.17.0 (incl. £598.17.0 PT).

THIS Show marks the tenth anniver-sary of the birth of the XK line, and an examination of the current XK150—a car combining electrifying pace with armchair comfort-emphasises the advances that have been made since the '120' founded a famous strain of sports cars.

Although weighing over a ton and a quarter in the lighter of its two home-market forms (the ultra-hot 'S'

roadster with triple carburettors and 9 to 1 compression is still exclusively for export), the XK150 spurts to roo m.p.h. through the gears in 25 seconds and averages an honest 20 m.p.g.

A large percentage of XK150sapart from those ordered with automatic transmission-have Laycock overdrive fitted, enabling three-figure cruising speeds to be effortlessly maintained on the highways of most civilised countries except Britain.

The 1959 models are changed in only minor detail. The provision of rear seats suitable for small children is a point of appeal to parents young enough to enjoy the thrill of speed.

TECHNICAL DATA

igine : No. of Cylinders : 6. Bore : 83. O/h.c. Compression ratio: 8 to 1.
Carburettor: 2 S.U. Ignition: Coil.

Performance: Suspension:

Average Fuel Consumption: 78-22 m.p.g.

Top Speed: 120 m.p.h.

But The World Performance: Suspension:

Front: Independent wishbones and torsion bar. bar.
Rear: Half elliptic
springs.
Shock Absorbers: Tele-

> Overall Dimensions : Length: 14 ft. 8 in. Width: 5 ft. 41 in. Height: F.H.C. ar D.H.C., 4 ft. 41 i Ground Clearance: 71 in.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 3\(\frac{1}{2}\) in
Rear: 4 ft. 3\(\frac{1}{2}\) in
Wheelbase: 8 ft. 6 in.
Turning Circle: 33 ft.
Dry Weight: F.H.C. and
D.H.C., 27\(\frac{1}{2}\) cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 14 galls.

Gear Box:
Overall ratios: Std—3.54, 4.28, 6.2, 10.55
O/D—3.182, 4.09, 4.95, 7.16, 12.19.
Lever Position: Central, on floor, between seats.

Above: The Jaguar XK150 Fixed Head Coupé.

> Right: The Drophead version of the XK150 features a coupé top that is fully padded and lined, completely concealing the hood mech-



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BUILT by craftsmen in a factory which has the unusual distinction of constructing its own chassis and body, under one roof, this is a limitedquantities production in which the highest standards of materials, finish and workmanship are maintained. Jensen, it will be remembered, pioneered the use of reinforced plastics as a body material, and also the standardisation of disc brakes, and both these features appear on the 541.

The extra powerful 'R' version, which made its debut a year ago, has since been proved by independent tests to be capable of the 125 m.p.h. claimed for it, making it one of the world's fastest stock cars. New on the 541R for '59 is a close-ratio gearbox, making for an ever quicker pick-up through the gears.

The low-profile four-seater body is designed to minimise air-drag and has an unusual frontal feature in the form of an inverted extruder grille below the top line of the bonnet, relieving air pressure and temperature in the engine compartment.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 20-24 m.p.g. Top Speed: 125 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 87 mm.
Stooke: 111 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 3,993.
Values: 0/h.
Compression ratio: 7.6
Carburettor: 3 S.U.
Ignition: Coll

Overall Dimensions: Length: 14 ft. 10 in. Width: 5 ft. 3 in. Height: 4 ft. 5 in. Ground Clearance:

Fuel Capacity: 15 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 3.54 (o/d 2.57), 4.53, 6.56, 11.2.

Lever Position: Central.



The Jensen 541. Outwardly the R. Series differs only in minor details: Overriders are added and there is a more pronounced moulding over the rear wheels.

LOTUS ELITE

£1,951.7.0 (incl. £651.7.0 PT).

'SENSATION' isn't too strong a word to describe the impact made by the surprise unveiling of this beautifully proportioned Gran Turismo fledgling at last year's Show-and the impression it made was international. It wasn't anything like ready for serial production then, but today, with a year's experiment and development behind it, the ingenious Elite appeared

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: Approx 45
m.p.g.
Top Speed: Approx
120 m.p.h.

Suspension:
Front: Ind. trans. wishbone, anti-roll bar.
Rear: Ind. (Chapman strut).
Shock Absorbers:
Hydraulic. Engine: No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 76.2 mm.
Stroke: 66.6 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,220.
Brake horse-power: 75.
Values: O.h.c.
Combression ratio. Overall Dimensions: Length: 12 ft. Width: 4 ft. 10 in. Height: 3 ft. 10 in. Ground Clearance: 5 in. Compression ratio: 8.5 to 1.

Carburettor: S.U. Ignition: Coil.

Track:
Front: 3 ft. 11 in.
Rear: 3 ft. 11 in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 4 in.
Dry Weight: 104 cwt. Fuel Capacity: 9 galls. Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.55, 6.24, 10.08, 16.54 (standard).

Lever Position: Central



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With fibreglass as the basic material for the monocoque hull, judiciously strengthened with steel members at highly stressed points, this Lotus is an object lesson in rigidity-cum-lightness. A feature of inspired simplicity in the rear suspension, in which struts combining helical springs and their dampers are attached directly to the hub assemblies, the double-U-jointed

but unsplined half-shafts controlling the arc of wheel motion.

The engine is a single-cam Coventry Climax of 'in-between' displacement, using components from both the 1,100 and 1,500 c.c. units to arrive at a capacity of 1,220 c.c.







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SUNBEAM RAPIER, SERIES II. One of the success stories of the year in British motoring has been provided by the Series 11 Sunbeam Rapier with 1½-litre engine. Since its introduction in February it has won the R.A.C. Rally outright, ranked first and second in its class of the Circuit of Ireland, taken the team award in the Tulip Rally, and scored a coveted Coupe des Alpes in the gruelling International Alpine Rally. Our photo shows R.A.C. Rally winner Peter Harper (left) and Peter Jopp at the finish of the "Alpine".



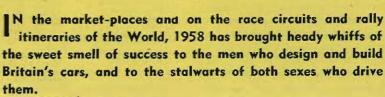
AUSTIN HEALEY SPRITE. From the moment of its annuancement on May 20th, this year, the Austin Healey Sprite was acclaimed by sporting enthusiasts all over the world. Production schedules have had to be increased and even now over 90% of all production is going abroad. In its first rally appearance the Sprite proved itself when three privately-entered cars came first, second and third in their class in the Alpine Rally Another privately-entered car won the Leinster Trophy race outright.



LISTER-JAGUAR. Considering the number of successes achieved by Jaguar cars in races and rallies all over the world, using the Jaguar XK engine, it is hardly surprising that this power unit should be chosen by other manufacturers of competition cars for their own vehicles. One of the most successful of these makers is Brian Lister, whose Lister-Jaguar has built up a considerable reputation during the past twelve months. A Lister-Jaguar is illustrated above with American sports car champion Walt. Hansgen at the wheel.

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GRAND PRIX VANWALL. All-time's most successful British car in Grand Prix racing, the private-enterprise Vanwall has swept from triumph to triumph during 1958. Brightest jewel in its crown was the Grand Prix of Europe, World's fastest post-war road race, won by Tony Brooks at Spa. Brooks also scored Grande Epreuve victories at the Nurburgring and Monza, Stirling Moss filling in the gaps with firsts at Zandvoort and Oporto. In contrast to Continental practice, Vanwall stick to four cylinders.



cooper-climax. With an engine that is both smaller and much less powerful than the opposition, the nimble Cooper-Climax has waged sensationally successful war in full Grand Prix racing this year, scoring outright wins at Buenos Aires (Moss) and Manaco (Trintignant). Earlier, Australia's thrustful and spectacular Jack Brabham pulled off the New Zealand G.P. on a Cooper-Climax, whose rear-engined layout sets it apart from the general run of modern racing cars (500's excepted).

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Each in its own class, every car pictured in this colourful autumn collection is a winner, a stand-out in any company.

But Showtime is more than a culmination of one season's efforts—it's the springboard for a leap into a challenging future. And the brains and brawn of a virile industry are getting set for the next round with a restless relish.



RILEY ONE-POINT-FIVE. As a seller, the Riley One-Point-Five has become a hit since its introduction last November. Competition-wise, its short life has been studded with successes. In March, these Rileys were second and third in their class in the R.A.C. Rolly. At Easter, Pat Moss romped home in her One-Point-Five to win the Ladies Cup in the Circuit of Ireland. In racing, One-Point-Fives were first and second in their class at the May meeting at Silverstone and, in July, took the first three class places.



ASTON MARTIN DB MK. III SALOON. When the Aston Martin BB Mk. 111 saloan was unveiled at the 1957 London Motor Show its success was immediate and the demand became: greater than for any previous Aston Martin model, particularly in the U.S.A.; production had to be more than doubled in the first six months. The DIB Mk. 111 is a craftsman-built car capable of 120 m.p.h., with disc brakes and roadsbillity of the highest order. It has exceptional luggage capacity for a sports saloon.



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VAUXHALL VICTOR. In February, 1957, when the Victor was launched. Vauxhall's managing director, Philip Copelin said, "...we can look forward to a four to five-fold increase in our exports of 4-cylinder cars." In fact, exports are now nearly six times greater than they were at that time. The Victor is the top British export car in Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg, and top British export car of its class in Austria, Switzerland, Portugal, Norway, Denmark, Sweden and Canada.



FORD ZEPHYR. The Zephyr (best selling British car in its class) is a high performance saloon which seats six people in comfort. It has numerous rally successes to its credit and, in the 1958 "toughest ever" Alpine, won an Alpine cup and took first and second places in the class. At Silverstone in May, the Ford company made the courageous experiment of entering a team of automatic-transmission Zephyrs in the touring car race. The event was won by a privately-entered Zephyr with normal gearbox.



STANDARD PENNANT. The Standard Pennant was introduced to meet the requirements of the motorist who wanted a car of modest size, but with a smart appearance and a de luxe standard of interior trim. Based on the Standard 10, the Pennant has a special body and interior, a padded facia with a new instrument layout. In the 1958 R.A.C. Rally of Great Britain, Pennants came second and third in the general classification, first, second and third in their class, and won the team prize.

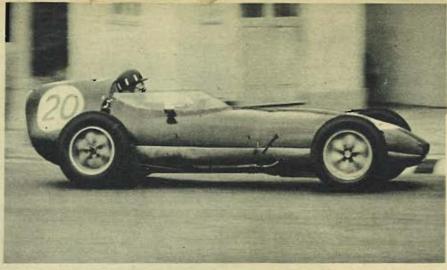
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LOTUS FORMULA CARS

Prices on application.

UTCOME of intensive development of for a specialised purpose, this car is representative of the most modern thinking on the design of racing machines. Its space frame is made up of round- and square-section tubes, varying in diameter or across-flats measurement from 1 to 1 in. Front suspension is by coil springs and fabricated wishbones, while the rear wheels are mounted on Chapman struts in conjunction with articulated drive shafts and single radius arms.

The Formula 2 version employs a twin overhead - camshaft Coventry Climax engine of 1,475 c.c., while a Type PFP unit of the same make, with a capacity of 1,960 c.c., is supplied when available for buyers with designs on F.r racing.



A five-speed gearbox, forming part of the sprung weight, is mounted solidly on the rear of the chassis, the tail section of which is removable for ease of access to or bodily detachment of the gearbox.

A minimum-drag body, panelled in light alloy, is used, the tail enclosing a 22-gallon aluminium fuel tank. Cast magnesium wheels are fitted, the front ones weighing seven pounds each and the rear ones slightly less. Bolt-on attachment helps to keep weight down and constitutes little or no handicap in view of the unlikelihood of wheel changes in the type of event in which these cars normally take part.

TECHNICAL DATA (Formula 2)

Performance details not available at time of going

gine: No. of Cylinders: 4. Bore: 81.2 mm. Stroke: 71.1 mm. Cubic Capacity: 1,475. Brake horse-power: Values: Twin o.h.c.
Compression ratio:
10 to 1.
Carburettor: S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 22 galls.

Front: Ind. coil spring fabricated wishbone.

Rear: Ind. Chapman

Overall Dimensions: Length: II ft. 8 in. Width: 5 ft. Height: 2 ft. 8 in. at head fairing. Ground Clearance: 54 in.

Track:
Front: 3 ft. II in.
Rear: 3 ft. II in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 4 in.
Dry Weight: 64 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: Wide range to choice.

Lever Position: Central.

M.G. 'MGA' TWIN-GAM

Open 2-seater:

£1,265.17.0 (incl. £422.17.0 PT).

Hard top:

£1,357.7.0 (incl. £453.7.0 PT).

THIS exciting newcomer, the fastest unsupercharged car ever listed by M.G., darkens the Earls Court door for the first time (born July, 1958). The engine, based on B.M.C.'s B-Series 'bottom end', is the same in all essentials as the one that powered the World's fastest light car-the supercharged streamliner in which Stirling Moss attained a speed of 245 m.p.h. at Bonneville last year.

Following classic racing-car practice, this unit has two overhead camshafts and hemispherical combustion chambers. With the same gear ratios



as the normal MGA, which it resembles in looks and most of its equipment, the Twin-Cam model is a brilliantly fast car for its moderate engine size,

with acceleration to match, e.g., standing quarter-mile in 18 seconds, nought to 100 m.p.h. in just over 40

Recognition features are pierced disc wheels of centre-lock type and 'Twin-Cam' motifs on the body sides. Dunlop disc brakes (not visible with this type of wheel) give the car swift, straight-line stopping from three-figure speeds.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 22 m.p.g. Top Speed: 114 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4. Overall Dimensions:
Bore: 75-4 mm. Length: 13 ft.
Stroke: 89 mm. Width: 4 ft. 10 in.
Cubic Capacity: 1,588.
Brake horse-power: 108.
Values: Twin O/h
Track: cam. Compression ratio: 9.9

Compression ratio: 9.9 Front: 4 ft. Rear: 4 ft. of in. Carburettor: Twin S.U. Wheelbase: 7 ft. 10 in. Ignition: Coil. Turning Circle: 32 ft. Dry Weight: 191 cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 10 galls,

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.3, 5.91, 9.52, 15.65.

Lever Position: Central.



(Above): The MGA open two - seater and (right) the fixed-head



M.G. 'MGA'

Open 2-seater:

£995.17.0 (incl. £332.17.0 PT).

Coupé: £1,087.7.0 (incl. £363.7.0 PT).

THIS vivacious sports two-seater still has the enviable distinction of selling three-figure performance at a three-figure price. Powered by the one

of the hotter variants of the B.M.C. B-Series engine, the MGA is an international best-seller in its field, and combines outstanding roadability with the functional good-looks resulting from a wind - tunnel - evolved body shape.

Generous interior body width (46 inches between door linings) gives driver and passenger ample elbow room, but luggage space, due to the presence of the spare wheel in the boot, is limited. An outside luggage rack, on the other hand, is among the optional extras listed, along with wire wheels, radio, heater and a range of axle ratios to meet individual requirements. A neat styling feature is the recessing of the front bumper into the body contours.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance : Average Fuel Consumption: 31-32 m.p.g. Top Speed: over 100 m.p.h.

Suspension:
Front: Ind. coil and wishbone.
Rear: Semi-elliptic.
Shock Absorbers:
Hydraulic.

No. of Cylinders: 4. Values: O/h.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 13 ft. Width: 4 ft. 94 in. Height: 4 ft. 2 in. Ground Clearance: 6 in.

Compression ratio:

8.3 to 1.

Carburettor: Twin S.U.

Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 10 galls.

Track:
Front: 3 ft. 11½ in.
Rear: 4 ft. 0 in.
Turning Circle: 28 ft.
Dry Weight: 17½ cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4-3, 5.908, 9.52, 15.652.
Lever Position: Central remote.

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M.G. MAGNETTE SALOON

£1,072.7.0 (incl. £358.7.0 PT).

A FAMILY car with an appetite for fun. The Magnette corners and holds the road like a sports model but there is nothing spartan about the furnishings, which include leather upholstery and polished wood dash and cappings. A degree milder in tune than the MGA version, this one's B-Series engine kicks out a reassuring 68 brake horsepower - enough for cruising speeds in the mid-seventies and a maximum on the cheerful side of eighty-five.

The unit-construction chassis-body aggregate follows familiar B.M.C. practice, suspension is firm without



being harsh, and steering by rack and pinion makes the Magnette a car that 'goes where you point it". Demarcation line between the two halves of the two-tone finishes is accentuated by a smart chromium beading.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 251 m.p.g. Top Speed: 88 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 73.025 mm.
Stroke: 89 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,489.
Brake horse-power: 68.
Values: O/h.
Compression ratio:
8.3 to 1.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Suspension:
Front: Ind. coil and
wishbone.
Rear: Semi-elliptic.
Shock Absorbers:
Telescopic.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 14 ft. 1 in. Width: 5 ft. 3 in. Height: 4 ft. 10 in. Ground Clearance: 64 in.

Carburettor: Twin S.U. Front: 4 ft. 3 in Rear: 4 ft. 3 in Rear: 4 ft. 3 in Wheelbase: 8 ft. 6 in Turning Circle: 374 ft. Fuel Capacity: 94 galls. Dry Weight: 212 cwt.

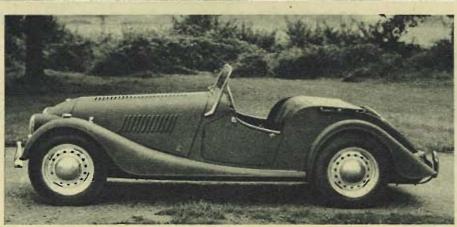
Gear Box: Synchro. Overall ratios: 4.5, 6.252, 10.074, 16.562. Lever Position: Central on floor.

MORGAN PLUS FOUR TWO-SEATER

£968.17.0 (incl. £323.17.0 PT).

THIS light, brilliantly accelerative and rather spartan sports twoseater, retaining the sliding stub-axle form of independent front suspension that Morgan adopted for their threewheelers nearly half a century ago, has had the stern of its body shell reshaped since last Show, and it now has a wider body to give more comfortable seating.

By omitting trimmings which their hardy clientele regard as superfluous, the makers radically undercut the weight of TR3 Triumph from which the Plus-Four derives its engine, the result being a stunning getaway and remarkable fuel economy. In line with



Morgan's highly individual practice, the gearbox is divorced from the engine, occupying a position between the seats. The short shift lever is thus unsurpassedly direct in action.

Morgan is now the only British

make, if not the only one of any nationality, remaining faithful to such 'traditional' body features as running boards, separate wings, a radiatorshaped frontispiece and a side-opening bonnet. Morgan are also showing the

coupé and 4-seater versions of the Plus Four and the 4/4 Series II 2-seater tourer.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 32 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 100 m.p.h.

Suspension:
Front: I.f.s. sliding
pillar and coil.
Rear: Semi-elliptic.
Shock Absorbers:
Hydraulic.
Overall Dimensions:
Length: 12 ft. 5½ im.
Width: 4 ft. 8 in.
Height: 4 ft. 4 in.
Ground Clearance: 7 in. Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4. O
Bore: 83 mm.
Stroke: 92 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,991.
Brake horse-power:

Brake norse-plane 1900 Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.5 Track:
to 1. Front: 3 ft. 11 in.
Carburettor: Twin S.U. Rear: 3 ft. 11 in.
Ignition: Coil. Wheelbase: 8 ft.
Turning Circle: 32 ft.
Fuel Capacity: 11 galls. Dry Weight: 164 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 3.73, 5.24, 7.38, 12.85.

Lever Position: Central.

Also available with Vanguard engine.

MORRIS MINOR 1000 SALOON, CONVERTIBLE & TRAVELLER

Saloon (2-door): (£625.7.0 (incl. £209.7.0 PT). Convertible:

£625.7.0 (incl. £209.7.0 PT).

DEFYING the changing whim of fashion with a basic body shape that is now a full decade old, the fabulous Minor nevertheless maintains a demand that still exceeds supply. It's roomy, it handles better than some competition models, and with nearly a litre in harness it will keep up sixtyand-some indefinitely and with ease.

The Minor range is still one of the most comprehensive in the book, comprising four saloon variants (twoand four-door, de luxe and otherwise), two convertibles and two Travellers. All the de luxe editions have heaters fitted as standard.

Gaining in popularity all the time, the Traveller bodies are made of light alloy in the midships-to-stern section. With the rear passenger seat moved forward for maximum goods carrying capacity, the aft deck measures 50 inches from front to back,

All Minors have a full-width shelf under the facia, dual glove lockers and floor gear-change lever with famously positive action. Maximum speed on the fairly 'close' third gear is a whisker short of a mile-a-minute.

£708.12.0 (incl. £237.2.0 PT).

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consump-tion: 42 m.p.g. Top Speed: 73 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 62-94 mm.
Stroke: 76 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 948.
Brake horse-power: 37.
Values: 0 fh.
Compression ratio:
8.3 to 1.
Carburettor: S.U.
Ignition: Coil and
Battery 12 volt.

Fuel Capacity : 61 galls.

Suspension:
Front: Torsion bar.
Rear: Semi-elliptic.
Shock Absorbers:
Hydraul.

Overall Dimensions .

Length: 12 ft. 4 in.

Traveller 12 ft. 5 in.

Width: 5 ft. 1 in.

Height: Saloon and

Convertible 5ft.

Traveller 5 ft. 04 in.

Ground Clearance: 64in.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 14 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 25/16 in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 2 in.
Turning Circle: 33 ft. 1 in.
Dry Weight: 2-door 144
cwt., 4-door 154.
Traveller 154.
Convertible 144

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.55, 6.415.10.80, 16.47.

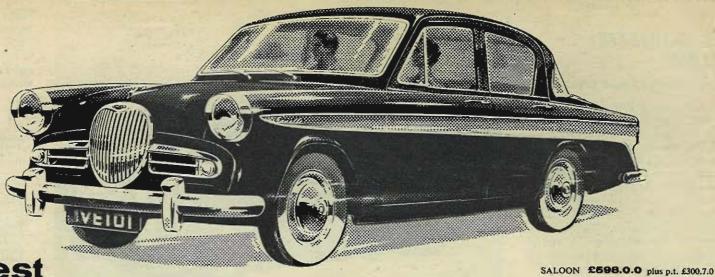
Lever Position: Central (Remote Control).







The Minor 1000 Saloon (above right), the Traveller (right) and (extreme right), the Convertible.



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MORRIS OXFORD AND COWLEY SALOONS

Oxford Saloon:

£884.17.0 (incl. £295.17.0 PT).

Cowley Saloon:

£834.12.0 (incl. £279.2.0 PT).

WITH the discontinuation, since last Showtime, of the big Isis, Morris are today putting all their eggs on to two basic chassis and ringing changes on sub-types within this compact framework. Thus, the Oxford (above right) and Cowley models share the same hull and engine but differ considerably in equipment. The power unit, of course, is the well-developed B.M.C. B-Series plant, developing 55 b.h.p. in its Morris applications.

Oxford/Cowley is a three-member family-two saloons and a Traveller. The latter, carrying the Oxford label, offers 50 cu. ft. of cargo space with the rear seats out of commission and 26 cu. ft. when rigged for four persons. Both the Oxfords have heaters 'thrown in' and are available with Manumatic transmission and the two-pedal control it provides.

Worth-knowing interior measurements of the saloons, Oxford and Cowley alike, are: - Seats to roof, front 43 ins., rear 38 ins.; rear-seat legroom, ro ins. average; width across seats, maxima of 54 ins. front and 55 ins. rear. The front seat is of bench type with a central armrest. There are lidded glove cubbies on each side of the symmetrical facia.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consump-tion: 27-30 m.p.g. Top Speed: 77 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 73.025 mm.
Stroke: 89 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,489.
Brake horse-power: 55.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio:
8.3 to 1.
Carburettor: S.U.
Ignition: Coil and
Battery 12 volt. Overall Dimensions: Length: 14 (t. 3 in. Width: 5 ft. 5 in. Height: 5 ft. 3 in. Ground Clearance: 61 in

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 5\frac{1}{2} in.
Rear: 4 ft. 5 in.
Wheelbase: 8 ft. 1 in.
Turning Circle: 35\frac{1}{2} ft.
Dry Weight: 21\frac{1}{2} cwt.

Fuel Capacity: 12 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.875, 7.266, 11.715, 19.23.

Lever Position: Steering column.





Left: The Morris Cowley Saloon. Right: The Oxford Traveller, price is £998 17s. inclusive of purchase tax.



PEERLESS SPORTS SALOON

£1,498.7.0 (incl. £500.7.0 PT).

A N electrically welded suspension frame, de Dion back axle, TR3 engine and an all-plastic body of strikingly handsome Gran Turismo typethese are salient features of a car that gave a memorable demonstration of high-speed reliability during its competition debut at Le Mans last June.

Disc brakes are fitted in front and drum pattern at the back. Rear of the car is suspended on longitudinal leaf springs. The Peerless, built in small quantities for a connoisseur market, represents a realistic attempt to combine sports car performance and handling with seating for four under a. hard roof.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consump-tion: 28-32 m.p.g. Top Speed: 117 m.p.h.

uspension:
Front: Unequal wishbones.
Rear: Half elliptic.
Shock Absorbers:
Telescopic front, p
ton rear (Armstron

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 83 mm.
Stroke: 92 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,991.
Brake horse-power: 100.
Values: 0/h.
Combression ratio: 8.5 (Bore: 83 mm.
Stroke: 92 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,991.
Brake horse-power: 100.
Width: 5 ft. 3 in.
Valves: 0 fh.
Compression ratio: 8.5 Ground Clearance: 64 in.

to 1.

Carburettor: Twin S.U. Track:
Ignition: Coil.

Front: 4 ft. 3 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 3 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 3 in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 10 in.
Turning Circle: 34 ft.
Dry Weight: 18 i cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 3.7 (O/d 3.03), 4.9 (O/d 4.02), 7.4
(O/d 6.07), 12.5.
Lever Position: Central.
Optional extra: Layeock de Normanville overdrive.



PRINCESS IV

£3,376.7.0 (incl. £1,126.7.0 PT).

"THERE goes someone with taste as well as money," is a thought often prompted by the sight of a Princess whispering by. Devoid of ostentation and meaningless ornament, this aristocrat of the B.M.C. family has an air of true breeding.

No lightweight, at just under two tons dry, the Princess is nevertheless easy on the driver's muscles; automatic transmission, similar to that used by Rolls-Royce and Bentley, is standard, and most buyers opt for the powered steering that is offered as an extra. Formerly identified with Austin, the Princess now 'stands in its own grounds'. Its manful 4-litre engine, long in the stroke for nowadays, has conventional pushrod o.h.v.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 16-18 m.p.g. Top Speed: 100 m.p.h.

Rear: Leaf springs Shock Absorbers:

Engine:

No. of Cylinders: 6. Overall Dimensions:
Bore: 87 mm.
Stroke: 111 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 3,995.
Brake horse-power: 150.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7,6 Track:
to 1.
Garburettor: Twin S.U.
Ignition: Coil.
Wheelbase: 10 ft. 14 in.
Turning Circle: 43 ft. 6 in.
Fuel Capacity: 17 galls. Dry Weight: 394 cwt.

Gear Box: Fully automatic.

Overall ratios: 4.09, 5.93, 10.76, 15.62.

Lever Position: Steering column.

Right: The Princess's elegant coachwork by Vanden Plas.





RENAULT 750 c.c.

£656.17.0 (incl. £219.17.0 PT).

STILL modern in appearance after a Slifespan of over a decade, the nippy Seven-Fifty shows little change for 1959. Based on such typical Continental concepts as rear engine placement and independent suspension for all wheels, this smallest Renault achieves maximum interior space in relation to its small and park-happy overall measurements by virtue of an unobstructed floor, in the absence of a propeller shaft.

Compression ratio has been raised from 71 to 71 to 1.

You can't expect to cram five into it but there is room for four average adults without crowding-witness the

ITH a standard of roadability

that carried the Renault banner

to outright victory in the 1958 Monte

Carlo Rally (admittedly with the help

of extensive engine and transmission

modifications), the Dauphine allies good family-motoring amenities with

handling qualities to appeal to the

sportsman. Due to its moderate weight

and smoothly contoured exterior, it's very economical too, bettering 45

Developed from the 750, the

Dauphine shares such features as a

rear-mounted engine and all-indepen-

dent suspension with the little 'un. It

is supplied as standard with a simple

but effective interior heater-unusual

on such a low-priced car. In common

m.p.g. at ordinary touring speeds.

RENAULT DAUPHINE

£758.17.0 (incl. £253.17.0 PT).

widths across seats of 49 and 47 inches, front and back respectively. Swingaxle rear springing gives a good, flat ride over bad surfaces and the stern position of the four-cylinder engine minimises mechanical sounds.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumpnspension:
Front: I.f.s. with coils.
Rear: Ind. with coils.
Shock Absorbers: tion: 50 m.p.g. Top Speed: 62 m.p.h. Overall Dimensions :

Engine: No. of Cylinders: 4. O Bore: 54.5 mm. Stroke: 80 mm. Cubic Capacity: 747. Brake horse-power: 26. Values: O/h.

Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7.75 Front: 4 ft.
to 1.
Carburettor: Solex d/d.
Ignition: Coil.
Turning Circle: 27½ ft.
Ory Weight: 11 cwt. Fuel Capacity: 6 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 5.05, 8.72, 17.4.

Lever Position: Central.

Optional extra: 'Ferlec' automatic clutch, giving two-pedal control.

with most rear-engined vehicles, it has rather less luggage space than the average horse-before-the-cart car, but passenger accommodation is generous and well appointed. For 1959, compression ratio goes up to 7% to 1.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 47 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 71 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 58 mm.
Stroke: 80 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 845.
Brake horse-power: 30.
Values: O/h.
Combression valio: Compression ratio:

Compression ratio: Track: 7.75 to 1.

Carburettor: Solex d/d. Rear: 4 ft. 1 in.

Carburettor: Coil. Wheelbase: 7 ft. 5 in.

Turning Circle: 29 ft.

Fuel Capacity: 7 galls. Dry Weight: 124 cwt. Fuel Capacity: 7 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.68, 7.88, 16.19.

Lever Position: Central.

Optional extra: 'Ferlec' automatic clutch, giving two-pedal control.



RENAULT FRÉGATE

£1,343.2.0 (incl. £448.12.0 PT).

IFFERING from typical British family cars in little except its independent suspension at the back as well as the front, the Frégate is a solid and dependable medium-weight with a good appetite for work. Like the 750 and the Dauphine, it has interior heating as part of the basic deal. The special version known as the Grand Pavois features Transfluide transmission and two-pedal control.

There is a new frontal grille and other styling changes for 1959.

Points to note in the driving compartment are good visibility of the compactly grouped instrumentsframed in the upper segment of the steering-wheel and not obscured by a spoke-two large glove cubbies, and

the bands of anti-impact rubber padding spanning the top of the windscreen and the base of the dash.

Capable of speeds up to 85 m.p.h., the Frégate will cruise in mid-seventies for indefinite periods.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 21.38 m.p.g.
(Transfluide),
25 m.p.g. (Standard).
Top Speed: 85 m.p.h.

Top Speed: Of Naples.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 88 mm.
Stroke: 88 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,141.
Brake horse-power: 80.3
(Transfluide), 77
(Standard).
Values: O(h.
Compression ratio: 7.5
to 1.
Carburettor: Solex d/d.
Ignition: Coil.
Fuel Capacity: 12 galls.

Overall Dimensions:
Length: 15 ft. 5½ in.
Width: 5 ft. 7½ in.
Height: 5 ft.
Ground Clearance: 5½ in.
Front: 4 ft. 7 in.
Wheelbase: 9 ft. 2 in.
Turning Circle: 33 ft.
Dry Weight: 25½ cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 3.89, 5.14, 8.09, 14.82.
Lever Position: Steering column.
Optional extra: Transfluide Drive.



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IGHT for its seating capacity, and L using a twin-carburettor version of the ubiquitous B-Series B.M.C. engine, this is a car for drivers who enjoy motoring for its own sake. It is coming to Earls Court for the first time, having been launched a few weeks after the 1957 Show.

Sharing a chassis-body unit with the Wolseley 1500 saloon, the One-Point-Five marks a complete departure from traditional Riley practice, almost the sole concession to Auld Lang Syne being a frontal grille styled after the old Riley radiator.

The accent, however, is on restrained luxury rather than price-paring-the facia, for instance, is carried out in polished walnut, has a built-in grille

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for a radio speaker and an 'instrumental bonus' in the form of a rev. counter.

Although this Riley doesn't give the impression of belonging in the smallest family-car class, its wheelbase is, surprisingly enough, the same as the Morris Minor's. Acceleration times to 40, 50 and 60 m.p.h. are of the order of 81, 13 and 19 seconds, while 78 m.p.h. can be reached in third gear.

TECHNICAL DATA

tion: 25/35 m.p.g. Top Speed: 85 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 73.025 m.m.
Stroke: 88.9 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,489.
Brake horse-power: 68.
Values: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.3

to I. Carburettor: Twin S.U. Ignition: Coil. Front: 4 ft. 3 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 2½ in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 2 in.
Turning Circle: 34 ft. 3 in.
Dry Weight: 18½ cwt. Fuel Capacity: 7 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 3.73, 5.12, 8.25, 13.56.
Lever Position: Central.



RILEY TWO-POINT-SIX

£1,411.7.0 (incl. £471.7.0 PT).

A T the end of its first full season's production run, this Riley is established as a connoisseurs' choice among B.M.C.'s six-cylinder lines. An unusual styling feature, so far as twotone examples are concerned, is the combination of dark upper and lower areas with a pale 'equator'. In conjunction with a typical Riley frontispiece, moderately hooded headlamps and a plated finish for the disc wheels, this treatment is unusually pleasing.

Riley is today one of the few makes remaining faithful to a right-hand gear-change, a system that makes way for a third person on the front seat without the disadvantages, real or



alleged, of a steering-column shift. Leg-room for the odd-man-out in front is, however, rather restricted by the

large transmission hump. Overdrive and full automatic transmission are among the optional extras.

The luggage locker is appropriately big for this large-size family car and, due to the low level of the trailing edge of its lid, heavy and bulky packages are easily loaded and extracted.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consump-Top Speed: 100 m.p.h.

Overall Dimensions; Length: 15 ft. 5½ in. Width: 5 ft. 7 in. Height: 5 ft. 1 in. Ground Clearance: 6¼ in

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 79.37 mm.
Stroke: 88.9 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,639.
Brake horse-power: 101.
Values: O/h.
Combression ratio: Compression ratio:
8.3 to 1.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
Ignition: Coil.

Compression ratio:
8.3 to 1.

Carburettor: Twin S.U.

Ignition: Coil.

Wheelbase: 9 tt. 54 in.

Turning Circle: 404 ft.

Fuel Capacity: 12 galls.

Turning Circle: 404 ft.

Dry Weight: 324 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 3.91, 5.6, 8.03, 12.93.

Lever Position: Floor at side.

ROLLS-ROYCE SILVER CLOUD

Standard Saloon: £5,693.17.0 (incl. £1,898.17.0 PT).

Mulliner Coupé: £8,326.7.0 (incl. £2,776.7.0 PT).

XACTLY counterparting the S-L'Series Bentley in everything except frontal shape and nameplate, the Silver Cloud retains its familiar looks and character for 1959. Built, finished and equipped with enviable disregard for cost, it still need fear no rival claimants to the title of "The best car in the world". In addition to the standard saloon with pressed-steel body, Earls Court exhibits include the usual customised versions of the Silver Cloud with special bodies by such creators as James Young, Freestone and Webb, and Hooper.

For the fortunate minority of our readers who are able to contemplate Rolls ownership outside of dreamland, here are some interior measure ments:-Headroom, front and back, 40½ and 37½ in.; widths within armrests, front and back, 481 and 451 in.; rear-seat knee-room, 142 in. maximum.

For a car which is almost inaudible and weighs 37 cwt., a standing-quarter mile time of less than 19 secs. must be considered remarkable.



TECHNICAL DATA

erformance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 17 m.p.g.
Top Speed: Over
100 m.p.h.

Bore: 3t in. Stroke: 4t in. Cubic Capacity: 4,8 Valves: O/h. inlet, Compression ratio: 8

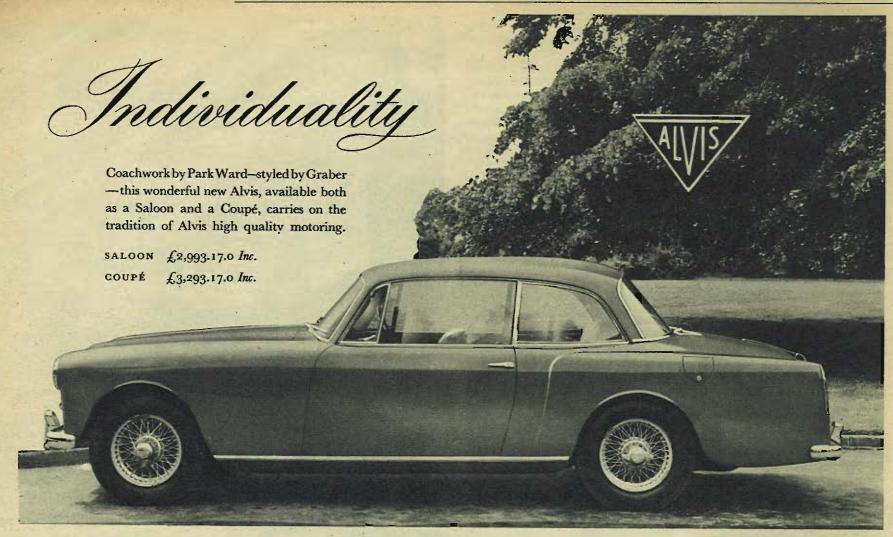
Ground Clearance: 7 in. Carburettor: Twin S.U. Track: Ignition: Coil Front Ignition: Coil Front: 4 ft. 10 in.
Rear: 5 ft.
Wheelbase: 10 ft. 3 in.
Turning Circle: 41 ft. 8 in.
Dry Weight: 37 cwt.

Length: 17 ft. 8 in. Width: 6 ft. 23 in. Height: 5 ft. 4 in.

Gear Box: Automatic.
Overall ratios: 3.42, 4.96, 9.00, 13.06.
Lever Position: Steering column.

The Silver Cloud Standard Saloon and (below) the drophead coupé with coachwork by H. J. Mulliner





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ROLLS-ROYCE SILVER WRAITH

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"LUXURY surpassing the dreams of avarice" sums up this enormous and majestic-if somewhat oldfashioned looking-limousine. Saloons are also available on the same chassis, which is nearly a foot longer than the Silver Cloud's.

With its sumptuous furnishings and deep-cushioned comfort, the Wraith almost smells of wealth. This salutary smell can, moreover, be maintained at any desired temperature regardless of the heat or chill of the surrounding atmosphere, thanks to air-conditioning equipment that is more than merely a means of creating or abating fug.

Mechanically, the Wraith is the same as the Cloud, apart from its wheelbase.

TECHNICAL DATA

Engine: No. of Cylinders: 6, Bore: 34 in. Stroke: 44 in. Cubic Capacity: 4,887. Values: O/h. inlet, side exhaust. Compression ratio: 8 to 1. Carburettor: 2 S.U. Ignition: Coil.

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 15-17 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 100 plus
m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Collinders: 6.

Suspension:
Front: Ind. helical
springs.
Rear: Long semi-ellip.
leaf springs.
Hydraul. shock
dampers.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 18 ft. 2 in. Width: 6 ft. 5 in. Height: To specifica-tion. Ground Clearance: 7 in.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 10 in.
Rear: 5 ft. 4 in.
Wheelbase: 11 ft. 1 in.
Turning Circle: 45 ft. 5 in.
Dry Weight: 27 cwt.
chassis only.

Fuel Capacity: 18 galls. Gear Box: Automatic.
Overall ratios: 4.25, 6.16, 11.19, 16.23.
Lever Position: Steering column.

The Silver Wraith Touring Saloon with coachwork by Park Ward and



ROVER 3-LITRE SALOON

£1,763.17.0 (incl. £588.17.0 PT).

NEW from the ground up, this is the biggest-engined car Rovers have made for very many years. Modern in looks, sumptuously furnished, and with an engine designed for unobtrusively thrustful performance, it marks a fresh step in Rover's ascent of the luxury ladder. Borg Warner automatic transmission, banishing the gear-lever, is an optional extra.

Based on the 90/105 unit, the 2995 cc. engine retains the 'parent' stroke measurement but has its bore increased to 77.8 mm.; the valve arrangement, too, follows the maker's tradition, with overhead inlet valves and in-the-block exhausts. The massive counter-balanced crankshaft runs in seven copperlead bearings and is claimed to be free from torsional vibration at all r.p.m. within the engine's wide revolution

Special efforts have been made to eliminate the transmission of sounds from the chassis to the body, the latter being mounted on rubber at six points.

The standard transmission comprises a four-speed gearbox with synchromesh engagement of all gears except first, in conjunction with Laycock overdrive if so desired. Brakes are by Girling, with two trailing shoes (for fade-proofing) and servo assistance. Front suspension is on laminated torsion bars.

Appointments include walnut facings for the glove lockers and for a fillet



around the interior of the car just below the waistline.

TECHNICAL DATA

tion: 23 m.p.g. Top Speed: 95 m.p.h.

Rear: Semi-elliptic. Shock Absorbers:

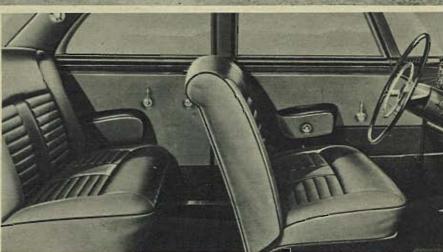
Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 77.8 mm.
Stroke: 105 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,995.
Brake horse-power: 115
at 4,250.
Values: O f h. inlet,
side exhaust.
Compression ratio: 8.75
to 1.
Carburettor: S.U.
H.D.6.
Ignition: Coil.
Shock Absorbers:
Telescopic.
Width: 5 ft. 10 in.
Ground Clearance: 7½ in.
Fround Clearance: 7½ in.
Front: 4 ft. 7 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 8 in.
Wheelbase: 9 ft. 2 in.

to 1.
Carburettor: S.U.
H.D.6.
Ignition: Coil.
Front: 4 ft. 7 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 8 in.
Wheelbase: 9 ft. 2 in.
Dry Weight: 30 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro Semi-automatic.

Overall ratios: 4.3 (O.D. 3.35), 5.92, 8.78, 14.52.

Lever Position: Steering column.



Interior of the new Rover 3-litre saloon

ROVER 105 SALOON

£1,628.17.0 (incl. £543.17.0 PT).

FTER a comparatively brief cur-A rency, the suffixes "R" and "S" disappear from the 105 type number, signifying the abandonment of torqueconverter transmission. The residual model, known simply as the 105 henceforth, has the makers' own synchromesh four-speed gearbox in conjunction with a version of the Laycock overdrive giving a limited degree of automation.

As can be seen from the appropriate data panels, the 105 has the same engine capacity as the famous 40, but various power-boosting adjuncts result in a gain of some 15 b.h.p., giving the 105 a three-figure top speed. In common with the 60, 75 and 90 models, the 105 has a new radiator grille, facia panel and bumper design.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 18-24 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 100 m.p.h.

Engine:

No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 73.025 mm.
Stroke: 105 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,638.
Brake horse-power: 108.
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Ignition: Coil.

Hydraul.

Overall Dimensions:

Length: 14 ft. 10 in.
Width: 5 ft. 5 in.
Height: 5 ft. 3 in.
Ground Clearance: 7 in.
Front: 4 ft. 4 in.
Wheelbase: 9 ft. 3 in.
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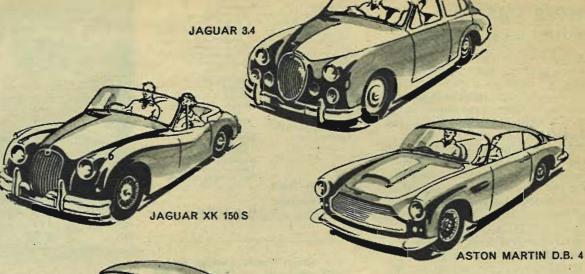
Carburettor: 2 S.U. Front: 4 ft. 4 in. Rear: 4 ft. 34 in. Wheelbase: 9 ft. 3 in. Fuel Capacity: 114 galls. Turning Circle: 37 ft.

Gear Box: Synchro Semi-automatic.

Overall ratios: Normal 4.7 to 1. Emergency low
3.18 to 1.

Lever Position: Central.



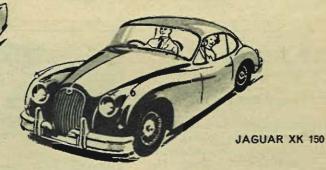


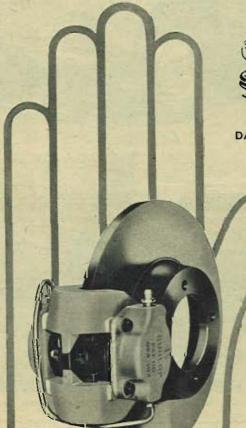
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Performance:
Average Fuel Co
tion: 30-36 m
Top Speed:
m.p.h.

Bore: 79 mm.
Stroke: 76.2 m
Cubic Capacity
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Values: O/h.
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d/d.
Ignition: Coil.

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Gear Box: Synchi Overall ratios: 11.81, 15.22. Lever Position: Overd

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THESE, the longest - established I models in the Rover range, are continued for '59 without structural change, but they will be visibly 'dated' by a new design of frontal grille and bumpers. The number plate mounting is also improved. Within, there are revisions to the facia layout. Due to the popularity of two-tone colour schemes, the chromium waistline strip which is a corollary to these finishes is being applied to all cars in the 60-75-90 group, whether their buyers do or don't specify two colours.

Basis of the close relationship between these three models-the '60' with four cylinders, the other two with six—is the common chassis and body which they share. The Rover clientele



thus has a choice between an economical car with generous passenger space for its performance, or two notably that is moderate in relation to litreage.

An uncommon mechanical feature of

all Rovers is an engine with its inlet valves over the exhausts, an arrangement combining good volumetric efficiency with silky operation at all speeds. By the use of rubber bushes

wherever possible, together with prepacked bearings and oil reservoirs needing only bi-annual replenishment, the number of chassis points calling for grease-gun treatment is reduced to

TECHNICAL DATA

(60, 75 and 90 models)

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 27, 25 and 22 m.p.g. Top Speed: 74, 80 and 85 m.p.h.

Suspension:
Front: I.f.s. with coils.
Rear: Semi-ellip.
Shock Absorbers:
Hydraul. Overall Dimensions: Length: 14 ft. 10 in. Width: 5 ft. 5 in. Height: 5 ft. 3 in. Ground Clearance: 7 in.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4, 6
and 6. Bore : 77.8, 73.025 and 73.025 mm.
Stroke: 105, 88.9 and Stroke: 105, 85.9 and to 5 mm.

Cubic Capacity: 1,997, 2,290 and 2,638.

Brake horse power: 60, Rear: 4 ft. 3 i in. 8 to 10 mm feet and 10 mm Ignition : Coil.

Fuel Capacity : 111 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro (Incorporating free wheel on "60" and "75" models).

Overall ratios: 4-3, 5-923, 8-785, 14-506.

Lever Position: Central.

SINGER GAZELLE SALOON

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TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consump-

erformance: Suspension:

Average Fuel Consumption: 30-36 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 80 plus m.p.h.

Suspension:
Front: Ind. coil.
Rear: Semi-elliptic.
Theke Absorbers:
Telescopic, hydraulic.

Overall Dimensions

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 79 mm.
Stroke: 76.2 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,494.
Brake horse-power:

Vertall Dimensions: Length: 13 ft. 7½ in. Width: 5 ft. 0½ in. Height: Sah 4 ft. 11½ in. Conv. 4 ft. o in. Estate 5 ft. 1 in. Ground Clearance: 7 in.

Brake horse-power:
60.2. Ground Clearance: 7 in.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.5. Track:
Carburettor: Solex Front: 4 ft. 1 in.
d/d. Rear: 4 ft. 0 in.
Ignition: Coil. Wheelbase: 8 ft.
Turning Circle: 36 ft.
Fuel Capacity: 10 galls. Dry Weight: Sal. 20 cwt.
Conv. 20 cwt. Estate
21 cwt. Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.78 (o/d 3.61), 7.13 (o/d 5.39). II.81, 15.22. Lever Position: Steering column.
Overdrive optional extra.

IMPROVED appearance and comfort are the objects of the minor changes introduced by Singer for the Show. The broad stripe along the body flanks, bordered by a plated beading, has been extended rearwards and altered in shape; it now carries the two-colour motif around the tail of the car. Within, the front-to-back measurement of the bench-type front seat fitted to the saloon and estate car has been slightly increased to give better under-knee support, and a centre arm-rest in the driving compartment becomes standard equipment.

Earlier this year, it will be remembered, the Gazelle's original overheadcamshaft engine was replaced by the pushrod unit used by the rest of the Rootes family of marques; in its Singer form, with a single carburettor, it generates 60.2 gross b.h.p. at 4,500 r.p.m.

Another mechanical revision, made at the same time as the engine switch,



This photograph shows clearly the new broad stripe which has been extended rearwards along the body flanks.

was the introduction of recirculatingball steering, bringing a considerable saving in manual effort on the wheel.

As an aid to easeful cruising, overdrive by Laycock can be had as an extra on all the current Singers.

STANDARD EIGHT SALOON

£646.7.0 (incl. £216.7.0 PT).

FEW full four-seater saloons, powered by a forming saloons, ered by a 'car-size' four-cylinder engine, can boast of such low petrol consumption as this, the baby of the Standard family. Even with standard transmission, a gallon goes a long way, but the addition of the Laycock overdrive which is an optional extra makes the Eight an outstandingly economical car; in average day-today use it will beat 45 m.p.g., while at a steady 50 miles per hour this figure rises to over 50 m.p.g.

Of straightforward design, with inline o.h. valves, the engine is a lively performer, too, accelerating the car from zero to 50 m.p.h. in under 22 seconds.

For the convenience of owners who often carry only one passenger but don't care to stint themselves on luggage, the rear seat cushion, plus either or both halves of the squab, may be folded forward, thus amalgamating the rear compartment and

the boot.

As an addition or an alternative to overdrive, Standrive transmission with a centrifugal clutch-eliminating the 'manual' clutch pedal - can be

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 47-52 m.p.g. Top Speed: 70 m.p.h.

Engine: pers.

No. of Cylinders: 4.

Bore: \$8 mm.
Stroke: 76 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 803.

Brake horse-power: 33.
Valves: O/h.
Combression ratio: 8.25.

Compression ratio: 8.25. Width Carburettor: Solex downdraught type. Ignition: Coil Centrifugal and vacuum Teack: automatic advance control.

Front: 4 ft. of in.
Rear: 4 ft. of in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft.
Turning Circle: 32 ft.
Dry Weight: 134 cwt. Fuel Capacity : 7 galls.

Width: 4 ft. 10 in. Height: 4 ft. 11 in. Ground Clearance: 6 in.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.55, 6.62, 11.2, 19.45.
Lever Position: Central.



The Standard ten "Companion" Estate Car (right) is a very rugged little vehicle and will carry 4 cwt. of cargo in addition to driver and passenger. Price: £743 17s. inclusive of P.Tax.

STANDARD TEN SALOON

£661.7.0 (incl. £221.7.0 PT).

B ASED on the same chassis-body hull as the thrifty Eight, the Ten, by virtue of an 145 c.c. displacement bonus, offers a substantially improved performance in exchange for an extra £15. The additional cylinder capacity adds 5 brake horse-power to the output, the benefit being felt in the lower and middle speed ranges



more than at the top end of the scale. Recognition features of the Ten, vis-à-vis the Eight, are the former's heavily framed frontal air-intake aper-

under our Eight heading.

tance between armrests at the back is 39 ins., and the width of the indi-

TECHNICAL DATA

tion: 42/47 m.p.g. Top Speed: 73 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders; 4.
Bore: 63 mm.
Stroke: 76 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 948.
Brake horse-power:

Brake horse-power: 37

at 5,000 r.p.m.

Valves: O/h.

Compression ratio: 8

to 1

Carburetter: Solex.

downdraught type.

Ignition: Coil, Centrifugal and vacuum Rear: 4 ft. 01 in.

automatic advance Wheelbase: 7 ft.

Turning Circle: 32 ft.

Dry Weight: 142 cwt. Overall Dimensions: Length: 11 ft 10 in. Width: 4 ft. 10 in. Height: 4 ft. 11 in. Ground Clearance: 6 in.



STANDARD PENNANT

£728.17.0 (incl. £243.17.0 PT).

SALES philosophy behind this Stan-dard is to think of everything that the gadget-conscious customer is likely to want and fit it before the cars roll off the production line. With the exception of a heater and radio, all these hypothetical wishes are gratified in advance, the list of standard equipment including a courtesy light operated by all doors, twin sun visors, ashtrays in both compartments, etc., etc.

Also, of course, with its two-colour finishes and waistline accentuation by means of a plated beading, the Pennant is one of the dressiest members of the Standard clan. Overdrive and twopedal control can be ordered as extras.

Basic structure of the Pennant derives from the Ten, but the car is slightly shorter and lower than its parent and has a more highly tuned engine.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consump-tion: 42-47 m.p.g. Top Speed: 73 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 63 mm.
Stroke: 76 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 948.
Brake horse-power: 3
at 5,000 r.p.m.
Values: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8

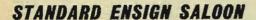
to 1.
Carburettor: Solex d/d.
Ignition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity : 7 galls.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. of in.
Rear: 4 ft. of in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft.
Turning Circle: 32 ft.
Dry Weight: 144 cwt.

uspension:
Front: Ind. coil.
Rear: Semi-elliptic
Shack Absorbers:
Front, telescopic.
Rear, lever-arm

Overall Dimensions: Length: 11 ft. 10 in. Width: 4 ft. 10 in. Height: 4 ft. 11 in. Ground Clearance: 6 in.



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INTRODUCED at last year's Show, this car uses the main elements of the Vanguard but has an engine of reduced capacity and a simplified specification in order to cut production costs and, accordingly, selling price. Also, it has a floor-mounted gear lever, a feature which many experienced drivers actually prefer to the Vanguard's steering-column shift.

Performancewise, the 'docking' of approximately 400 c.c. does not handicap the car too severely (60 m.p.h. can be reached from a standstill in about 24½ seconds), while petrol economy is naturally improved. Such items as a passenger-side sun visor

and centre armrests are omitted from the equipment, but there is a large range of optional extras.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 32-38 m.p.g. Top Speed: 75-80 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4. Stroke: 92 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,670.
Brake horse-power: 60.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8
to 1.
Carburettor: D/d.
Ignition: Coil.

Height: 5 ft. Ground Clearance: 7 in.

Fuel Capacity: 12 galls.

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.1, 5.66, 8.61, 14.5.
Lever Position: Central



ture, and chromium flashes along the body sides. Both cars, of course; have the extra-luggage facilities mentioned

Front-seat headroom is 37 ins., decreasing to 33 ins. at the back; disvidual front seats is 20 ins.

Performance: Average Fuel Consump-

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.55, 6.62, 11.2, 19.45.
Lever Position: Central.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.55, 6.62, 11.2, 19.45.

Lover Position: Central remote.

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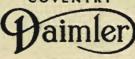


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WITH the discontinuance of the Sportsman from the Vanguard range, the standard model has been restyled to cut a new dash. The quite extensive beauty treatment includes a neater frontal grille, a redefined waistline that lends itself well to the two-tone colour schemes which can be specified, and brightwork wheel embellishers filling the whole area between the nave plates and the rims.

With standard transmission, the Vanguard will accelerate from nought to 60 m.p.h. in just over 22 seconds, but takes slightly longer with the automatic system which is an optional extra. An estate car is available for an additional £113.5.0.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 28-34 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 84 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 85 mm.
Stroke: 29 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,088.
Brake horse-power: 68
b.h.p. at 4,200 r.p.m.
Valves: O/h.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 14 ft. 4 in. (Estate: 14 ft. 2½ in.) Width: 5 ft. 7½ in. Height: 5 ft. 0 in. Ground Clearance: 7½ in. Compression ratio: 7.5. Width Carburettor: Solex downdraught. Ignition: Coil, centrifugal and suction Track: controlled automatic advance. (Es. Width Cround Ignition: Coil, centrifugal and suction Track: Front: Rear:

controlled automatic Front: 4 ft. 3 in.
advance. Rear: 4 ft. 3 in.
Wheelbase: 8 ft. 6 in.
Tuning Circle: 35 ft.
Fuel Capacity: 12 galls. Dry Weight: 23 cwt.
(Estate: 14 galls.) (Estate: 25 cwt.)

Front: Independent, coil springs with telescopic dampers.

Rear: Semi-elliptic springs with telescopic dampers.

Shock Absorbers:
Hydraul.

Gear Box: Synchro on all forward ratios.

Overall ratios: 4.3, 7.18, 15.22.

Lever Position: Steering column.

Note: Laycock de Normanville Overdrive, 4-speed gear-box, optional extras.

"STIRLING" SPORTS SALOON

£541.7.0 (incl. £181.7.0 PT).

FROM S. E. Opperman Ltd., makers of the Unicar, comes this new "baby". Body and chassis are of fibre glass, moulded in two halves. The top and bottom sections are joined at about waist level, the line of fusion being concealed by a moulding strip running right round the car. This strip is continued over the two separatelymoulded doors.

The rear bench-type seat will accommodate two children or can be tilted forward to form a flat platform for



luggage. There is also a large parcel shelf under the front scuttle.

As in the Unicar, the two-stroke engine is mounted at the rear.

TECHNICAL DATA

Average Fuel Consump-tion: Not stated. Top Speed: Not stated.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 2.
Bore: 64 mm.
Stroke: 66 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 424.
Brake horse-power: 2
Compression ratio:
8 to 1.
Carburettor: Zenith
d/d.
Lenition: Siba

Ignition: Siba Dynastart.

Fuel Capacity : 41 galls.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 10 ft. 9 in. Width: 4 ft. 11 in. Height: 4 ft. 2 in. Ground Clearance: 6 in.

Track:
Front: 4 ft.
Rear: 4 ft.
Wheelbase: 6 ft. 6 in.
Turning Circle: 32 ft.
Dry Weight: 8 cwt.
approx.

Gear Box: Motorcycle type.

Overall ratios: 5.25, 7.25, 10.4, 17.2.

Lever Position: Central.

SUNBEAM RAPIER

£1,043.17.0 (incl. £348.17.0 PT). Convertible: £1,103.17.0 (incl. £368.17.0 PT).

THIS, the sole Sunbeam in currency, is a much transformed car since Earls Court, 1957. The Series 11 model, launched early this year, has a new and enlarged engine, entirely revised styling and a partly redesigned chassis giving easier control and improved cornering qualities. There are two variants, the saloon and the convertible.

Although without pretensions to full sports-car status, the 11-litre Rapier is a fast and manoeuvrable vehicle with many of the qualities demanded by the rough-and-tumble of international rallies; in this year's Alpine Rally, for instance, Sunbeams filled first, second, fourth and fifth positions in their class





The backs of both front seats of the convertible hinge forward to give access to the and also scored a coveted Coupe des

The gear lever is now in the position generally preferred by sporting drivers -central-whereas the spacing of the gearbox ratios-with second close to a low third gear, but a large gap between second and third-is more in line with touring tastes.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: Average Fuel Consumption: 30 m.p.g. Top Speed: 87.5 m.p.h.

Engine:

No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 79 mm.
Stroke: 76.2 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,494.
Brake horse-power: 73.
Values: 0/h.
Compression ratio: 8.5
(o 1.
Track:
Front: Overall Dimensions: Length: 13 ft. 6½ in. Width: 5 ft. 0½ in. Height: 4 ft. 10 in. Ground Clearance: 5½ in.

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Carburettor: Twin Zenith 36 WIP 2.
Ignition: Coil.

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Ignition: Coil.

Fund: A ft. 1 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 0 in.
Wheelbase: 8 ft.
Turning Circle: 36 ft.
Fuel Capacity: 10 galls. Dry Weight: 204 cwt.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.55, 6.794, 11.258, 14.518.

Lever Position: Central.

Optional extra: Overdrive.



TRIUMPH TR3 SPORTS

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No change this time, although this will be the TR3's first Earls Court appearance with the current type of wide and shallow frontal grille. The accent, of course, is on speed and acceleration at low first cost, and allied to an exceptionally light thirst for petrol - comfortably over 30 m.p.g. at journey averages that family cars of comparable engine size couldn't approach. Laycock overdrive is an optional extra.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance: S Average Fuel Consump-tion: 26-32 m.p.g. Top Speed: 110 m.p.h.

Engine:

No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 83 mm.
Stroke: 92 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1.991.
Brake horse-power: 100
b.h.p. at 5,000 r.p.m.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.5.
Carburettor: Twin S.U.
H.6.
Lawition: Coil centri-

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 3.7, 4.9, 7.4, 12.5.
Lever Position: Central remote.

Suspension:
Front: Independent.
Coil Spring controlled
by telescopic dampers.
Rear: Semi-elliptic
springs, piston type
dampers.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 12 ft. 7 in. Width: 4 ft. 7 in. Height: Hard 4 ft. hood folded 3 ft. 4 Ground Clearance:

H.6. Ground Clearance:
Ignition: Coil, centrifugal and suction controlled automatic Track:
Front: 3 ft. 9 in.
Rear: 3 ft. 9 in.
Wheelbase: 7 ft. 4 in.
Turning Circle: 34 ft.
Dry Weight: 18 cwt.

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VAUXHAI **CRESTA**

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Velox: £983

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UNICAR

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UNDISGUISEDLY built down to a price, the Unicar represents a worthy attempt to satisfy the marginal motorist's plea for basic transportation at very low first cost, combined with minimum running expenses. Both the twin-cylinder two-stroke engine and the three-speed gearbox are of motorcycle type, equipment is sparing and some mechanical features reach a new level of simplicity. Rear suspension, for example, is by a single central coil spring and damper unit, which, however, works well.

The track is markedly 'crabbed'rear wheels are a foot closer together than the fronts-and the shape of the hard-top coupé body is pleasingly modern. This shell is made from glassfibre bonded with resin plastics and has

sheet steel reinforcement. The engine is rear mounted and there is no bonnet opening to form a luggage receptacle. In addition to the driver and his companion, two small children can be accommodated at the back.

TECHNICAL DATA

Overall Dimensions: Length: 9 ft. 8 in. Width: 4 ft. 70 in. Height: 4 ft. 7 in. Ground Clearance: 7½ in.

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 52-58 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 56 m p.h.

Engine: No. of Cylinders: 2.
Bore: 58 mm.
Stroke: 62 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 328.
Brake horse-power:
18 at 5,000.
Compression ratio:
7-4 to 1.
Carburetter: Amal.

Carburettor: Amal.
Ignition: Twin coils.

Rear: 3 ft.
Wheelbase: 6 ft.
Turning Circle: 39 ft.
Dry Weight: 64 cwt.

Gear Box: Motor-cycle type. Overall ratios: 5.127, 8.2, 15.588. Lever Position: Central.



VAUXHALL **CRESTA & VELOX**

£1,073.17.0 (incl. £358.17.0 PT).

Velox:

£983.17.0 (incl. £328.17.0 PT).

NEW from bumper to bumper at the last Show, the two Vauxhall sixes, Cresta and Velox, expectedly continue unchanged mechanically this time. There are, however, some new styling and decorative touches, including additional colour choices for both paintwork and upholstery. A centre folding arm-rest becomes an optional extra on both models.

The Cresta, of course, is a de luxe version of the Velox, distinguished by such features as a screen washer, electric clock, heater, white-wall tyres, nvlon - and - Elastofab upholstery in place of Vynide, wheel discs, stainless steel window frames and roof-light operation by all doors instead of by the front pair only.

First impressions of the Vauxhall sixes-often expressed at the '57 Show in the words "A lot of car for the money"-have been amply confirmed during their first production season. The beefy oversquare engine, true to its American lineage, is outstandingly





flexible, resulting in a top-gear acceleration time from 50 to 70 m.p.h. of about 13 seconds. A full panoramic windscreen and rear window give a light interior with excellent look-out in all directions.

A 4½-inch reduction in roof height (compared with the pre-1958 Velox and Cresta lines) involved some sacrifice in rear-seat headroom, but the width of both front and rear compartments-521 in. between arm-rests — allows elbow-room for a six-person complement.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:

Average Fuel Consumption: 25/28 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 85/90 m.p.h.
Suspension:
Front: Ind. coil spring S.L.A.
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S.L.A.
Shock Absorbers:
Telescopic Hydraulic.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 79.37 mm.
Stroke: 76.20 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,262.
Brake horse-power: 82.5.
Compression ratio: 7.8
Track:
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Carbwettor: Zenith 34
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Correle: 36 ft. Carburettor: Z. VNT. Ignition: Coil.

Front: 4 ft. 6 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 6 in.
Wheelbase: 8 ft. 9 in.
Turning Circle: 36 ft.
Dry Weight: 221 cwt.
(approx). Fuel Capacity: 10f galls. Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.11, 6.72, 11.78.

Lever Position: Steering column

Top picture shows the Cresta, and below it is the Velox.

VAUXHALL VICTOR

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BEST-SELLER in its class at A home, and rapidly making a considerable circle of friends (and fans) in the U.S., the modernistic Victor enters its third season without important changes. For its engine capacity of just over 11 litres, it has generous passenger and luggage space, and few four-cylinder engines of the Victor's size can beat it for smoothness and lusty pulling.

The saloon is made in two versions, standard and de luxe, while in addition there is an estate car with a goods volume of over 45 cubic feet and a load limit of 850 lbs. In this latter applica-



tion, the large tail overhang which is characteristic of the modern Vauxhalls is turned to advantage insofar as the wheel arches made only a partial encroachment on the luggage space remaining when the rear seat bench is raised.

Backward-sloping windscreen pillars

and a panoramic screen give the Victor driver an excellent look-out, although at the cost of a projection into the door aperture which slightly hinders ingress

Such under-bonnet items as the sparking plugs, battery, carburettor and distributor are easily accessible for routine maintenance.

TECHNICAL DATA

tion: 31-36 m.p.g. Top Speed: over 75 m.p.h.

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 79.37.
Stroke: 76.2.
Cubic Capacity: 1,507.
The horse-bower: 55. Values: O/h. Compression ratio: 7.8 or 6.8 to 1.
Carburettor: Zenith 34 VN.
Igmition: Coil.

Fuel Capacity: 8 galls.

Overall Dimensions: Length: 13 ft. 114 in. Width: 5 ft. 24 im. Height: 4 ft. 10 in. Ground Clearance: 64 in.

Track:
Front: 4 ft. 2 in.
Rear: 4 ft. 2 in.
Wheelbase: 8 ft. 2 in.
Turning Circle: 34 ft.
Dry Weight: 194 cwt.
(approx.).

Front: Ind. coil
spring S.L.A.
Rear: Semi-elliptic, rev.

camber.
Shock Absorbers:
Telescopic hydraulic.

Gear Box: Synchro.

Overall ratios: 4.125, 6.75, 13.14.

Lever Position: Steering column



WOLSELEY 1500

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IGHT weight, moderate frontal and one of the milder degrees of tune for the B-Series B.M.C. engine . . there you have an infallible recipe for economy in a full-sized family four - seat saloon. How well it works in practice is shown by the 1500's petrol consumption figure of 35 m.p.g. under medium-to-hard driving conditions, improving to over 40 to the gallon when conscious care is exercised with the throttle pedal.

Total width across the separate front seats, including the central noman's-land, is 40 ins., compared with 39 ins. between wheel arches at the rear, widening to 50 ins. at foot level. Seat-to-roof measurements, front and back respectiyely, are 38 and 34 ins.

The spring-spoke steering wheel is dished, there is ample fore-and-aft adjustment for the front seats, and two glove lockers and twin sun visors are provided.

The 1500's modest weight-well under 19 cwt., dry-is reflected in liveliness as well as fuel economy, witness its acceleration from zero to 60 m.p.h. in just over 24 seconds.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 36.6 m.p.g. Top Speed: 79.2 m.p.h.

gine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 73.025 mm.
Stroke: 88.9 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,489.
Brake horse-power: 50
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 7.2



TECHNICAL DATA

Engine:
No. of Cylinders: 4.
Bore: 73.025 mm.
Stroke: 89 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 1,489.
Brake horse-power: 55.
Valves: O/h.
Compression ratio: 8.3
Track:
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Carburettor: S.U.
Ignition: Coil and Battery (12 Volt.).
Dry Weight: 22 cwt.
(approx.).

Gear Box: Synchro.
Overall ratios: 4.875, 6.698, 10.793, 17.745.
Lever Position: Central.

Rear: Semi-ellipia. Shock Absorbers: Hudraulic Telescopic

Height: 5 ft. Ground Clearance: 71 in.

Average Fuel Consumption: 28 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 81 m.p.h.

WOLSELEY 15/50

£991.7.0 (incl. £331.7.0 PT).

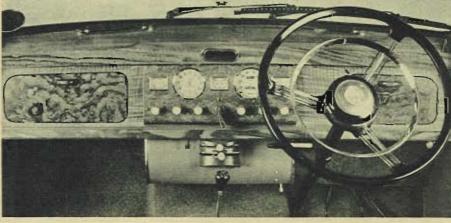
TF the Joneses buy a Wolseley 1500, I one way to stay a jump ahead of them is to invest in a 15/50 of the same make. The two cars share the same basic engine-the latter's, albeit, at a slightly higher pitch of tune-but apart from that the similarity is slight. In the 11-litre class, the 15/50 is decidedly a kudos car, with its leather upholstery, fine wood interior trim, first-quality carpets to both floors and general air of breeding.

A heater is included in the first cost and foolproof Manumatic transmission is among the optional extras available. The car's extra weight-about 31 cwt., compared with the 1500-is almost offset in terms of performance by the 5 bonus horsepower that the engine develops. Sample acceleration data: - Standing quarter-mile in 231 seconds; o to 50 m.p.h., 161 secs., o to 60 m.p.h., 241 secs.

Again making a comparison with the sprightly 1500, the more expensive 15/50 has an almost 'vintage' feel to its suspension and steering, the former being firm by current family-car standards and the latter calling for perceptible but not irksome effort at low to medium speeds.

Although the body has four doors, the front seats are designed to tip to facilitate the stowage of parcels under their tubular frames.

The instrument panel of the 15/50 showing the safety-type steering wheel with modified column, Courtesy light switches are incorporated in both front doors.





WOLSELEY 6/90 SERIES III

£1,276.7.0 (incl. £426.7.0 PT).

LTHOUGH not the most expensive A of the B.M.C. saloons using the 2.6-litre C-Series engine, this Wolseley has none of the cost-conscious character generally associated with large-scale production. Construction is solid and the equipment liberal-it includes a polished wood facia and other trim components, leather upholstery, a telescopic steering column, an interior heater, courtesy lights operated by the rear doors, dual fog lamps and a

Tipping the scale at about a ton and a half dry, it is not light in relation to its 101 b.h.p.; but this is a factor that cuts two ways, for the slight resulting penalty in petrol consumption and acceleration is, for many drivers, offset by the feeling of downto - earth solidity that substantial weight gives.

The large and nook-free luggage boot has a flat floor and the spare wheel doesn't intrude into it; the lid is counterbalanced by torsion bars.

In standard form, with synchromesh gearbox, the 6/90, like the corresponding Riley, has a right-hand gear-change. Borg Warner automatic transmission is an optional extra.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance:
Average Fuel Consumption: 23 m.p.g.
Top Speed: 96 m.p.h.
Rear: Semi-elliptic

Engine: Hydraulic Teles
No. of Cylinders: 6.
Bore: 79.375 mm.
Stroke: 88.9 mm.
Cubic Capacity: 2,639.4.
Width: 5 ft. 7 in.
Part of the control of the contro Brake horse-power: 101.

Valves: O/h.

Compression ratio: 8.3

to 1.

Carburettor: Twin S.U.

Ignition: Coil and Battery (12 Volt).

Wheelbase: 9 ft. 5‡ in.

Turning Circle: 40 ft. 3 in.

Fuel Capacity: 12 galls.

Prof. 4 ft. 6‡ in.

Turning Circle: 40 ft. 3 in.

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The 'S' series Bentley drop-head coupé with coachwork by H. J. Mulliner and Co., Ltd.

BRITISH coachbuilders have for cen-turies enjoyed a reputation for firstclass craftsmanship and for a very high standard of finish.

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In the coachwork section at Earl's Court there are many fine cars capable of such a speed, but this performance has not involved any sacrifice of comfort. Cases in point are the "Flying Spur" Continental Bentley four-door saloon and the two-door Bentley Continental saloon, both shown by H. J. Mulliner and Co. Ltd., of Chiswick.

Weight kept down

The "Flying Spur" was introduced a year ago and attracted attention not only for its sleek, graceful lines but because the coachbuilders had achieved the near-impossible by keeping its weight down to within a few pounds of that of the two-door body.

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Every Luxury

The same is true of the two-door model. Both have interiors complete with every luxury, comfortable seating which is soft but which gives adequate support to locate the occupants firmly.

On the same stand are a drop-head

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The luxurious interior of the 'Princess' L.W.B. Limousine, Coachwork by Vanden Plas.

Bentley coupé, and a Rolls-Royce "Silver Wraith" seven-passenger enclosed limousine, the latter designed especially for the American market but just as suitable for Park Lane as for Fifth Avenue.

Other examples of performance allied with luxury are exhibited by James Young Ltd., of Bromley, Kent. Finished in an attractive and serviceable colour known as honey beige, with golden beige leather upholstery, is a four-door sports saloon on a Bentley Continental chassis. In this, too, weight has been minimised by the use of light alloy and steel for the framework supporting aluminium panelling. Distinctly British in character is the exquisite cabinet work of selected figured walnut.

Wide Field of Vision

The same light alloy and steel system of construction is used for the dark green touring limousine Rolls-Royce

"Silver Wraith". Curved screen and rear window give a wide field of vision. The division window is electrically con-

Sliding Shutters

Designed to give maximum comfort, whether the owner or his chauffeur be driving, is the long-wheelbase touring limousine Rolls-Royce "Silver Cloud". This is handsomely finished in royal blue with fine gold lines on the waist moulding and wheel discs. Both front and rear seats have folding centre armrests. Compartments with sliding shutters are built into the front doors and concealed lockers in the rear doors.

Vanden Plas (England) 1923 Ltd. show the Princess long-wheelbase limousine. Even the rear seats of this are adjustable fore and aft for greater comfort. Controls for the radio are fitted in the rear seat armrests. Occasional seats are hidden away in the floor when not in

Countryman Styles

Countryman adaptations for the Rolls-Royce "Silver Cloud" and Bentley S saloon are the speciality of Harold Radford (Coachbuilders) Ltd. The Bentley has a continental sunshine roof and the Rolls-Royce a removable division.

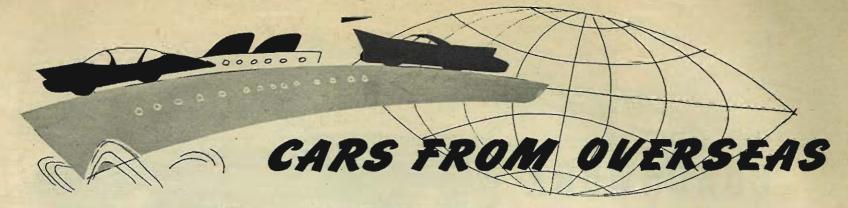
Three new features are a container beneath the car for fishing rods, a locker under the dashboard for a despatch case, and a litter bin under the dashboard. Special front seats, folding rear seats, picnic table and Espresso coffee percolator with butane gas heater are other fittings applied to the Jaguar Mk. VIII saloon and the new Humber Super Snipe



A fine example of James Young craftsmanship. The Rolls-Royce Silver Cloud L.W.B. Touring Limousine.



Martin Walter Ltd. are showing this 4-berth version of the popular Bedford Dormobile Caravan.



Gordon Wilkins discusses the cars from overseas to be seen at Earls Court

HIS year's Motor Show brings together the latest cars from Canada and the U.S.A., Sweden and Italy, France, Germany, Holland and Czechoslovakia, to make this a truly international exhibition. There is enough variety in style and size, performance and mechanical design, to suit everyone's requirements.

America and Canada, have sent the biggest and most powerful cars in the world, while European factories are showing economy miniatures like the Goggomobil, Fiat 500 and NSU Prince and Holland enters the market with the sensational DAF, smallest car in the world with fully automatic transmission. Germany has three different systems of fuel injection to replace carburettors on the Mercedes petrol cars and there is the fastest diesel car now in regular production. France shows us the simplest family car now made, the 2 CV Citroen, and one of the most complicated, the DS 19 Citroen. There are the world's two fastest-selling small cars, the Volkswagen and the Renault Dauphine, and some of the fastest-moving sports models like the Ferrari Gran Turismo and the Facel Vega.

After a difficult year in which some factories have been producing at 30 per cent of capacity and about 17 per cent of Detroit's automobile workers have been unemployed, American manufacturers are trying to boost sales with one of the biggest new model programmes on record for 1959. The leading companies were already changing their body styles every two years and carrying out extensive face-lifts in the intervening years to tempt the buyers but it now appears that

General Motors are now going to make one basic body shell suit a whole range of models from the cheapest to the dearest, so as to write off tooling costs quickly and permit complete style changes every year. Ford and Chrysler are also planning big changes for 1959 and some of the new models are being rushed over for the London show. The new "small" American cars now being developed in reply to the challenge of the European imports cannot appear before 1960 but the Rambler American offers a pointer to the size of car which may emerge. In reality a dustedoff 1956 model with an old-fashioned side-valve engine of 3.2 litres, it has scored the success of the 1958 season, out-selling some of the gaudiest modern creations, with big tail fins, powerful overhead valve V8 engines and automatic transmissions. Studebaker, too, have been helped in their fight for survival by a cheap model aptly named the Scotsman, an austerity version of the Champion, with no gadgets and practically no exterior chromium.

De luxe sell better

But this does not prove that the majority of Americans are looking for smaller or cheaper cars. De luxe models have sometimes been selling faster than the regular lines. The Ford Thunderbird, having grown from a two-seater sports coupe into a four-seater sports saloon has been selling better than the longestablished Lincoln or the flashy new Edsel and it has an even bigger engine of 5.8 litres for 1959. Even the ordinary Ford V8 now has an engine of 5.4 litres giving 265 horsepower. Chevrolet now restored to its position as the world's most popular car after fighting off a challenge from Ford has a sports saloon



Rear view of the 1959 Series Sixty-Two Cadillac Coupé, A "jewelled" rear grille and the gleaming bumper highlight the rear design.

model, the Impala, which can be supplied with various V8 engines up to a 5.7 litre fuel injection unit giving 280 horsepower. At the other end of the General Motors range, Cadillac, with their sharpfinned luxury models have also increased their share of the market. Pontiac, Buick, and Oldsmobile are all plugging the theme of dream-cars-here-to-day with still lower lines, sharper fins, slim canopy roofs and glass all round. Among the new American gadgets is a Cruise Control. Just select your cruising speed on a dial and the mechanical mind keeps the car rolling at steady speed up hill and down without help from the accelerator. Just the thing for motorways, but not for London's traffic jams.

Chrysler retain their individuality of style, the product of collaboration between American and Italian specialists, on a whole range of cars from the Plymouth, through De Soto, Dodge and Chrysler to the lordly Imperial. The Chrysler 300 D with 6.4 litre engine delivering 380 h.p. is probably America's fastest production saloon.

The critical times through which the American industry has recently passed account for the absence of several famous names. Nash, Hudson and Packard are not at the London show because they are no longer made, and Ford are not sending over their Mercury models this year.

New from France

Most of the French cars are familiar models with detail improvements for 1959 (higher compression engines for Renault 750 and Dauphine, a new grille and luxurious interior for the Fregate, smaller wheels and bigger brakes for Panhard), but Simca have a completely new body for the Aronde, with sleeker lines, lots more glass, and slimmer pillars. The Simca Vedette, still the only V8 in large-scale production in Europe, has adopted the Laycock de Normanville overdrive with a push-button control called the Rushmatic, giving automatic or semi-automatic engagement.

Citroen, being already years ahead of the competition with its self-levelling

Left: This picture gives some idea of the luggage capacity of the N.S.U. Prince, a newcomer to London this year.

Below: Another new small family car is the little Dutch D.A.F. It features a fully automatic transmission system.





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The Volvo Amazon from Sweden, This car is capable of 90 m.p.h., and average fuel consumption is in the region of 33 m.p.g.



The striking Facel Vega, France's only high-powered luxury car, will have a Chrysler-built V8 engine for 1959.

pneumatic suspension, automatic clutch, servo steering and servo gear change, has no need to change the DS 19, but the Facel Vega, sole survivor of France's high-powered luxury cars, has a Chrysler-built V8 engine of 380 hp for next season and British-made disc brakes are optional. The durable Peugeots are unchanged but the 403 is still fashionable, for it was styled by Pinin Farina.

New Italian models

On view in London for the first time is the Ferrari 250 G.T., the 12-cylinder 3-litre model with the 150 mph maximum which has a brilliant competition record, but is a docile and flexible road car for fast touring when equipped with Farina's crisply-contoured coupé body. Another high-performance Latin arrival is the five-speed two-litre Alfa Romeo 2000 with convertible coachwork by Carrozzeria Touring and the popular Alfa Giulietta is on view with its new grille treatment and more powerful engine.

Fun on a small budget is offered by Fiat with a new sports version of their 500. Fixed head body and modified engine convert it into a miniature sports saloon. Another Fiat of special interest is the 1200 saloon, a fast little family car with elegant lines. Mark well the shape of the Lancia Flaminia, too. It is based on designs by Pinin Farina and foretells the form of some British cars to come in the not too distant future. For the sportsman the Lancia Aurelia remains high on the list of desirable properties and the little V4 Appia has taken on a new lease of life with a series of pretty coupé and convertible bodies by leading Italian stylists.

Improved Mercedes

The Mercedes story is largely one of engine developments this year. The 220S can now be had with intermittent fuel injection into the manifolds, when it becomes the 220 SE. It is a simpler system than the manifold injection on the big 300 (now offered with refrigeration and power-assisted steering) or the direct injection into the combustion chambers featured on the sports 300 SL (now available with detachable hard top). There's also the new 75 mph 190 diesel, with overhead camshaft engine.

Now allied with Mercedes are Auto Union who build DKW cars with threecylinder two-stroke engines and front wheel drive.

Porsche has recruited a new coach-

builder, Drauz, to build the Convertible D, successor to the Speedster, with winding windows, improved seats, bigger screen and more head room.

The new Goggomobil 700 will be seen for the first time in London. This differs completely from the design of the existing models which have 2-cylinder 2stroke engines at the rear. The new model has a flat twin o.h.v. air-cooled engine of 700 c.c. at the front, driving the rear wheels through a four-speed gearbox. Unlike existing Goggomobils it is a full four-seater. The Borgwards are here too, with all-independent suspension for comfort and the TI engine for high performance.

BMW has something for everyone, from the splendid 507 V8 sports car through V8 and six-cylinder saloons to the little rear-engined BMW 600 fourseater (now available with automatic clutch) and the miniature BMW Isetta, now made under licence in England.

A newcomer to London is the NSU Prince, new small car made by a famous motor cycle factory. Twin-cylinder overhead camshaft air-cooled engine at the rear, four-speed gearbox and all-independent suspension by coil springs are the technical features. An exciting addition is an 85 mph sports coupé with body by Bertone.

From Holland

Holland boldly enters the international small car market with the little DAF, produced by a well-known commercial vehicle company. Its unique feature is the belt drive by pulleys with movable flanges which vary the drive ratio and give fully automatic transmission, but body lines and interior space also stamp it as an exceptional small car.

Sweden's durable family saloon, the Volvo PV 444, is transformed into the 544 for next year by numerous improvements, among them larger rear windows, safety-padded instrument panel with strip-type speedometer and safety belt fittings for all occupants. Its companion is the Amazon S, four-door four-speed saloon which achieves such an astonishing performance from a 1600 cc engine that other manufacturers are still trying to puzzle out how they do it.

And once again Skoda brings us the 1100, sole exhibit from the Communist

> A detachable hard-top is now fitted to the Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Roadster (right).



The Porsche Convertible from Germany.





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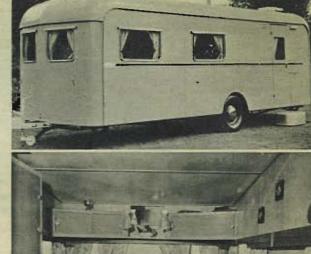


(Right) PILOT PANTHER Mk. X. This 4-berth caravan has increased height, giving 7 ft. headroom throughout. It has grey Hornitex on the walls and ceiling of the kitchen, and bird's-eye maple Hornitex on the ceiling of the lounge. There is a built-in television, a refrigerator, and a 5 ft. bath in the bathroom. The caravan is 22 ft. long. Price £1,245.

(Left) ECCLES 'NYMPHETTE'. 10 ft. 6in. long, this is a 4-berth caravan with double bed dinette across the rear end, with folding single leg table. To the front a single bed with hinged bunk backrest makes the fourth bed, Centre kitchen. Price £265.



FAIRVIEW FAIRY. This is a completely new model, which is available as a 3- or 4-berth caravan. It is 11 ft. 8 in. long. An exterior view is shown left, and on the right is an interior shot. Price £285.



BEVERLEY 'MARATHON 59'. This is 22 ft. long and 7 ft. 6 in. wide, with maximum headroom 7 ft. 74 in. It has 4 berths, and contains 3 rooms and dressing-room/toilet.

Price £845.



(Left) JUBILEE 'MAY-FLY'. 22 ft. long and 7 ft. 6 in. wide, this caravan weighs 35 cwt. It is fitted with 2 single beds and a double bed, a separate end kitchen and toilet compartment. All furniture is oak finished and hand-polished. The outside is panelled in aluminium, and the inside in plywood, with fibreglass insulation. Price £675.



(Above and right) SPRITE ARIEL. The pictures show interior and exterior views of the caravan, which is a 9½ ft., 4-berth touring and holiday vehicle.



(Below) CAR CRUISER CLUBMAN '300'. This 4-berth touring model has an entirely new layout including 2 entrance doors, 2 single beds, a double bed and end kitchen. Body length is 15 ft. 6 in., and width is 6 ft. 4 in.



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(Above) CHELTENHAM 'SABLE'. This model has newstyle furniture and ceiling panelling, with fixed panel windows moulded in rubber surround. The new model on show at Earls Court has a deeper ward-robe and a larger toilet. The 'Sable' is fitted with a Junior Star Cooker, and the beds are provided with latex mattresses.

(Above and Right) WILLERBY 'FUL-MAR'. This entirely new caravan is available in two layouts. The holiday version has a pull-out bed-settee and two loose beds (convertible into one double bed), centre kitchen and toilet compart-ment. Heating is by means of a Tor Gem solid fuel stove, and hot water is piped direct to the sink. Price (Standard) £495. (Holiday) £480.





MARSTON-ETTE 6/22. This is a new 6-berth version of the Marstonette, with double bunk end bedroom, and is available at £555 ex-works with stove and tank, or at £540 ex - works without stove and tank.



BERKELEY 'CAVALIER'. This sixteen-foot model is fitted with a forward dinette seating 2 or 4 people, which converts to 2 single beds or 1 double bed. The centre settee converts to 1 single bed or 1 double bed. Screened doors partition off the bedrooms; the furniture is in polished oak, and the sink unit and sideboard are covered in heat-resisting plastic.



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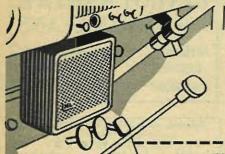
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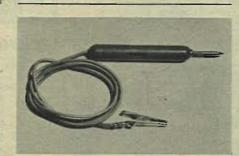


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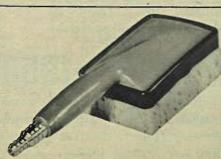
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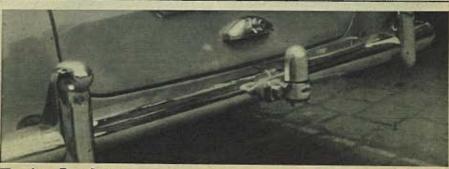
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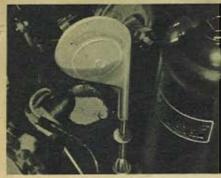
oil and grease and can be boiled clean

after use. The sponge is a convenient size

for holding in the hand and costs 2s. 6d.

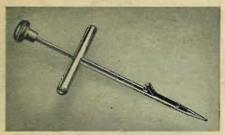
Declon Sponges Ltd., 1(b), Dyne Road,

ACCESSORIES FOR THE MOTORIST (continued)



Oil-check

Tudor's latest innovation is an oil-check designed to replace the normal dipstick. You just squeeze the bulb and you can see at a glance whether or not the sump needs oil. The accompanying illustration shows the 'Oil-check' in use and it can be appreciated that it is not necessary to soil your hands by groping around a dirty engine. Price is 12s. 6d. Tudor Accessories Ltd., Beaconsfield Road, Hayes, Middle-



Tubeless Repair

Here is a useful 'do-it-yourself' repair kit for tubeless tyres. The Blundell patent tubular plugger does the repair quickly and with the minimum of trouble. Kit complete costs 21s., plus 6d. postage, from C Blundell, 472, Alcester Road South, Birmingham 14.

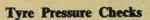
Thermometer

A thermometer which gives the day temperature and the temperature inside the car costs 4s. 6d. The plastic mount has a self-adhesive back and measures 41 in. by 1 in wide. James Neale & Son, Ltd., Graham Street, Birmingham.



Car Radio

The new Ekco CR901 Car Radio employs two transistors, a diode and four valves, and consumes only a little over one amp. It operates directly from the 12-volt battery and requires no power unit. Both manual and push-button station selection is provided. The complete receiver, including installation kit for the most popular, cars, costs 31 gns. (tax paid). E. K. Cole Ltd., Southend-on-Sea.



By fixing miniature pressure gauges in place of the ordinary valve dust caps, tyre pressures can be checked at a glance. These gauges are called 'Indi-caps', and with correct pressure the red plunger at the top is visible. If the pressure falls by 3 lbs. or more, the plunger sinks into the body of the 'Indi-

cap'. A set of four costs 21s. John Somers Ltd., 142-8, Edgware Road, London, W.2.

Glass Fibre Wing Aerial

Non - retractable. The Smiths Radiomobile glass fibre aerial is fully flexible and will not be damaged by contact with overhead obstructions. Overall height is 42 inches. The base (illustrated) is completely weathersealed. Price: 38s. 6d. Smiths Radiomobile, Works, Goodwood



North Circular Road, London, N.W.2.



nium and has a folding handle. The kettle can be plugged into a car battery but is suitable only for cars with 12-volt circuits. It will boil 2 pints of water in about 35 minutes and costs 39s. 9d. Metway Electrical Industries Ltd., Metway Works, Kemp Town, Brighton.



Electric Kettle The 'Nestaway' kettle is made of alumi-

A hand operated 'Minigun', of die-cast construction, is for use with heavy oil or soft grease. The gun has a capacity of 1 oz.

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and weighs 7½ ozs. and is available with a 'Tecazerk' nozzle, price 8s. Tecalemit Ltd., Plymouth, Devon.

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JEAN STREET looks around the Show and sees many examples of the way British manufacturers are catering for feminine tastes and needs.

APPY FAMILIES is the game the car firms are playing at this year's Motor Show. But this is a game in deadly earnest and the stakes are high: the comfort and safety of the family who buys a car.

With each year, more and more women are seen in the dealers' showrooms -helping to choose the family motor or buying one for themselves. Thus, the feminine viewpoint has become an increasingly important factor in car design.

Just what are the results of this feminine influence? Look around the Show and you will see them on all sides.

Note, for instance, the gay colour schemes (there is even one model in the same olive shade of green that Paris has tipped as this autumn's top fashion colour).

See, too, how many more firms have put 'child-proof' locks on rear doors to foil inquisitive fingers. Look how the physical effort has been taken out of driving by means of power-assisted steering and pedal-pushing.



For the woman driver: a two-tone shoe designed with the help of Stirling Moss. Made by Norvic.

It is a fact that women are inclined to choose a car first and foremost on its looks. That is why colours both outside and inside are more appealing than ever. A delicate green can be teamed with the palest of pinks. Red goes with dazzling white. And the names of the scores of colours in the latest ranges (there are 25 in one range alone!) are as romantic as any you'll find in the fashion magazines: Florentine Blue. Chartreuse Yellow, Damask Red and Laurel Green. Even brown and grey have become 'Heather Brown' and 'Yukon Grey'.

Perhaps the biggest advance where the woman driver is concerned is twopedal control. "It cuts driving manipun by 70 per cent." a Ford official estimated. While some men may scorn only two pedals, relatively few women

Another move to take the fatigue out of driving is the way that power is used to help operate the clutch, brakes and steering. Only the lightest pressure from you is needed.

Easy Access

Comfort is another big point that women look for. It starts, in fact, even as you step into the car; doors open really wide to allow access with ease (and with dignity in today's short skirts). Springing is constantly being improved. So is ventilation. (Did you know, by the way, that it is far more difficult to cool the interior of a car than it is to keep it warm? Yes, even in our English climate.)

Arm-rests on some cars, such as the Rover, are adjustable for perfect comfort. And surely it is the ultimate in pampering when the radio aerial on the Mark 8 Jaguar can be raised or lowered simply by gripping a small handle inside the car.

Parcel Space

A feminine grouse which you will find the car firms have taken to heart recently is the problem of parcel space. There is much more of it now. The Morris Cowley boasts lidded glove boxes on BOTH sides of the dashboard. There is a handy extra shelf below the dash on many models, while some have recessed the shelf below the back window to stop parcels falling forward.

And what of safety? For the driver, it includes 'dished' steering wheels to lessen the risk of the column causing bad injuries if there should be an accident. Some cars, like the Wolseley, have padding along the top of the dashboard. The bigger Fords have eliminated the risk of broken finger nails by even be adjusted to suit your height. Slipper-shaped accelerators rest the feet - especially if you're driving in high heels.

Visibility

Wrap-round windows give better visibility, and they are deep enough for the shortest woman driver to be able to see clearly and without strain. From the Vauxhall driving seat you can see the rear wings quite easily.

No difficulty in even the smallest woman having perfect visibility when she drives. Here the Vauxhall shows just how easy it is — even the rear wings can be seen with no

trouble at all.



doing away with starter knobs and using a double turn of the ignition key instead to start the car.

Handles are placed in positions where clothing won't get caught in them, and there are no rough edges on seats or floors to snag precious hosiery or catch high heels.

Steering wheels are thinner and easier to grip. The one on the Daimler can

Anti-glare driving mirrors and nonglare instrument panel lighting prevent eye-dazzle at night-time.

Punctures Without Tears

As for getting caught with a puncture when male help isn't around-you're either quite unworried because the tyres are tubeless and will stay inflated, or you can do an easy wheel-change because the jack fits into the side of the car (no scrambling about underneath) and the spare wheel itself is in an easy-to-get-at place in the boot.

Footnote

There are many motoring accessories made today especially for women. Racing driver Stirling Moss helped to design some ultra-light shoes with very sensitive soles and rounded heels enabling the foot to pivot easily from one pedal to another. You can buy them in colours to match your car!

You will find so much of interest at the 1959 Motor Show. And do note the deference with which the salesmen treat you, a mere woman. They know from experience how important is YOUR voice in the world of family motoring.



doors: dished steering wheel; two-tone seating .. this is comfort, safety and colour as offered by the Riley One-Point-Five.



The Thornycroft 28 ft. 6 ins. "Danielle" class glass fibre cabin cruiser is powered by a Thornycroft 30 b.h.p. diesel engine giving a speed of 9½ m.p.h. A boat of similar design, but with twin petrol engines each of 20 h.p., and an alternative accommodation arrangement, can be seen at the Motor Show.



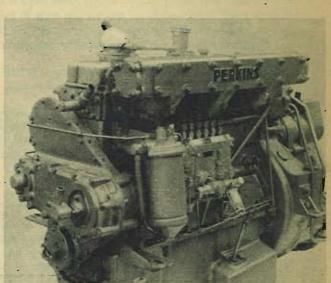
Whispering Power: A typical outboard runabout craft powered with an Evinrude 35 h.p. outboard motor. The engine, a product of University Marine, is one of the items displayed on the manufacturers' stand at Earls Court.



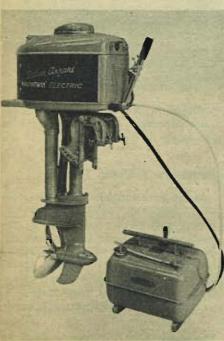
Powered by the largest British air-cooled diesel in Britain, this tug is operated by British Waterways in the Regent Canal Docks. The 96 b.h.p. Petter propulsion unit gives an average speed of 9 knots and a static pull of 26 cwt.

THE "OTTER" **AMPHIBIOUS GARAVAN**

This craft contains two single berths (6 ft. by 2 ft.) in the forward cabin, and is fitted with cutaway stern entrance, with steps for land use, and motor board for engine attachment. The "Otter" can be propelled by a 2-h.p. motor which gives a cruising speed of 5 knots, and a top speed of 7-8 knots. The craft is very manœuvrable and stable on the water. When used as a caravan on land, it can be towed by a 1,000 c.c. car, and the overall weight is 12½ cwt. Its height on land is 8 ft. In the water, the height above water-line is 6 ft. 3 ins.



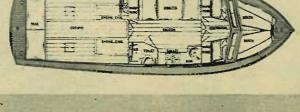
The Perkins P6(M) type diesel engine is rated at 51/65 b.h.p. at 1,500-2,000 r.p.m. It is fitted with an oil-operated reverse gear and 2:1 reduction. The engine has 24-volt electric starting equipment, single lever control for combined operation of engine and reverse gear, and is arranged for fresh water cooling through the heat exchanger.

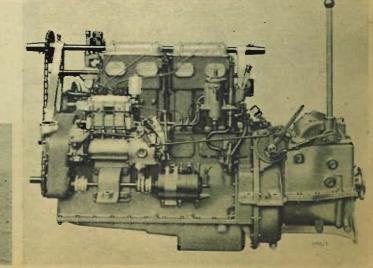


The 18 h.p. British Anzani Magnatwin is a two-The engine is shown above, and below, the picture shows the engine pushing a 14-foot fast runabout across the Channel,



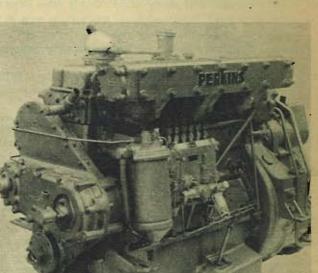






(Above): An Irish pilot vessel powered by Gardner 4LW engine developing 56 b.h.p. at 1,300 r.p.m. The Gardner 4LW marine propulsion diesel engine is shown below. It has direct driver reverse gear developing 56 b.h.p. at 1,300 r.p.m. for continuous heavy duty; 62 b.h.p. at 1,500 r.p.m. for yachts, cruisers, etc.; 71 b.h.p. at 1,700 r.p.m. for high speed craft.

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