78 CHEVY VALS

SPORTVANS-CARAVANS-NOMADS



1978 CHEVY VAN ADDS UP TO A GREAT VALUE. BIG PAYLOAD **CAPACITY. LONG LOAD LENGTH. DOORS THAT OPEN HIGH** AND WIDE. EASY MANEUVERABILITY. SMOOTH, QUIET RIDE. WIDE RANGE OF MODELS. PLUS A WHOLE LOT THAT'S NEW.



New front end styling for '78.

This year's Chevy Van sports a new grille similar to the rest of the Chevy family of trucks. Additionally, rectangular headlamps are now available as part of the chromed grille option.

Comfortable working environment.

Low-back front driver bucket seat with embossed all-vinyl upholstery is standard. Passenger seat is available. High-back front bucket seats in all-vinyl trim are also available. Bucket seats are full foam cushioned and generously wide for lateral support. Accelerator pedal is set well away from the engine housing for easy accessibility, and passenger foot room is plentiful.

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Available Beauville custom vinyl and custom cloth seat trim and door panels are new for 1978.

Long inside for good load capacity.

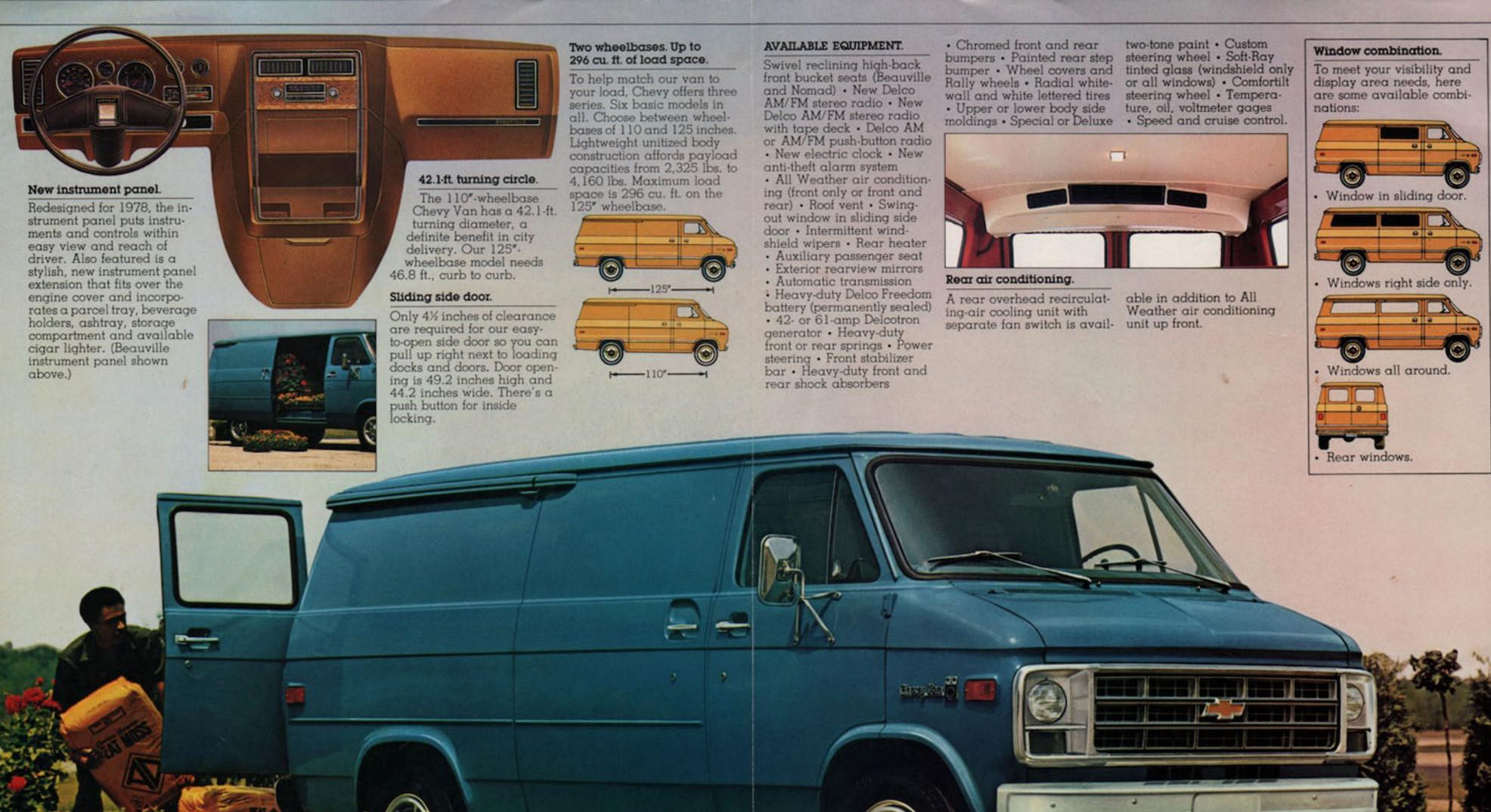
You get nearly 12 feet of clear load space between the rear doors and the back of the engine on a 125"-wheelbase Chevy Van. Maximum load length is nearly 14 feet. Yet overall length is only 202½". An insulated engine housing cover, plus a neoprene housing-to-floor seal, helps block out engine sound and heat.

Rear doors open high and wide.

They can be swung all the way open so you can back right up against loading docks. Door opening measures over 4 feet high and 4½ feet wide for easy loading.



Many vehicles in this catalog are shown with available factory-installed options, dealer accessories and specialized equipment from various independent suppliers.



SPORTVAN. FIRST-CLASS TRAVEL FOR UP TO 12.

Chevy Sportvans come in a broad range of sizes, styles and capacities. One to fit practically every family and business application. Choose 110"- or 125"-wheelbase models with GVW ratings up to 6,600 lbs., plus a 125"-wheelbase model rated to 8,150 lbs. GVW. Seating available for up to 12 people depending on available equipment selected. What's more, you can tailor your Sportvan to your in-dividual wants by selecting from a long list of available options including AM/FM stereo radio with tape deck, cruise control, All Weather air conditioning and Comfortilt steering wheel. (See options, page 4.)





Luxurious Becuville interior.

High-back reclining swivel front bucket seats with your choice of woven cloth or all-vinyl upholstery are available in the Beauville Sportvan.
Full-length color-keyed carpeting is included with this available



Quick-release seats.

Sportvan converts from people- to cargo-carrying in minutes. Both standard and available bench seats are



secured to the floor by cam-type front latches and hooked rear retainers that fit onto anchor pins. When the latches are released, as

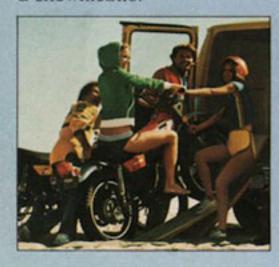






NOMAD. 5-PASSENGER COMFORT. SPACIOUS CARGO AREA IN REAR.

A luxurious Beauville interior affords five-passenger comfort in this modified Series 20 125"-wheelbase van. High-back bucket seats up front, removable benchtype seat behind. Cut-pile carpeting in the seating area, simulated woodtone accents on the instrument panel. Swing-out windows in the sliding side door and opposite panel. And all kinds of room in the back for hauling things like motorcycles, bicycles or a snowmobile.



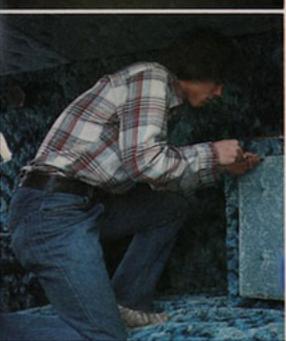


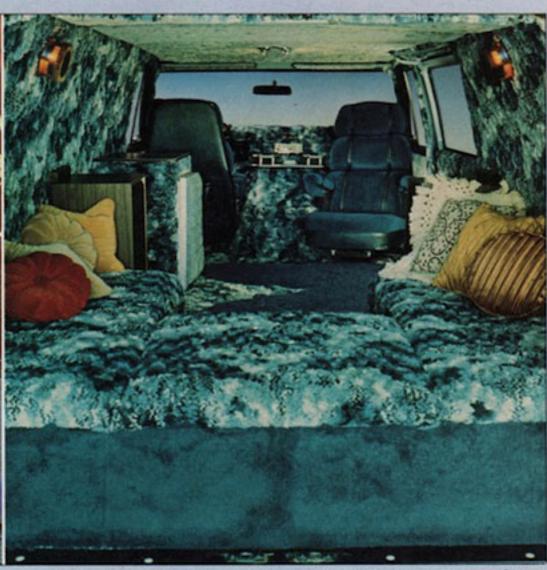
Comfort plus. Beauville luxury up front. Spacious cargo room in back. Fully reclining, high-back swivel bucket seats are an available option.



CARAVAN. READY FOR WHATEVER YOU WANT TO MAKE IT.



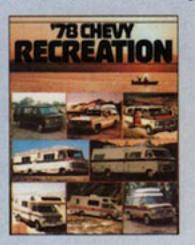




Caravan interior moves you to express yourself. It's partially finished so you can adapt it to your own personal taste. Special equipment was installed on this van by the owner.

Caravan encourages customizing. Standard features include reclining swivel bucket seats and a partially finished interior that makes an ideal under-surface for custom work. Roof, rear compartment doors and sidewalls are plywoodpaneled and insulated. The entire floor is covered with a heavy, insulated black rubber mat. Some available options include a 14" square translucent roof vent and a Delco stereo radio. (See options, page 4.)

For more Chevy recreational information, see this catalog.





HERE'S WHAT GOES INTO A TOUGH CHEVY VAN.

Body strength where it's needed.

Dimensions

A WHEELBASE

B OVERALL LENGTH

C OVERALL WIDTH

D BACK OF SEAT TO REAR DOORS AT BELT

MAXIMUM CARGO LENGTH AT FLOOR

MAXIMUM INSIDE WIDTH AT FLOOR

MAXIMUM INSIDE WIDTH AT BELT

MAXIMUM INSIDE HEIGHT

M REAR DOOR OPENING WIDTH

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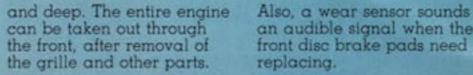
BACK OF SEAT TO REAR DOORS AT FLOOR

BACK OF ENGINE HOUSING TO REAR DOORS AT FLOOR

Chevy Van's floor panels are welded to heavy-gage steel side rails, cross sills and outriggers. Main underbody components are also heavy-gage steel, while components such as door step panels, front rocker panels and wheelhousings are made of galvanized steel. Sealers provide tight, long-lasting joints and onepiece outer panels minimize exterior joints where rust might collect.

Extended hood makes possible 27 easy service checks.

In all, 27 separate items can be checked quickly, simply by raising the hood. Oil check and fill, battery, radiator, water pump and major engine components are readily accessible. The hood opening, itself, is wide



Computer-matched brake systems.

G10/G20

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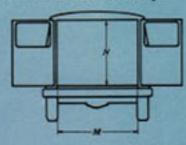
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Front disc brakes and finned drum rear brakes are computer-matched to the GVWR of the truck you order. Lining areas, size and capacity of power assists, wheel cylinder size—all are preselected at the factory.



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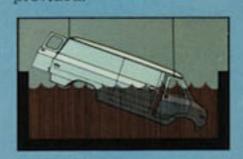
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an audible signal when the front disc brake pads need replacing.

Protected steering linkage.

Boot seals on the outer ends of steering linkage tie rod help fend off road grit. Grease fittings are also provided.



Electrocoating rocess helps protect gainst corrosion.

very Chevy Van body is noroughly cleaned in a 7-tage zinc-phosphate wash, nen submerged in a primer aint emulsion which is lectrically charged to draw rimer into seams and enosed areas. Sealers in critical joints and underbody protective coating in various areas also help to fight corrosion.

Aluminum-coated muffler

Mufflers and tail pipes are aluminum coated. Exhaust system mountings adjust to heat expansion in the pipes.

Wide front and rear tread.

Tread dimensions of approximately 68%" (front) and 67"

help smooth the ride.

weight increases.

Leaf-type rear springs.

Empty or loaded, Chevy Van

delivers a smooth, balanced

ride with two-stage rear leaf

springs that stiffen as load

(rear), depending on model, help provide a stable load platform.

Concealed side steps.

Protected from rain, slush and dirt by the front doors and the sliding side door, they feature slip-resistant strips for a good foothold.

Engine Specifications

DISPLACEMENT (CU. IN.)

BORE & STROKE (IN.)

COMPRESSION RATIO

Three high torque V-8s. All V-8 engines feature High

engine sources and

availability.

A word about engines.

The Chevrolet Trucks in this

catalog are equipped with

GM-built engines produced

by various divisions. Please

refer to the engine chart

included in this catalog or

available from your dealer

for complete details about

Energy Ignition, short-stroke valve-in-head design and downdraft carburetor. 305-2. Available on Series 10 vans (except 125"-wheelbase G10 Sportvans and in California), the 305-2 barrel case with 2-bolt bearing caps. 350-4. It's available on all vans and is the required V-8 for the 125"wheelbase RV Cutaway Van. all 146"-wheelbase

ENGINES WITH LIGHT-DUTY EMISSIONS 6000-LB, GVW AND BELOW) EXCEPT CALIF.

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Hi-Cube and Cutaway Vans. It is also the required V-8 for vans sold in California. The 350-4 barrel comes with a cast iron cylinder case and forged steel connecting rods. 400-4. The 400-4 barrel V-8 is available on Series 20-30 vans. Comes with nodular iron crankshaft and 4-barrel downdraft carburetor.

Two dependable Sixes.

The 250 Six is standard for all Series 10 vans and on Series 20 and 30 Chevy Vans sold in California. The 292 Six is standard on all other Series 20 and 30 Chevy Vans and Sportvans (except in California). Both engines feature High Energy Ignition system, seven main bearings, cast iron cylinder head with induction hardened exhaust valve seats, and timing tabs with electronic timing sensor provisions.

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All Chevrolet light-duty gasoline engines may be converted to use LP gas when permissible under State and Federal laws.

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features a cast iron cylinder Massive Girder Beam front suspension. A rigid steel beam is the major component. Attached at each end of this girder beam are two contoured steel control arms. Each pair flexes freely up and down, allowing the front wheels to take on bumps and ruts independently to

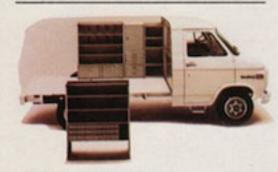
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CHEVY VANS FOR SPECIAL

EQUIPMENT PACKAGES AVAILABLE ON SPECIAL ORDER.



General service.

Typical factory-installed package includes: bin with open back, utility cabinet with shelves and dividers, bin with shelf, adjustable shelf unit, drawer units, utility cabinet and security screen.



Electric and gas appliance service.

Package includes: stool, bins with open back, workbench, 9-drawer unit, adjustable shelf rack, cabinet with adjustable shelf, medium drawer units, bins with door and shelf, catalog file, welded shelf rack and security screen.



Plumbing, heating, air conditioning service.

This includes: catalog file, utility cabinets with shelves and dividers, utility cabinet with shelves and drawers, welded shelf unit bin with open back, medium drawer units, adjustable shelf unit, 9-drawer unit and security screen.



Chevy Vans provide a solid foundation for a wide range of specialized vocational equipment.

Hi-Cube Vans. Two wheelbases. GVWRs from 7,400 to 10,000 lbs.

Chevy Hi-Cube Vans feature the Chevy Van chassis plus a higher, wider van-type rear body. Built on wheelbases of 125" and 146", Chevy Hi-Cube Vans offer a selection of bodies with load space ranging from 384 cu. ft. to 570 cu. ft. And a long list of available equipment lets you tailor these Hi-Cubes to your specific needs. The standard engine for 125"wheelbase models is the 292 Six (except in California), while the 350-4 V-8 is reguired on 146"-wheelbase models and 125"-wheelbase models sold in California. Rear axle capacity: 5,700, 6,200 or 7,500 lbs., depending on model and/or GVWR.

7,400- to 8,900-lb. GVWR vans with steel body.

10' body length, 82.5" or 95" width, 125" wheelbase. Standard height is 6'; 6'4" is available. 82.5"-wide body comes with single rear wheels at 7,400, 7,900 and 8,400 lbs. GVWR. 95"-wide body comes with dual rear wheels at 8,900-lb. GVWR.

8,900-lb. GVWR vans with aluminum body.

10' body length, 96" width, 125" wheelbase. Standard height is 6' with 6'4" available. Dual rear wheels are standard.

8,900- or 10,000-lb. GVWR vans with steel or aluminum body.

12' body length and 95" width (steel) or 96" width (aluminum) on a 146" wheelbase. Standard height is 6'. Dual rear wheels are standard.

CHOICE OF AVAILABLE FACTORY-INSTALLED OPTIONS.

Overhead rear door

Rolls up easily. 66" wide on 10' long, 82.5"-wide steel body; 78" wide on 10' and 12' long, 95"-wide steel bodies; 85" wide on 10' and 12' aluminum bodies.

Sliding partition.

Between driver's seat and load compartment.

Wide rear doors.

Handle wide loads. 60" wide available on all bodies. 74" wide on 10' long, 82.5"-wide steel body.

Plus ...

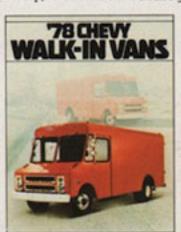
Body height addition to
 76" inside • Inside-mounted spare wheel carrier—LH or RH • Special interior and/or exterior trim • Other options are available on special order. Ask your Chevy dealer.



Chevy 125"- and 146"wheelbase Commercial Cutaway Vans.

The 125"-wheelbase model has a GVW range of 7,400 to 8,400 lbs. with single rear wheels (not available in California) and 8,900 lbs. with dual rear wheels. The 146"-wheelbase model has dual rear wheels standard; GVW ratings are 8,900 lbs. and 10,000 lbs. The Commercial Cutaway Van features the 292 Six as standard engine on the 125"-wheelbase model and the 350-4 V-8 as standard on the 146"-wheelbase model. Also standard on the 146"-wheelbase model is a 4,000-watt Delco Freedom battery, a 61-amp Delcotron generator and a front stabilizer bar.

For vans with even more cargo capacity, check this catalog.



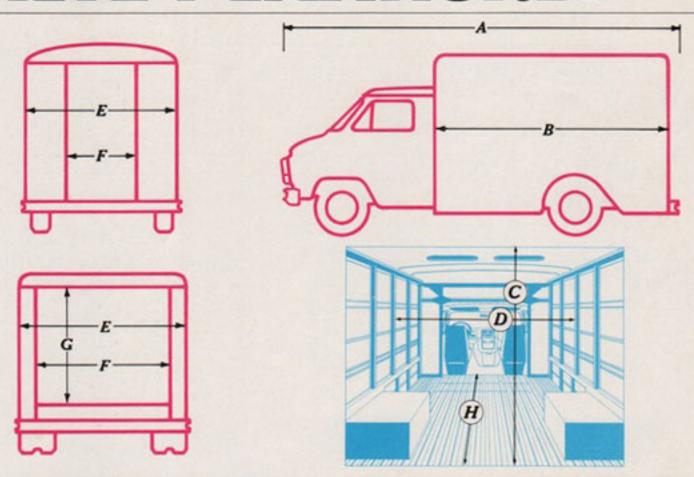
A WORD ABOUT THE COMPONENTS AND OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT IN THESE CHEVROLETS:

The Chevrolets described in this brochure incorporate thousands of different components produced by various divisions of General Motors and by various suppliers to Chevrolet. From time to

VOCATIONAL APPLICATIONS.

time during the manufacturing process it may be necessary in order to meet public demand for particular vehicles or equipment, or to meet federally mandated emissions, safety and fuel economy requirements, or for other reasons, to produce Chevrolet products with different components or differently sourced components than initially scheduled. All such components have been approved for use in Chevrolet products by Chevrolet Motor Division and will provide the quality performance associated with the Chevrolet name.

With respect to factory-installed extra cost optional equipment, make certain you specify the type of equipment you desire on your vehicle when ordering it from your dealer. Before taking delivery of the vehicle, we suggest you verify that it includes the optional equipment that you ordered or if there are changes, they are acceptable to you.



Dimensions		1:	25" WHEELBAS	146" WHEELBASE		
	ST	EEL	ALUMINUM	STEEL	ALUMINUM	
		SINGLE REAR	DUAL REAR			
A	OVERALL LENGTH	207.3"	207.3"	210.3"	231.3"	234.3"
В	BODY LENGTH	10'	10'	10'	12'	12'
C	BODY HEIGHT, INSIDE	72", 76"	72", 76"	72", 76"	72", 76"	72", 76"
D	BODY WIDTH, INSIDE	77.5"	90.2"	90.2"	90.2"	90.2"
E	BODY WIDTH, OUTSIDE	82.5"	95.2"	95.7"	95.2"	95.7"
F	REAR DOOR OPENING WIDTH	38" to 74"	38" to 78"	38" to 85"	38" to 78"	38" to 85"
G	REAR DOOR OPENING HEIGHT	65.4", 69.4"	65.4", 69.4"	65.6", 69.6"	65.4", 69.6"	65.6", 69.6"
H	BODY LENGTH, INSIDE	120.7"	120.7"	122.3"	144.7"	146.3"



SPECIFICATIONS

	CHEVY VAN/SPORTVAN			G30-RV CUTAWAY VAN		G30 COMMERCIAL C. VAN		G30 HI-CUBE VAN			
	G10	G20	G30	125" WB	146" WB	125" WB	146" WB	125" WB	(10')	146" WB (12	
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GVW RANGE (LB.) CHEVY VAN	4900-6000	6400-6600	6400-8400	8400-8900	10,500	7400-8900	8900-10,000	7400-8400	8900	8900-10,000	
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STABILIZER BAR		AVAILABLE		1.06	DIA.	AVAIL.	1.06" DIA.	AVAIL.	1.06	DIA.	
REAR AXLE TYPE	SEMI-FL	OATING	FULL FLTG.	FULL FLOATING		FULL FI	LOATING	FULL FLOATING			
SUSPENSION AXLE CAPACITY (LB.)	3500	3500	5700	5700	7500	5700	6200	5700	6200	6200	
STD. RATIO	3.08	3.40□	4.09	4.09	4.56	4.561	4.10	4.56	4.10	4.10	
AVAIL. RATIOS	2.73	2.76	3.21	3.75	4.10	3.75	4.10	3.75	4.10	4.10	
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ELECTRICAL BATTERY (WATTS)	2500	3200	3200	3200	4000	2500	4000	2500	2500	4000	
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*NOT AVAILABLE IN CALIFORNIA. †AVAILABLE WITH 125" WB ONLY. *NOT AVAILABLE OVER 4000 FEET ALTITUDE. TIRE LOAD RANGE: B (4PR), C (6PR), D (8PR), E (10PR).

#250-1 STANDARD IN CALIF. ONLY. D3.73 STANDARD IN CALIF. ONLY.

(A) G10 SPORTVAN 1700 LB. EA. (B) VAC. POWER BRAKES STD. G10 SPORTVAN.

\$4.09 IN CALIF. *NOT AVAILABLE 125" WB SPORTVAN.
**12" CLUTCH INCLUDED WITH 350-4, 400-4 V-8 ENGINE.

STANDARD COLORS



*(Hi-Cube and Cutaway Vans only.)

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