



What kind of car is it?

It's an Observation car



The Volkswagen Station Wagon comes with 21 windows and a sliding sunroof.

That's 13 windows and one sunroof more than you get with most conventional wagons.

And they're not just for decoration.

Whether you're the driver or a passenger, the extra windows help you to see what's around.

The sunroof helps you to see what's up.

It's on tracks. And slides back to let in all the outdoors you want.

Our sunroof is made of waterproof vinyl outside and leatherette inside. Locked tight, it keeps the heat in, and rain, snow, sleet, and cold out.

You'll find other things about our Wagon that

make it an ideal observation car.

It's a foot-and-a-half higher than conventional wagons. So you're at least a head taller than other drivers. In a traffic jam, you can look over their heads and see what's holding everybody up.

You might even be able to avoid a jam by seeing it in time to turn off to a less crowded road.

Our engine is in back. There's no hood in front to hide your view. You can pull out of tight spaces easier. And avoid potholes others can't see.

Of course, whether or not our observation car is for you depends on how you look at it.

And the best way to start looking is from the inside.

Club car



The Volkswagen Station Wagon is for you if you have lots of interests. Because it can easily fit whatever your interests are.

For example, it seats 9 adults. Or 11 children. So if it's your wife's turn to drive the garden club, or yours to drive Junior's football team, chances are you'll have no problem with seats.

If you want to make your Wagon really look like a club car, you can do it in a few minutes.

Just remove 4 bolts. Reverse the center seat. Put in a card table. And cut for deal.

You can easily get the table through the side doors. They open to 46" x 47". And they open only on the sidewalk side for your children's safety.

If you want to go a step further, you can convert your club car into a sleeping car.

Remove 8 bolts. Take out the center and back seats. And put sleeping bags or air mattresses in on the floor.

It's comfortable. Because this car is also a flat car. There's no drive-shaft hump. The engine's in the rear.

Of course, no matter how you use your VW, you'll find its interior is easy to keep clean.

The upholstery is leatherette. The side panels are plastic. And the floor mat is rubber.

Whatever is dropped or spilled on them can be washed away with soap and water.

Even when your kids use the VW as a dining car.

Baggage car



Most cars seat a family comfortably. Until you put the luggage in.

Then they become crowded.

But not the Volkswagen Station Wagon. It comfortably holds 9 adults. Plus 16 pieces of average-size luggage.

You see, besides three 5-foot-wide seats, it has a 28-cubic-foot baggage compartment.

It's in back. Above the engine compartment.

It's carpeted. And has rails to secure your bags.

You load the compartment through its own 48.4" x 28.7" door.

And once you load it you don't have to unload to get to the spare tire or the engine. The spare is in a compartment of its own behind the front seat. And the engine compartment has a

door below the baggage compartment door.

Even if you take along odd-shaped objects, like a surfboard, there's no problem with a VW Station Wagon. You can stick them up through the sunroof.

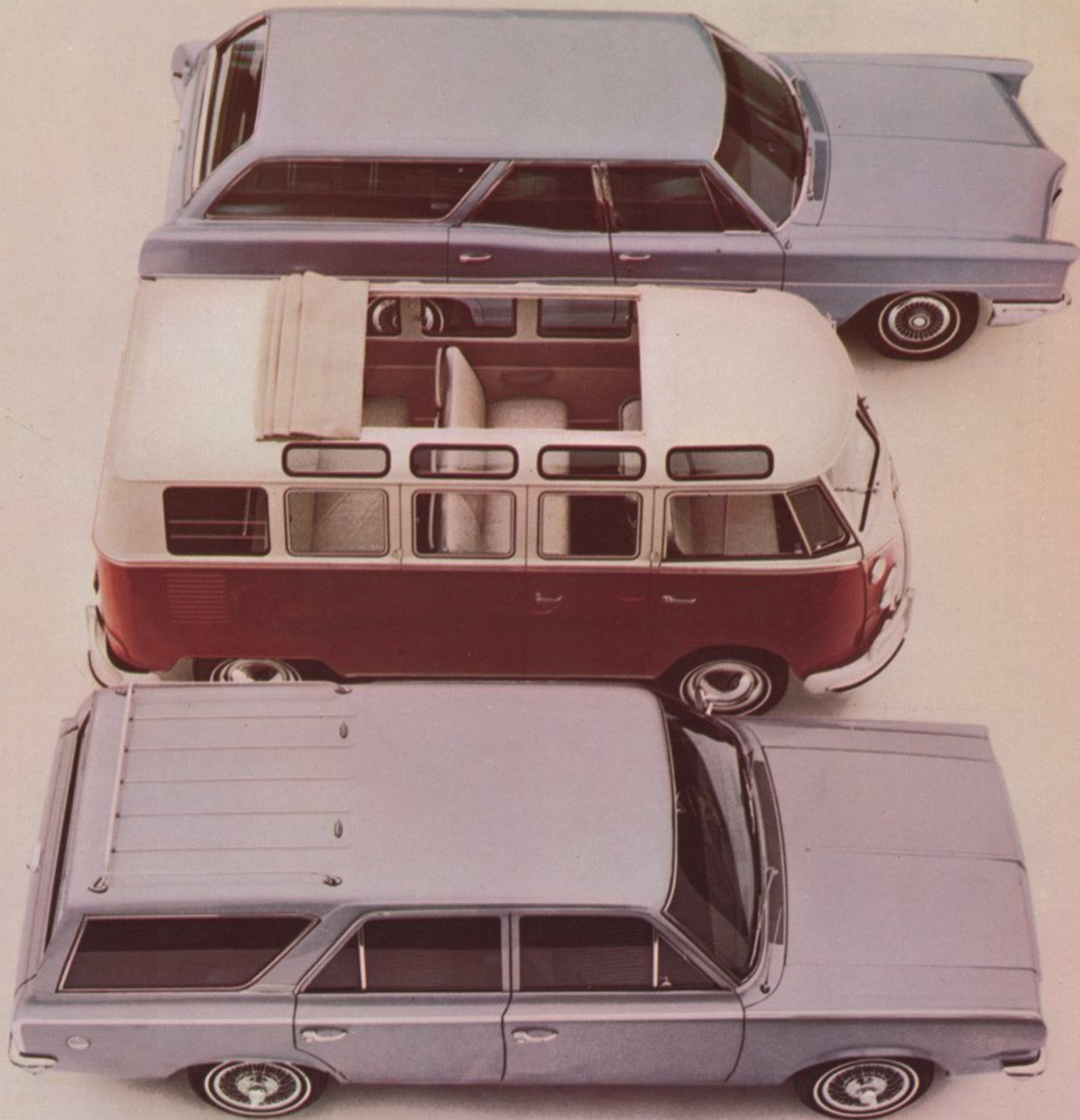
In fact, you can travel with over a ton of stuff. Because this baggage car can become a box car.

Just remove the center and back seats. And you get 170 cubic feet of loading space. That's twice as much as with most conventional wagons.

Of course, with all this attention to space, you may be surprised to know we didn't put in a glove compartment.

But you'll never miss it. Because instead, we put in a cabin-wide shelf that holds three times as much.

Little big-car



The Volkswagen Station Wagon is bigger than the biggest conventional wagon. But littler than the littlest.

That's because when we designed our Wagon, we wanted it to carry a lot, and not waste space. So we eliminated all the things that waste space in conventional wagons.

For example, our Wagon has no hood in front.

In fact, we designed it like a box. Because a box is what carries more in less space than anything else.

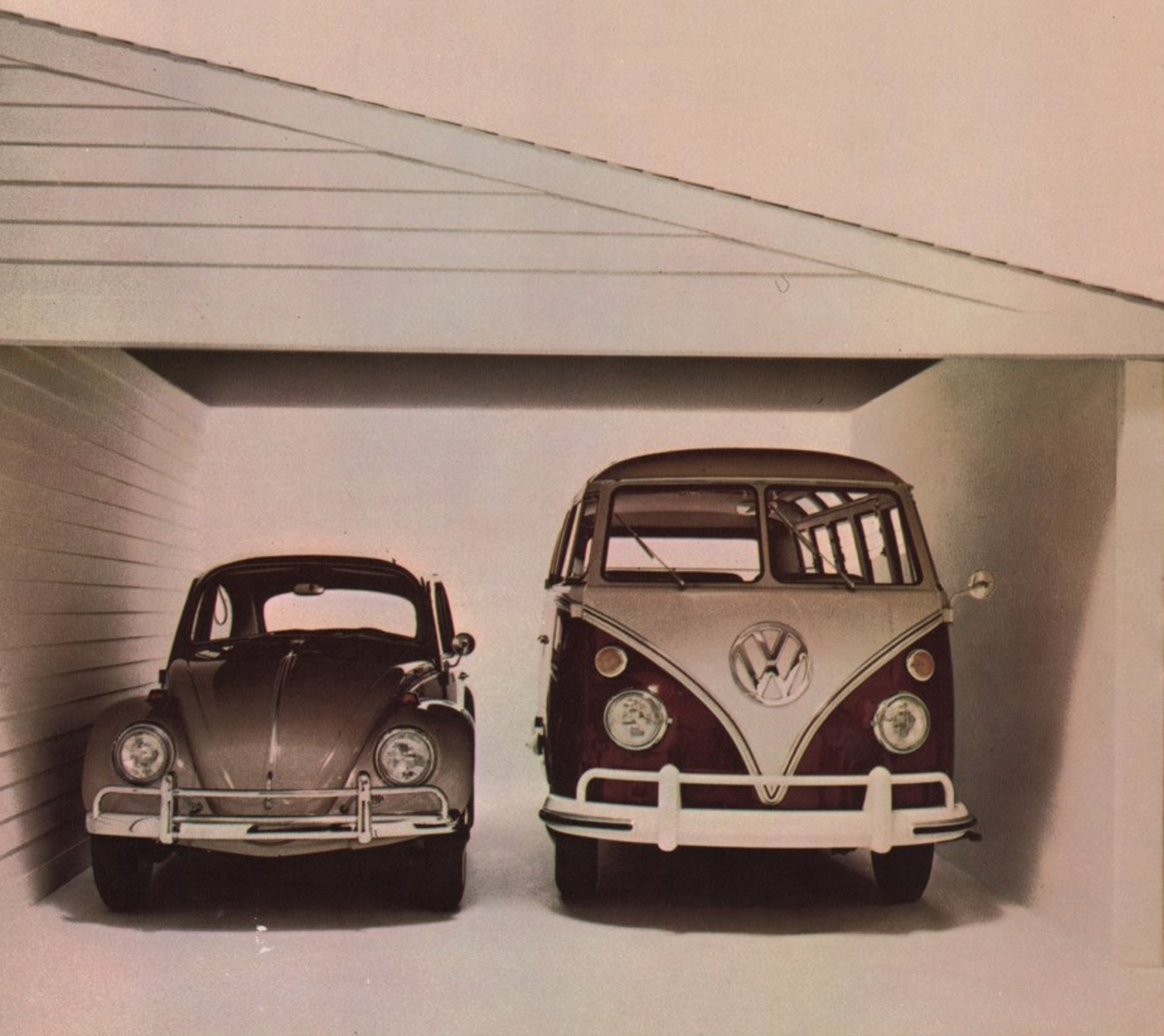
Proof is, the VW gives you 170 cubic feet of space vs. 107 for the biggest conventional wagon. Yet it's about 2 feet shorter than the shortest.

At the same time, our box is only 9 inches longer than our bug. So you can park our biggest car virtually anywhere you can park your littlest.

Of course, our Wagon does stick out a foot-and-a-half higher than conventional wagons.

But then your wife can park it anywhere. And never lose it.

Second car



The Volkswagen Station Wagon makes an ideal second car. Because it costs less to run than any conventional wagon.

For example, it gets you about 23 miles on a gallon of regular gas.

Its tires should last for about 35,000 miles.

It takes 5 pints of oil. Not quarts.

4 spark plugs. Not 6 or 8.

There's no anti-freeze to buy. Because there's no radiator. The engine is air-cooled.

You probably think that with such low operating costs, its buying cost is high.

But it isn't.

You can buy a Volkswagen Station Wagon and a Volkswagen Sedan for the same price you'd pay for some conventional wagons and their optional extras.

It's our two-for-the-price-of-one deal.

Only car



Surprised?

Well about half the people who buy it buy it as their only car.

Maybe it's because when you have only one car you want one that's really a lot of different cars.

Like a car you can use for work. Or play.

A car that can carry twice as big a load as most other wagons. But parks in little spaces others can't.

A car that runs, and runs, and runs. But costs less to run than any conventional wagon.

A car you can be as much at home in on a camp-out as on the way to a formal.

And when you want an only car that's all these kinds of cars in one, let's face it.

There's only one car.

It's a Volkswagen Stati

Everything we've said so far has been about our De Luxe model.

We also make a Standard.

It sells for about \$250 less. And differs from the De Luxe in that it has two windows less, and no sunroof, skylights, electric clock, coat hooks, carpet or rails in the baggage compartment, or modest chrome trim on the body.

Just about everything else is the same.

Take the engine. It's a 53-hp, 4-cylinder type that can push a fully-loaded Wagon up a 28% grade. Or drive it along the open road at 65mph.

You get a 4-wheel independent torsion bar suspension system.

Each wheel is hung independent of the others. When one hits a bump, none of the others feel it.

You also get synchromesh shifting. In all 4 forward gears. Including first.

It saves you money on gas because you can choose the most efficient gear for each driving situation. And smoothly shift into it.

Fourth is overdrive. You can cruise in it all day and not work the engine hard. Saving wear and tear as well as gas.

Shifting itself is easy. The 4 forward gears are in a letter-H pattern. Reverse is down and to the left. After a few days of practice the whole thing becomes automatic.

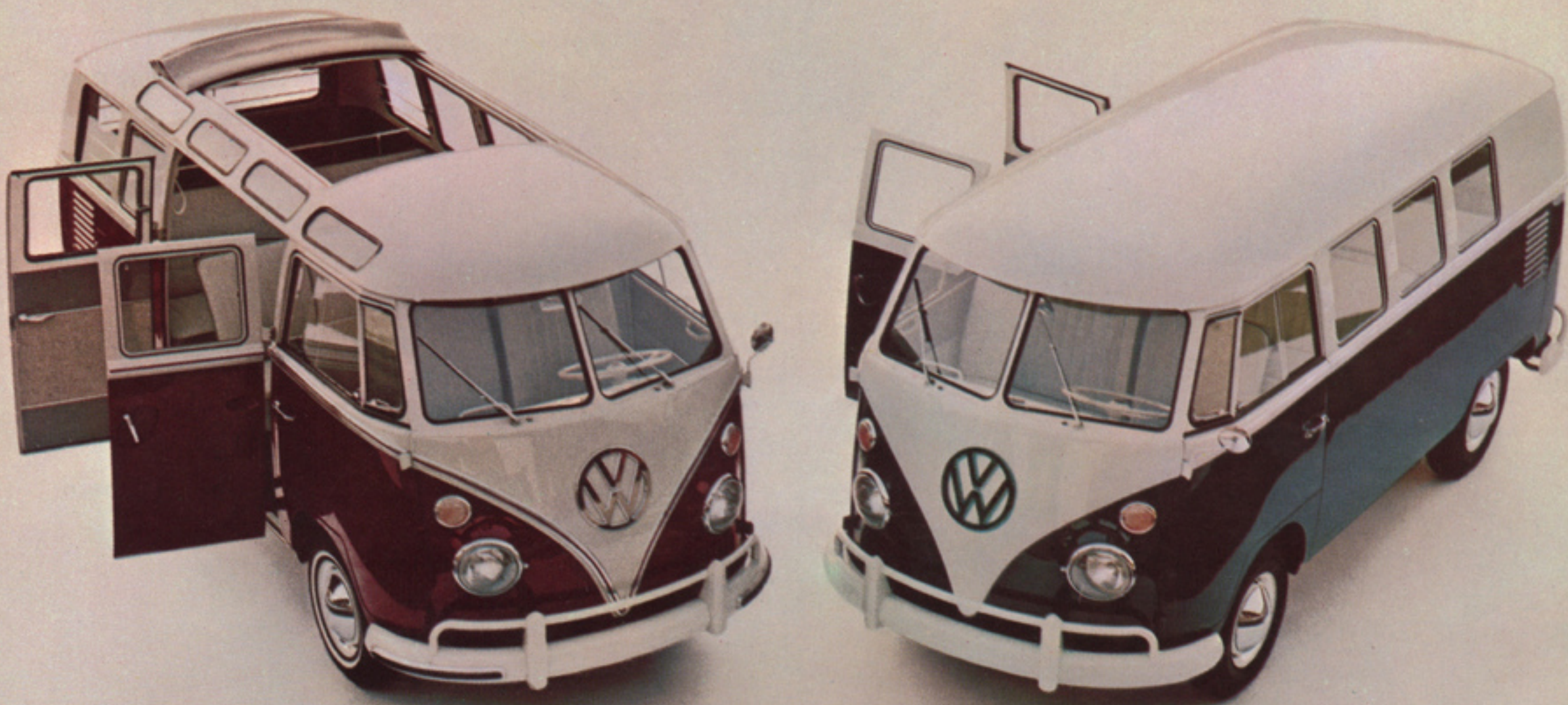
You'll find other sound ideas in our Wagon that make it a Volkswagen through and through.

Some are shown in the picture on the right.

Of course, the basic idea behind the Wagon itself isn't new. We began selling it here in 1950.

But the idea must be catching on. Because each year more and more people see it our way.

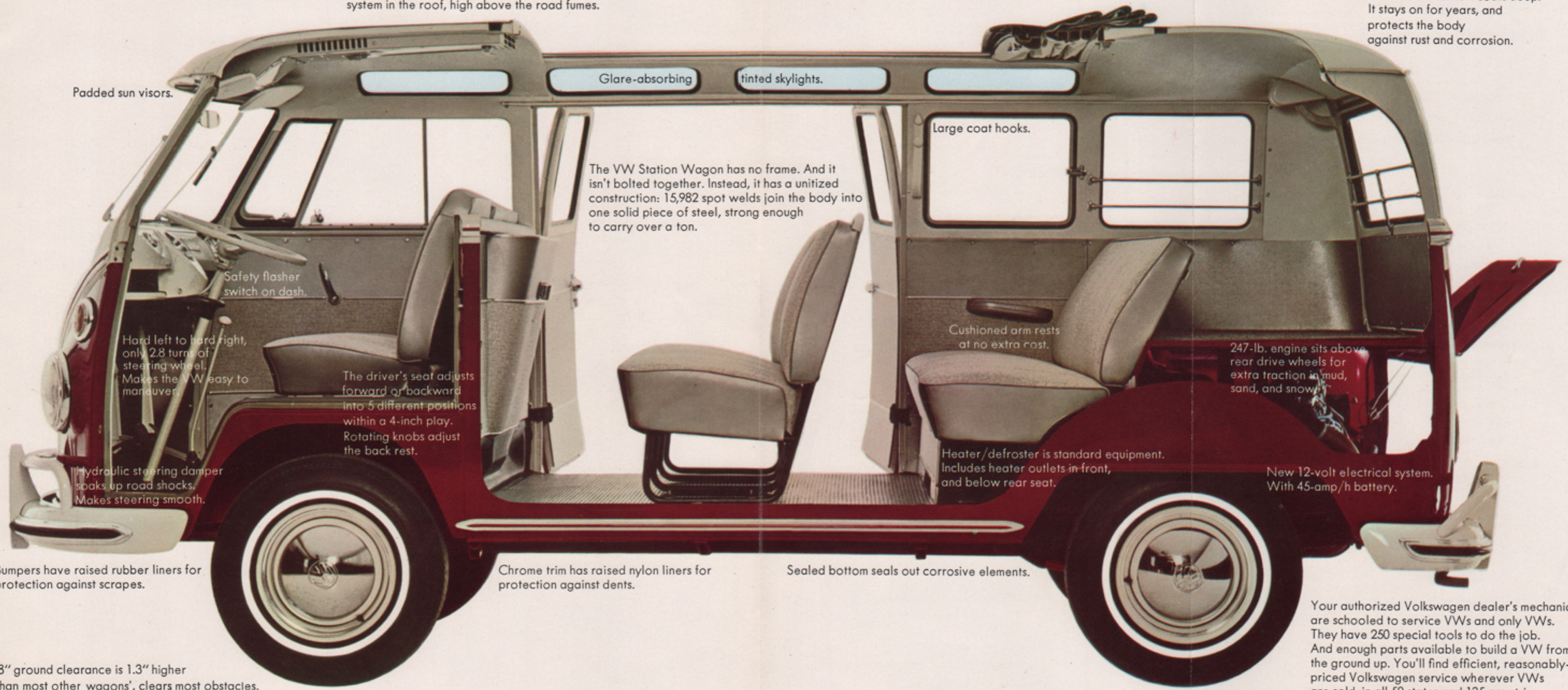
From the inside. As owners.



on Wagon

Even with the sunroof and windows closed, you can get plenty of fresh air. There's a ventilator system in the roof, high above the road fumes.

The VW's finish is 4 coats deep. It stays on for years, and protects the body against rust and corrosion.



Padded sun visors.

Glare-absorbing

tinted skylights.

Large coat hooks.

The VW Station Wagon has no frame. And it isn't bolted together. Instead, it has a unitized construction: 15,982 spot welds join the body into one solid piece of steel, strong enough to carry over a ton.

Safety flasher switch on dash.

Hard left to hard right, only 2.8 turns of steering wheel. Makes the VW easy to maneuver.

The driver's seat adjusts forward or backward into 5 different positions within a 4-inch play. Rotating knobs adjust the back rest.

Cushioned arm rests at no extra cost.

247-lb. engine sits above rear drive wheels for extra traction in mud, sand, and snow.

Hydraulic steering damper soaks up road shocks. Makes steering smooth.

Heater/defroster is standard equipment. Includes heater outlets in front, and below rear seat.

New 12-volt electrical system. With 45-amp/h battery.

Bumpers have raised rubber liners for protection against scrapes.

Chrome trim has raised nylon liners for protection against dents.

Sealed bottom seals out corrosive elements.

8" ground clearance is 1.3" higher than most other wagons', clears most obstacles.

Your authorized Volkswagen dealer's mechanics are schooled to service VWs and only VWs. They have 250 special tools to do the job. And enough parts available to build a VW from the ground up. You'll find efficient, reasonably-priced Volkswagen service wherever VWs are sold: in all 50 states and 135 countries.

Specifications:

ENGINE Type: 4-cylinder, 4-stroke, rear engine. Cylinder arrangement: 2 pairs horizontally opposed. Piston displacement: 91.10 cu. in., Bore: 3.27 in., Stroke: 2.72 in. Compression ratio: 7.5:1. Valves: Overhead type. Maximum S.A.E., B.H.P.: 53 at 4,200 RPM. Mean piston speed: 1,811 ft./min. at 4,000 RPM. Pressure lubrication gear pump and oil cooler. Fuel feed: Mechanical fuel pump. Carburetor: Downdraft carburetor Solex 30 PICT with automatic choke and accelerator pump. Air cleaner: Oil bath type. Cooling system: Air cooling by fan.

CLUTCH Type: Single disk, dry.

TRANSMISSION Type: Four speeds, synchronized. 1st 3.80:1, 2nd 2.06:1, 3rd 1.26:1, 4th 0.82:1, Reverse 3.88:1.

FINAL DRIVE Power: Transmitted through a spiral bevel gear via swinging half axles and spur reduction gears to rear wheels. Ratio: 4.375:1.

CHASSIS Front suspension: Two laminated torsion bars. Rear suspension: One round torsion bar on each side. Shock absorbers: Front and rear: double-acting hydraulic telescopic type. Steering: Ross steering, hydraulic steering damper and stabilizer. Turning circle: Approx. 39 ft. Foot brake: Hydraulic type, operating on all wheels. Parking brake: Mechanical, operating on rear wheels. Wheels: Drop-center rims, 5JK x 14. Tires: 7.00 x 14, tubeless, low profile. Wheelbase: 94.5 in. Tread: Front 54.1 in., rear 53.5 in. Fuel tank capacity: 10.6 U. S. gals.

PERFORMANCE: Fuel consumption: According to DIN 70 030* 23 mpg (U.S.). Max. and cruising speed: 65 mph. Climbing ability: 1st speed 28%, 2nd speed 14.5%, 3rd speed 8%, 4th speed 4.5% at maximum permissible load.

*Consumption plus 10% with half the payload at a steady $\frac{3}{4}$ of top speed on level road.

STANDARD EQUIPMENT FOR DE LUXE STATION WAGON: Sliding sunroof and glare-absorbing skylights (also available without sunroof and skylights); Electric clock; Chromium-plated door fittings; Assist strap and three clothes hooks in the passenger compartment; Durable carpet in luggage compartment; Rear bench rail to secure luggage; Rubber mouldings on bumpers; Chromium-plated waistline moulding, louver mouldings, rim embellishers.

STANDARD EQUIPMENT (ALL MODELS): Leatherette upholstery; Front bench; Center bench; Rear bench; Safety belt anchor points; Tools and jack under the driver's seat; Spare wheel; Windshield washer; Two-speed windshield wiper; Inside rearview mirror; Left hand outside rearview mirror; 12-volt battery.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (ALL MODELS): Whitewall tires; Hinged side windows; Split front seat; Second outside mirror; Front side step; Passenger compartment side step; Radio; Rear speaker; Cigarette lighter. And more: Ask your authorized VW dealer to show you his complete accessories line.

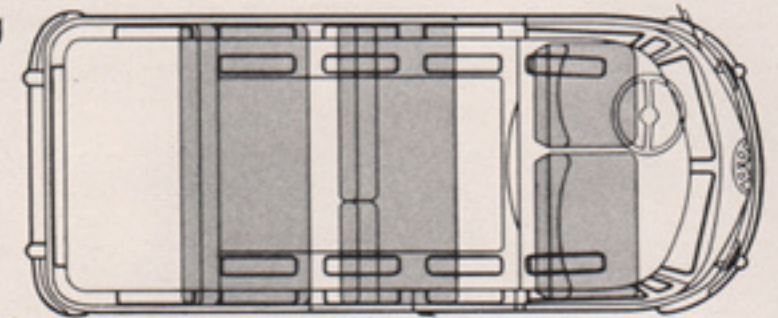
WEIGHTS IN LBS. (ALL MODELS): Payload 2029; Gross weight 4564.

OVERALL DIMENSIONS (IN INCHES):

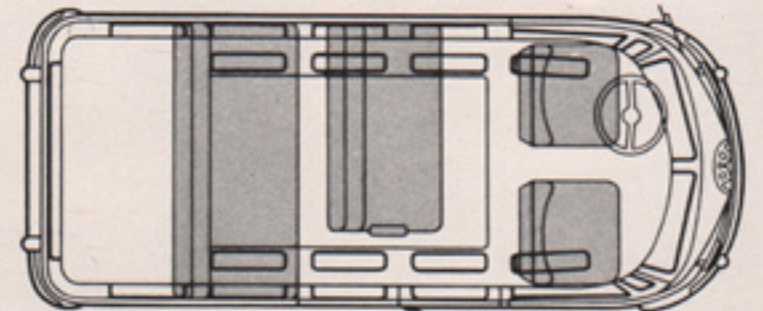
Length	
De Luxe	169.5
Standard	168.9
Width	
De Luxe	70.9
Standard	68.9
Height	
De Luxe	75.8
Standard	75.8
Ground Clearance	8.0
Side door clear width	46.1
Side door clear height	47.2
Rear door clear width	48.4
Rear door clear height	28.7
Luggage compartment	
27.6 x 57.1 x 31.5 in. = 28 cu. ft.	

CHOOSE THE SEATING ARRANGEMENT THAT SUITS YOU BEST:

Regular seating arrangement for De Luxe and Standard models.



Optional seating arrangement for De Luxe and Standard models: Split front seat and shortened center bench with aisle.



Velvet Green/Pearl White



Titian Red/Beige Grey



Sea Blue/Cumulus White

Specifications described in this catalogue are subject to change without notice. Latest colors and interior appointments may be seen at your Authorized Volkswagen Dealer.

