

1987 FORD TAURUS





Best-built American cars six years running

"Quality is Job 1." In fact, for the past six consecutive years, Ford quality has led all other American car companies. This is based on an average of owner-reported problems in the first three months of service on '86 models, and in a six-month period on '81-'85 models designed and built in North America.

Leading the way into the future

In its first year, Taurus has captured numerous prestigious automotive awards as well as the attention and admiration of the American car driving public. The awards and accolades are nice but what matters most is how Taurus is accepted in the marketplace. And based on what we have seen so far from current sales all over America, Ford Taurus is being very well received. Taurus is more than just a car. It is the product of a new philosophy that has been taking shape at Ford. A philosophy that will lead it into the future.

Taurus LX is the most luxurious Taurus with luxury cloth seat materials and a unique sew style. A V-6 engine, automatic overdrive trans-axle and a host of convenience items make owning this Taurus a pleasure.

Taurus Wagon models offer you the attributes of good wagon design in driveability, comfort and versatility plus the added ingredient of an outstanding dynamic design. Taurus Wagons are available in L, GL, LX and MT-5 trim levels.

Taurus GL is the mid-series Taurus with plenty of comfort and convenience items. Choose from reclining split bench or bucket seats. Electronic AM/FM stereo search radio, dual electric mirrors and interval wipers are among the many standard features.

Taurus MT-5 illustrates another side of Taurus. It's perfect for your growing tastes and your growing family. MT-5 combines all of the room and comfort of a 4-door family sedan or wagon with the driving fun of a 5-speed manual transaxle, front and rear stabilizer bars, bucket seats and center console.

Left: Taurus LX Sedan shown in Dark Shadow Blue Clearcoat Metallic.

Some equipment shown may be optional. See options list on page 21.

Ford Taurus



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Left: Taurus LX Sedan shown in Medium Grey Clearcoat Metallic.

Right: Taurus LX Wagon shown in Oxford White. See Ford Taurus Wagons on pages 14-15.

Below: Taurus LX Sedan luggage compartment with cargo net. Some equipment shown may be optional. See options list on page 21.



Ford Taurus LX

Elegant performance

Taurus is dramatic proof that a sedan that can carry up to six passengers still can be clean and elegant in the process. Taurus LX goes well beyond that concept of what a 6-passenger sedan should provide.

Driver convenience

Taurus LX provides many driver conveniences. Like the tilt steering column, 6-way power driver's seat, power door locks and windows. Outside rearview mirrors that are

Driver and passenger comfort

Taurus LX comes with standard luxury cloth split bench front seats (or optional leather seating surfaces) that feature reclining seat backs, inflatable lumbar supports and 4-way adjustable headrests. If you prefer, LX sedans are also available with front bucket seats and center console (no extra cost). To provide for the comfort of rear passengers, heating ducts are integrated into the floor. And stationary headrests are



electrically operated. Trunk and fuel door releases that are conveniently located and lockable for extra security. The tactile controls for the windows, door locks and mirrors that allow you to operate them by feel, are integrated into conveniently located panels on the driver's door.

In addition, Taurus LX provides standard air conditioning, tinted glass all around, dual illuminated visor mirrors, secondary visors for simultaneous front and side sun screening and an electronic AM/FM stereo search radio.

incorporated into the rear seat backs. The sedan rear seat also includes a fold-down center armrest.

Luggage compartment

Like the rest of Taurus LX, the sedan luggage compartment is equally well-finished with the following: full carpeting; two covered storage compartments; a cargo tie-down net; a Convenience Kit that includes a 7-in-1 fluorescent lantern with cigarette lighter adapter and cord, tire pressure gauge, cotton mesh gloves, orange vinyl poncho, cotton shop towel, a vinyl "Call Police" distress flag, a replacement headlamp bulb and a vinyl pouch to keep it all in.



Taurus LX Sedan interior shown in Medium Grey. Some equipment shown may be optional. See options list on page 21.



Left: Electronic Instrument Cluster. Optional on L, GL and LX models.

Below: The rear window ledge package bin, standard in GL, LX and MF5 sedans, is just right for storing small carry on items.

Bottom: Door panel power controls are located at your fingertips.

Far right: Secondary visors provide sun protection from the front and side.

Some equipment shown may be optional. See options list on page 21.



Sophisticated Design. Complete Control.

A lot of thought went into the interior design of Ford Taurus. In fact, the Taurus design was actually developed from the inside out. That meant putting the needs of the driver and passengers first.

Driver control

The electronic instrument cluster is one example of the attention paid to helping the driver maintain control. The cluster is optional on all Taurus models and includes the following: electronic digital speedometer/odometer; electronic tachometer; mechanical fuel and temperature gauges; English/metric conversion functions; Tripminder® computer that calculates and displays trip average fuel economy, instantaneous fuel economy, distance to empty, cumulative trip distance, low fuel alert, low oil alert, speed alarm and service interval reminder; Diagnostic System Scanner that checks the following each time the car is started: Door ajar, liftgate ajar (wagons), headlamp out, taillamp out, brakelamp out, and low washer fluid. If all systems are operating properly, the scanner displays "NORMAL." If a problem is found, the system will display a message alerting you to the area where the malfunction has occurred.

Driver and passenger comfort

The seats of Taurus are designed to help eliminate fatigue during prolonged riding situations. Their final design is the result of over three years and 100,000 miles of testing. The seats are covered with a cloth tri-laminate fabric for comfort and an excellent fit. High-density foam pads provide even comfort with no hard or soft spots.

Driver and passenger convenience

Taurus interiors are loaded with many conveniences, all designed to

do away with many everyday driving annoyances.

For instance, the non-power front seats, split bench, flight bench and buckets, incorporate 11-inch wide seat track release bars making it easy to adjust the seats with either hand, from inside or outside the car.

Careful attention was paid to the design of the safety belts, too. For instance, the inboard safety belt buckles on the front seats are anchored to the seat tracks to minimize belt adjustment should you move the seat forward or backward after you've buckled up. In addition, the safety belts incorporate plastic covered buckles that stay cool in a hot car, and they feature side-mounted releases for easy one-hand operation.

Also standard on LX are dual illuminated visor mirrors and sec-



ondary visors for both driver and passenger. The passenger side mirror slides down from inside the visor and has a special joint that allows it to be adjusted close to the face. The secondary visors provide extra coverage from bright sunshine when driving down a winding road for example. One visor offers sun protection from the side while the other protects you in front.

The inside-out design of Taurus makes a lot of sense when you stop and think about it. And, it makes even more sense when you drive it.



Left: Taurus GL Sedan shown in Silver Clearcoat Metallic.

Right: Taurus L Sedan shown in Sandalwood Clearcoat Metallic. Right bottom: Standard analog instrumentation.

Below: Taurus GL interior shown in Scarlet Red. Some equipment shown may be optional. See options list on page 21.

Ford Taurus GL and L

Two more ways to go in style

GL is the mid-series model but, like all Taurus models, it excels in the areas of style and comfort. And the L-Series is close behind.

GL and L sedans come with a 2.5 liter 4-cylinder engine and 3-speed (CLC) automatic transaxle. Wagon models include the 3.0 liter V-6 engine and automatic overdrive transaxle.

Driver and passenger comfort

Interior comfort in GL is provided in your choice of either split bench front seats or bucket seats with center console. The split bench seats feature fold-down center armrests. Both buckets and split bench seats have reclining seat backs and 4-way adjustable headrests. In L-Series models the front

flight bench seat includes a fold-down center armrest and a reclining seat back for the driver.

In the GL sedan, the rear seat also has a fold-down center armrest and handy map pockets located on the backs of the front seats. There is also a convenient rear window ledge storage bin on GL sedans, complete with a magnetic latching cover. To provide a warm environment for rear passengers, heat ducts have been incorporated under the front seats of all Taurus models.

GL and L-Series Wagons

When the designers and engineers put together the GL and L wagons, they thoughtfully considered what a wagon ultimately would be used for. So there's lots of cargo space inside and a standard luggage rack on top for carrying-capability outside. And the second seat is a split/fold 60/40 design for extra cargo carrying versatility.

For more on Taurus Wagons, turn to pages 14 and 15 of this catalog.



Driver and passenger convenience

Taurus GL includes all the niceties required to make your drive a pleasurable one.

The electronic AM/FM stereo search radio with four speakers is standard as are the dual electric remote control outside mirrors. Interval wipers, electronic digital clock and trip odometer are also standard.

The GL trunk is fully carpeted and includes a cargo net and built-in tie-down hooks to help secure grocery bags or other small packages in upright positions.





Left: Taurus MT-5 shown in Black.

Right: Standard 5-speed manual transaxle. Available only with MT-5.

Below: MT-5 interior shown in Sand Beige. Some equipment shown may be optional. See options list on page 21.

Ford Taurus MT-5

5-speed, 5-passenger

Taurus MT-5 is designed to let you have a little driving fun along with the room of a 5-passenger, 4-door sedan (or up to 7 passengers in the MT-5 wagon).

Driving fun

Because MT-5 is built for those who enjoy their driving, it includes a few features that come in handy on the road. For instance, MT-5 includes a uniquely designed instrument cluster that adds a tachometer, trip odometer and upshift indicator light to the standard fuel and temperature gauges to help you monitor the 2.5 liter high swirl combustion (HSC) fuel-injected 4-cylinder engine. You also will appreciate the standard 5-speed manual transaxle, front and rear stabilizer bars and gas-pressurized front struts and rear shocks.

Driver and passenger comfort

The MT-5 interior seats five passengers* in comfort. In front are bucket seats with reclining seat backs and 4-way adjustable headrests. The standard center console includes a flip-up padded armrest with clamshell lid, a storage bin with removable black vinyl mat. A coin holder and depressions for beverage containers. The front seat



backs include map pockets. The sedan rear seat has a fold-down center armrest and integral headrests.

Some of the more notable comfort and convenience items include air conditioning, tilt steering column, interval wipers, electronic AM/FM stereo search radio, secondary driver's visor, visor mirrors (covered on the driver's side).

Taurus MT-5. A combination of performance fun and driving luxury that adds up to an outstanding value.

*Seven in wagon models with the optional rear facing third seat.



Left: Taurus LX Wagon shown in Silver Clearcoat Metallic.

Right: Taurus GL Wagon shown in Black.

Right bottom: The optional rear facing third seat. It's just right for two children.

Below: The two-way liftgate gives convenient access for small package loading with the window up and large package or passenger loading with the whole tailgate up. The optional foldout picnic table is perfect for a tailgate outing with family or friends.

Some equipment shown may be optional. See options list on page 21.



Ford Taurus Wagons

Changing the way America thinks about wagons

Driveability, family-size comfort and a versatile cargo area are the basics of every good wagon design. Taurus has combined all those attributes, refined them, and added an extra ingredient a lot of other wagons can't — the good looks of an outstanding dynamic design.

Taurus Wagon driveability

The way Taurus performs on the road says a lot about its personality. Responsive powertrains provide good acceleration and efficient highway cruising.* A specially designed rear suspension system provides sedan-like ride characteristics while at the same time maximizing useable cargo area. Power rack and pinion steering adds a quick, crisp feeling. These are all desirable traits in any automobile. And they're all standard in Taurus wagons.

Family-size comfort

All Taurus Wagons mirror their sedan counterparts in the areas of comfort and convenience. In the LX Wagon you'll find the same luxurious split bench front seats with dual recliners and power adjustable lumbar supports. Power windows and locks. Air conditioning, tinted glass. All standard.

In fact, virtually every comfort and convenience item found in the sedans will be found in the wagons. It's from the front seat back that the difference occurs.

The second seat is a 60/40 split/fold design that seats three across comfortably. For more seating capacity, you can order the optional rear facing third seat. It's the perfect place for two children to enjoy the ride.

A versatile cargo area

Since Taurus Wagons are going to be called on to carry cargo from

area, the luggage rack is standard. It is also corrosion proof and features an adjustable rear bar and six flip-up cargo tie-downs.

Ford is changing the way America thinks about wagons. And Taurus is leading the way.

*See Gas mileage on page 16.

**Based on 1987 MVMA passenger car specifications.



time to time, this area was given special attention.

The 60/40 split/fold second seat is one example. It allows you to carry long cargo (skis for instance) and still have room for two rear seat passengers. Fold both seat backs down and the cargo area is a large 81.0 cubic feet.** The load floor and seat backs are carpeted and there is an additional locking storage space under the load floor for tools or small packages. Cargo tie-downs, suitable for fairly heavy-duty bungee cord applications, are built into the load floor to aid in securing loose packages. On GL, LX and MT-5, an elasticized cargo net is also provided.

And because all wagons inevitably are asked to carry something that won't fit easily into the cargo



Ford Taurus—The Technical Side

The electronically fuel injected V-6 engine, standard in LX and all wagon models except MT-5, was designed for simplicity and responsiveness. And the automatic overdrive transaxle is so well designed that it requires zero scheduled maintenance under normal use.

All do-it-yourself fluid checks are arranged for easy access and are color-coded for easy identification.

The Taurus hood features gas-charged struts which assist in raising the hood and holding it open without the use of a prop rod.

20-inch windshield wipers have an articulated arm that sweeps close to the driver's side roof pillar to aid visibility.

Flush glass all around aids aerodynamic efficiency, reduces wind noise and adds to overall appearance.

Front seat headrests in MT-5, GL, LX adjust four ways: up, down, forward and back. Seat backs recline in $\frac{1}{4}$ -degree increments for individualized comfort.

Rear seat passengers have their own heat ducts. Plus 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch spacing between seat tracks for extra foot room and added comfort.

All doors include reflectors and operate the interior courtesy light. Front door panels feature curb lights and map pockets; rear doors include child-proof door locks.

A covered storage compartment in GL, MT-5 and LX sedans holds magazines and other personal items neatly out of the way.

Front end alignment (caster/camber) is preset at the factory and needs no periodic adjustment.

Engineering systems unified to work beautifully

Ford Taurus brings new meaning to the word performance. Of course, it still identifies with the traditional areas of acceleration and superb handling. But, also in other less conspicuous areas.

Almost every aspect of Taurus speaks performance in some way or another. Whether it's in the angled

rear floor that gives additional rear passenger foot comfort or in the advanced dynamic shape that lets Taurus slip efficiently and quietly through the air, Taurus speaks performance and speaks it well.

Measure Taurus performance with a different ruler

When you see and drive the new Taurus for the first time, look it over closely. Check the fit and finish as well as the acceleration and handling.

As a guide, we've called out (above) a few of the many items that make Taurus performance far out of the ordinary and something you're sure to appreciate.

Gas mileage

1987 EPA mileage estimates were not available at the time this catalog was approved for printing. As soon as EPA figures are released, your Ford Dealer will be among the first to receive this information and will be happy to pass it along to you.

Taurus powerteams

Engine	Transaxle	Final transfer ratios
2.5L	5-speed	3.73
2.5L	CLC	3.26*
3.0L	AXOD	3.37

*NA on wagons or with High Altitude Emissions System.

Lower bodyside cladding on LX and urethane coating on GL, L and MT-5 help Taurus ward off the damaging effects of loose gravel and road salt, too.

Side door guard beams for added protection from side impacts.

Taurus utilizes 4-wheel independent suspension systems with front struts and rear shocks all gas-pressurized for a firm, comfortable ride.

Sedans and wagons have fully-carpeted cargo areas. In GL, MT-5 and LX there are built-in cargo tie-downs and an elasticized net to help hold packages in place.

The 5-mile-per-hour front and rear polycarbonate bumpers are shaped to help manage the flow of air around and under the car. They are resilient, rust-proof, scuff-resistant and smooth with no sharp edges.



Preferred Equipment Packages

The Taurus GL Sedan pictured at left includes Preferred Equipment Package 204A. Preferred Equipment Packages are combinations of options that have proved popular with many car buyers, usually at a substantial savings. And they simplify the ordering procedure.

Selecting your automobile

Here's how it works: (1) Choose your bodystyle (sedan or wagon). (2) Select the Preferred Equipment Package with the features you want from the charts at right. You save money on virtually every package compared to the price if the items were purchased separately.

Individual features and options are listed on page 21. Preferred Equipment Packages are subject to change. For the latest information, consult your Ford Dealer.

An Easy Way To Buy

Taurus	L 201A	GL 203A 204A	LX 207A 208A	MT-5 212A 213A
Air Conditioning	•	•	•	•
Electronic climate control air conditioning			•	
Tinted glass	•	•	•	•
Electronic digital clock	•	•	•	•
Rear window defroster (1)	•	•	•	•
Dual electric remote control mirrors	•	•	•	•
Rocker panel moldings	•	•	•	•
Electronic AM/FM stereo search radio	•	•		
Electronic AM/FM stereo search radio with cassette tape player			•	•
Reclining passenger seat	•	•	•	•
Speed control	•	•	•	•
Interval windshield wipers	•	•	•	•
Light Group (2)		•	•	•
Tilt steering column		•	•	•
Paint stripe (3)		•	•	•
Finned wheel covers		•	•	•
Styled road wheels			•	•
P205/70R14 BSW tires		•	•	•
Floor mats, front and rear		•	•	•
Remote fuel door and decklid releases (4)		•	•	•
6-way power driver's seat		•	•	•
Power side windows		•	•	•
Power door locks		•	•	•
Cornering lamps			•	•
Illuminated Entry System (2)			•	•
Dual illuminated visor mirrors			•	•
Autolamp System (2), (5)			•	•
Premium Sound System (2)			•	•
Leather-wrapped steering wheel			•	•
Extended range fuel tank			•	•
Diagnostic alert lights				•
Electronic instrument cluster (6)			•	
Keyless Entry System (2)			•	
Power radio antenna			•	

(1) Premium sound is an allowable substitution except in packages 207A, 208A and 213A. (2) See the options list for content/description. (3) May be deleted with no price credit but still qualify for package discount. (4) Decklid release on sedans only. (5) Rear window wiper/washer or Insta-Clear™ windshield are allowable substitutions on wagons. (6) See description on page 9.

Taurus 2.5L Special Value

When you purchase a Taurus L, GL or MT-5 sedan equipped with a 2.5L engine, certain options (Clearcoat Metallic paint, etc.) will be included at no extra charge. See your Ford Dealer for all the details.



Well-Equipped Cars and Personalized Options

Illustrated options: (A) Electronic AM/FM stereo search radio with cassette tape player (B) Dual illuminated visor mirrors (C) Keyless Entry System (includes Illuminated Entry System) (D) 6-way power driver's seat (shown with standard LX power adjustable lumbar support) (E) Rear window defroster (F) Insta-Clear™ windshield (G) Cast aluminum wheels (H) Locking spoked wheel covers (I) Styled road wheels (J) Finned wheel covers (K) Tot-Guard (for children 20-50 pounds, available at your Ford Dealer)

Notable standard features and options for each Taurus series are listed on the facing page. In selecting the options you want, compare your choices with the Preferred Equipment Packages on page 19. You're likely to find most of the equipment you want is already included for you in a particular package. Options and their availability are subject to change during the year. Your Ford Dealer can advise you of current status.

Electronic AM/FM stereo search radio with cassette tape player

This electronic radio includes: memory for six AM and 12 FM stations; electronic search both up and down the scale; FM muting; local/distant sensitivity switch; 24-watts of RMS power; Auto-reverse cassette player; Dolby® noise reduction and more.

Insta-Clear™ Windshield

This Taurus option is available on models equipped with the 3.0L V-6 engine. It is an electrically heated windshield capable of removing 1/10 of an inch of frost at 0 degrees F in two to three minutes.



• = Standard ■ = Optional	L	GL	LX	MT-5
ENGINEERING				
2.5L 4-cylinder/CLC transaxle (1)	•	•		
2.5L 4-cylinder/5-speed manual transaxle				•
3.0L V-6/AOD transaxle (1)		■	•	
Power front disc/rear drum brakes	•	•	•	•
Power rack and pinion steering	•	•	•	•
Gas-pressurized shocks and struts	•	•	•	•
Front wheel drive	•	•	•	•
Four wheel independent suspension	•	•	•	•
Permanent set front alignment	•	•	•	•
Front stabilizer bar	•	•	•	•
Rear stabilizer bar	•	•	•	•
Gas cylinder hood assists	•	•	•	•
Maintenance free battery	•	•	•	•
Child-proof rear door locks	•	•	•	•
Two-way liftgate (Wagons)	•	•	•	•
Luxury Sound Insulation Package	•	•	•	•
16-gallon fuel tank with tethered gas cap	•	•	•	•
P195/70R14 BSW all season tires	•	•	•	•
P195/70R14 WSW all season tires	■	■	■	■
P205/70R14 BSW all season tires	■	■	■	■
P205/70R14 WSW all season tires	■	■	■	■
P205/65R15 BSW all-season tires	■	■	■	■
P205/65R15 WSW all-season tires	■	■	■	■
Conventional spare tire	■	■	■	■
EXTERIOR				
5-mph polycarbonate bumpers	•	•	•	•
Aerodynamic corrosion-proof luggage rack with adjustable rear crossbar and six integral tie-downs (Wagons)	•	•	•	•
Single aero-style halogen headlamps	•	•	•	•
Dual electric remote control mirrors	■	■	■	■
Shingled one-piece doors with concealed drip moldings	•	•	•	•
Urethane coating on lower doors and rocker panels	•	•	•	•
Rocker panel moldings	■	■	■	■
Lower bodyside cladding	•	•	•	•
Cornering lamps	•	■	•	■
Full wheel covers	•	•	•	•
Finned wheel covers	■	■	■	■
Tinted glass	■	•	•	•
INTERIOR				
Flight bench front seat with fold-down center armrest and driver's side recliner	•	•	•	•
Dual reclining split bench front seats	•	•	•	•
Luxury cloth reclining split bench front seats with power adjustable lumbar supports	•	•	•	•
Reclining bucket seats with center console (optional on LX sedan only, no cost)	•	■	■	•
Front seat-back map pockets	•	•	•	•
Rear seat fold-down center armrest (Sedans)	•	•	•	•
4-way adjustable front headrests	•	•	•	•
Integral rear seat headrests (Sedans)	•	•	•	•
60/40 split fold-down second seat (Wagons)	•	•	•	•
Soft-feel color-keyed safety belts	•	•	•	•
Safety belt reminder chime	•	•	•	•
Driver-oriented instrument panel with swept-away design, side window demisters and positive shut-off climate control registers	•	•	•	•
Tilt steering column	■	■	•	•
Multi-function stalk-mounted control for turn signals, wiper/wash, high beam and flash-to-pass	•	•	•	•
Interval windshield wipers	■	■	•	•
Magnetic fuel and temperature gauges with 90-degree pointer movement	•	•	•	•
Trip odometer	•	•	•	•
Electronic digital clock	•	•	•	•
Unique instrument cluster with tachometer and upshift indicator light	•	•	•	•

INTERIOR	L	GL	LX	MT-5
Electronic AM radio with dual front speakers (2)	•	•	•	•
Electronic AM/FM stereo search radio with 4 speakers	■	•	•	•
Door trim panels with cloth inserts, padded armrests, formed front door map pockets and curb lights	•	•	•	•
Courtesy light switches and reflectors (all doors)	•	•	•	•
Carpeted rear window ledge (Sedans)	•	•	•	•
Rear window ledge storage bin (Sedans)	•	•	•	•
Right hand visor mirror	•	•	•	•
Left hand covered visor mirror	•	•	•	•
Dual illuminated visor mirrors with secondary visors	■	■	■	■
Secondary driver's side visor	•	•	•	•
Carpeted luggage compartment/cargo area	•	•	•	•
Luggage compartment storage bins with hinged lids (sedans)	•	•	•	•
Lockable, carpeted under-floor storage compartment (Wagons)	•	•	•	•
Luggage compartment/cargo area light(s)	•	•	•	•
Built-in cargo tie-downs (Wagons)	•	•	•	•
Elasticized cargo tie-down net	•	•	•	•
APPEARANCE				
Cast aluminum wheels	■	■	■	■
Finned wheel covers	■	■	■	■
Locking spoked wheel covers	■	■	■	■
Styled road wheels	■	■	■	■
Paint stripe	■	■	■	■
COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE				
Air conditioning	■	■	•	•
Electronic climate control (3)	•	•	•	•
Electronic instrument cluster	■	■	■	■
Electronic AM/FM stereo search radio with cassette tape player	■	■	■	■
Premium Sound System (4)	■	■	■	■
Power radio antenna	■	■	■	■
Rear window defroster	■	■	■	■
Insta-Clear™ heated windshield (5)	■	■	■	■
Power driver's seat, 6-way	■	■	■	■
Power driver and passenger seats, 6-way	■	■	■	■
Power side windows	■	■	■	■
Power door locks	■	■	■	■
Autolamp System (6)	■	■	■	■
Keyless Entry System (7)	■	■	■	■
Light Group (8)	■	■	■	■
Diagnostic alert lights (9)	■	■	■	■
Remote fuel door release	■	■	■	■
Remote decklid release (Sedans)	■	■	■	■
Automatic parking brake release	■	■	■	■
Speed control	■	■	■	■
Leather-wrapped steering wheel	■	■	■	■
Rear window wiper/washer (10)	■	■	■	■
Rear facing third seat (10)	■	■	■	■
Fold-out picnic table (10)	■	■	■	■
Cargo area cover, window shade-type (10)	■	■	■	■
PERFORMANCE				
Extended range fuel tank (18.6-gal)	■	■	■	■
Heavy-duty (load-carrying) suspension (10)	■	■	■	■

(1) 3.0L V-6/AOD transaxle standard on Wagons (except MT-5). (2) May be deleted for credit. (3) Includes automatic temperature control, digital display of both inside and outside temperatures, dual sunload compensation sensors, electronic pushbutton controls for desired temperature and mode selection, full manual override capability for blower speed and mode selection, infinitely variable rotary blower speed control. (4) Includes six premium speakers, power amplifier/boosted. (5) See explanation on page 20. (6) Autolamp, system automatically turns headlamps on and off and delays shut-off of the headlamps for a preset amount of time. (7) Keyless Entry System utilizes a preset code which allows you to lock and unlock your car doors without the use of a key. (8) Includes dual beam map light, engine compartment light, courtesy light under instrument panel, headlamps "ON" reminder buzzer or chime. (9) Includes alert lights for headlamp out, low fuel, low oil level, low washer fluid level and door ajar. (10) Wagon only.

Colors & Trims

Interior Trim Colors					Exterior Paint Colors	
Regatta Blue	Spinnaker Blue	Taupe	Medium Grey	Sand Beige		
X	X	X	X		Black	
	X	X			Medium Cabernet	
					Taupe	
X					Spinnaker Blue	
			X		Sand Beige	
X	X	X	X	X	Oxford White	
	X	X			Silver Metallic*	
	X	X			Medium Grey Metallic*	
	X	X			Medium Red Metallic*	
X					Silver Blue Metallic*	
		X			Medium Aegean Metallic*	
			X		Driftwood Metallic*	
		X			Dark Taupe Metallic*	
X		X			Dark Shadow Blue Metallic*	
			X		Sandalwood Metallic*	

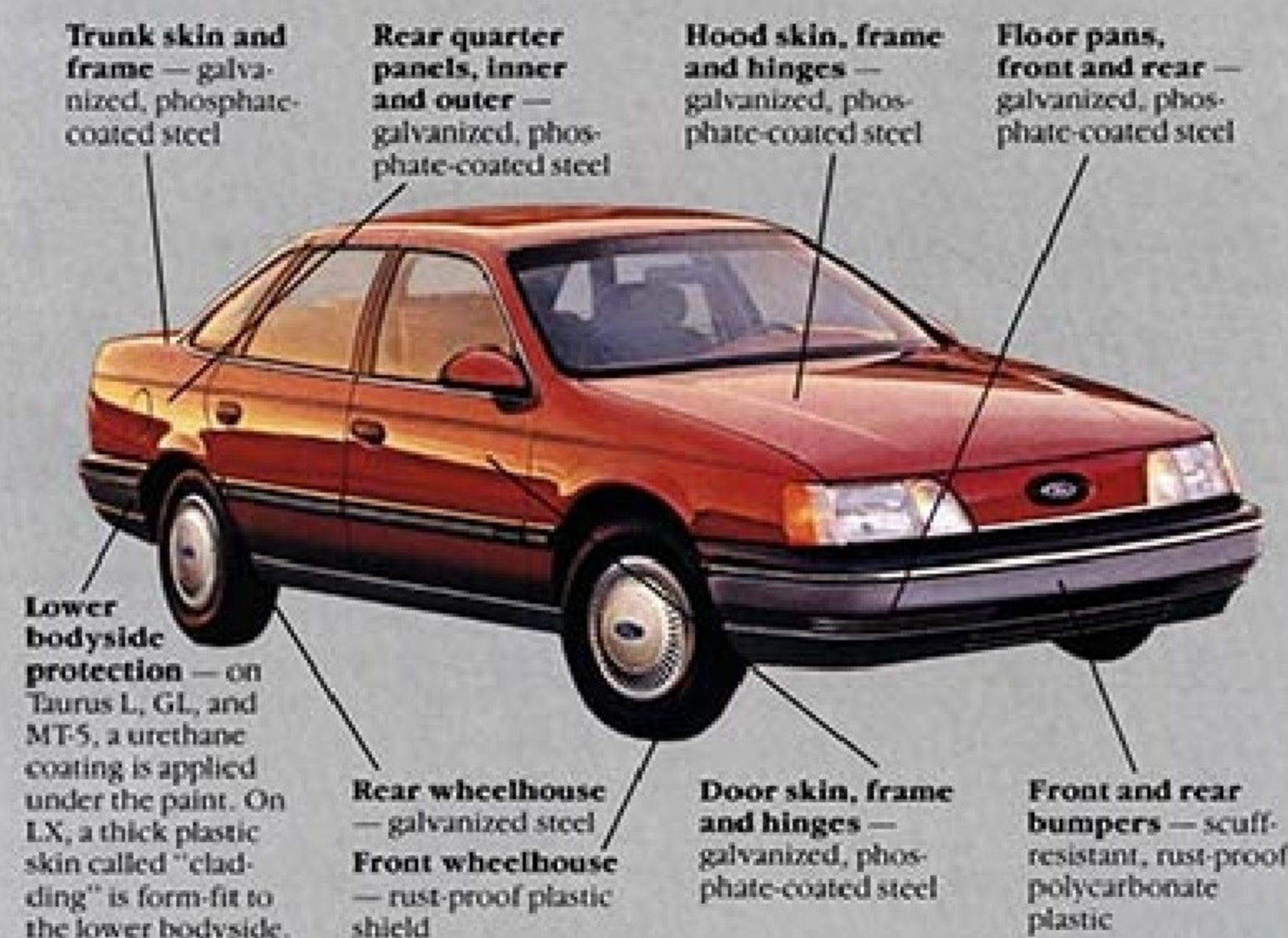
(a) NA on L series or wagon models
*Clearcoat Metallic Paints:
Clearcoat Metallic paint is an extra cost special finish option achieved by applying two coats of highly pigmented low-gloss enamel over the primer. Then, two final "Clear" coats of tough acrylic enamel are applied for a deep, glossy finish.
Some of these paint and trim colors are shown in this catalog. On the printed pages, of course, colors are at best only representative of the originals. Your Ford Dealer can show you actual samples of paint colors and trim materials, as well as Taurus color and trim availability.

Black	Medium Red Clearcoat Metallic
Medium Cabernet	Silver Blue Clearcoat Metallic
Taupe	Medium Aegean Clearcoat Metallic
Spinnaker Blue	Driftwood Clearcoat Metallic
Sand Beige	Dark Taupe Clearcoat Metallic
Oxford White	Dark Shadow Blue Clearcoat Metallic
Silver Clearcoat Metallic	Sandalwood Clearcoat Metallic
Medium Grey Clearcoat Metallic	

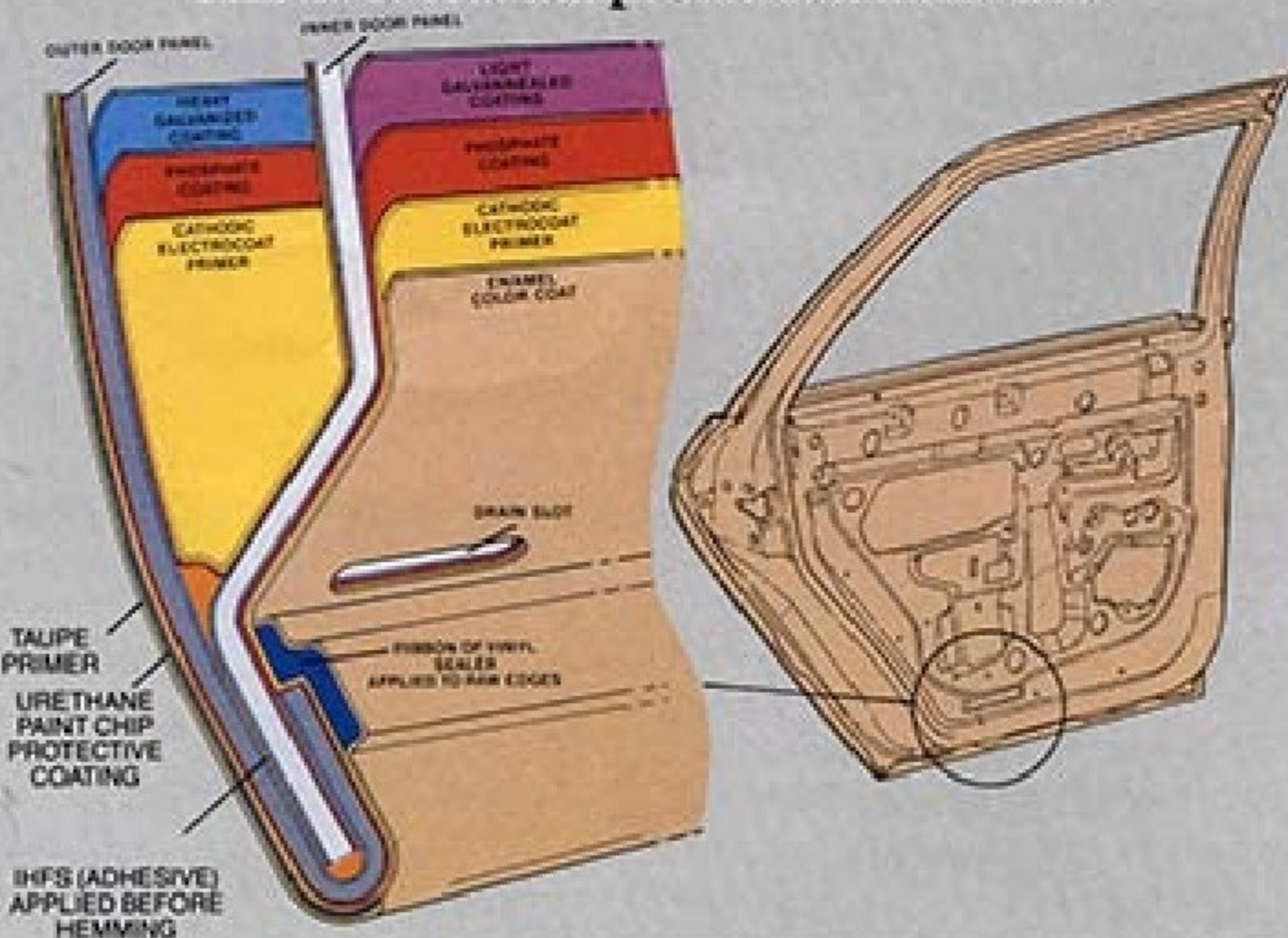
Special quality steps: corrosion protection

All Ford Taurus models undergo extensive anti-corrosion treatments to help extend body life. Major body panels such as hood, trunk and door skins are constructed from galvanized steel then topped with a phosphate coating. Cathodic electrocoat primer and sealers are then applied to form a substantial protective barrier. On Taurus, even the hinges for doors, hood, and wagon liftgate are made of galvanized steel.

In addition, major chassis components on Taurus are either manufactured from pre-galvanized steel, powder epoxy coated, or painted with an anodic or cathodic electrocoat. Some examples of these are: front and rear suspension arms; coil springs; stabilizer bars; and wheels. Nickel-plated terne-coated steel fuel tanks and stainless steel exhaust systems are also examples of the emphasis being given to anti-corrosion.



Taurus corrosion protection measures



Safety and Owner Benefits

The Ford Quality Commitment

The Ford Quality Commitment is built on a basic and simple concept: Integrity. Integrity in the way we build our products, integrity in our dealerships' service and integrity in the treatment of our customers.

Together we can save lives

Ford Motor Company strongly encourages all passengers to use their safety belts.

In all Ford cars, outboard front seat lap and shoulder belts have automatic retractors and comfort regulators. Outboard rear seat positions also have lap belts with retractors.

Ford urges the use of child and infant restraints, as required by law in all states. Ford's easy-to-install Tot-Guard (for children 20 to 50 pounds) and Infant Carrier (for children up to 20 pounds) are available at all Ford Dealers. If a child restraint requires a top-tether, Ford cars provide for attachment of an anchor at each rear outboard seating position, and all three rear seating positions in the case of Taurus.



Ford Lifeguard Design Safety Features

Vehicle operation

- Split service hydraulic brake system with warning light
- Corrosion-resistant brake lines
- Flash-to-pass headlamps □ Turn indicator with lane-changing signal feature
- Hazard warning flasher
- Backup lights □ Parking lights coupled with headlamps
- High-mount stop lamp
- Two-speed or variable speed windshield wipers
- Windshield washers
- Outside

rearview mirror, driver's side

- Glare-reduced instrument panel, windshield wiper arms and windshield pillars
- Uniform transaxle shift quadrant (on all cars equipped with automatic transaxle)
- Continuously variable control illumination intensity (instrument cluster lighting)
- Safety hood latch system
- Responsive windshield defroster system
- Tamper-resistant (non-reversing) odometer
- Speedometer with highlighted 55 mph (on cars with analog speedometer)

Occupant protection

- Safety-designed front end structure
- Safety-designed roof structure
- Steel guard rails in side doors
- Safety-designed door hinges and double yoke safety door latches
- Integral lap and shoulder belts with automatic retractors for outboard occupants of front seats
- Seat belt fastening reminder light and chime for the driver's seat
- Lap belts with retractors for rear seat occupants and optional rear facing third seat in wagons
- Energy-absorbing steering column
- Energy-absorbing armrests and safety-designed door handles
- Energy-absorbing instrument panel with padding
- Energy-absorbing sun visors
- Energy-absorbing front seat back tops
- Head restraints for front outboard occupants
- Safety glove box latch
- Inside yieldaway rearview mirror
- Impact-absorbing laminated safety glass windshield
- Flame-resistant interior materials
- Safety-designed coat hooks
- Safety-designed radio control knobs and push buttons
- Rear door child-proof locks

Anti-theft

- Locking steering column with key reminder chime (with "Park" interlock or push button for key release)
- Visible vehicle identification number

A combination unmatched by any other American manufacturer: the three-year unlimited mileage powertrain warranty

Most powertrain warranties don't cover you for an unlimited number of miles. Those that do don't cover you for a full 3 years. Ours does both. It's a combination unmatched by any other American manufacturer. The warranty covers major powertrain components on 1987 Ford cars. Limited warranty and certain deductibles apply. Ask to see this warranty at your Ford Dealer.

Scheduled Maintenance

Here are some examples of scheduled maintenance intervals for the 1987 Taurus. For complete recommendations, refer to the Maintenance Schedule and Record Log.

Engine oil and filter change	each 7,500 miles or 6 months
Spark plug change	each 30,000 miles
Air filter replacement	each 30,000 miles
Engine coolant replacement	each 30,000 miles or 3 years

Measurements

	Sedan	Wagon
Wheelbase	106"	106"
Length	188.4"	191.9"
Height	54.3"	55.1"
Width	70.6"	70.7"
Tread: front	61.5"	61.6"
Tread: rear	60.5"	59.9"
Trunk/cargo volume index (cu. ft.)	17	81
Fuel capacity (gal.)*	16	16
Curb weight (lb.)	2,863	3,186
Passenger capacity**	6	6

*18.6 with optional extended range tank.
**5 with bucket seats. 8 in wagons with optional rear facing third seat. 7 in wagons with front buckets and optional rear facing third seat.

5-mile-per-hour bumpers

Bumper systems on Ford Taurus are designed to protect lamps, cooling system, exhaust and other body components in the event of a minor impact. While some manufacturers equip their cars with bumpers that

just meet the 2½-mph federal standard, Ford equips the new Taurus and every other car it makes with bumpers designed to absorb impacts of 5-mph.



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