

 **RENAULT**

**LeCar 3-Door · 5-Door**



# Le Car is Europe's best-selling car. Here's why.

Renault Le Car is Europe's fastest selling automobile. Surprised? Then you may not be aware that Renault is a worldwide automotive group employing nearly a quarter of a million people in 27 countries. Or that everything we've learned from our more than eighty years of automobile experience is reflected in Le Car, whose design philosophy is quite simply this: a motor car is not just a collection of parts, but a series of interdependent systems. And the most important element of each system is always the driver.

#### **Front wheel drive is only the beginning.**

Consider the ride. Le Car's roadability begins with the proposition that the wheels which steer the car should also drive it. Front wheel drive and rack-and-pinion steering give Le Car superior traction and maneuverability in every driving situation. The independent torsion bar suspension at all four wheels, combined with an exceptionally long wheelbase, help isolate the driver and passengers from bumps and potholes. Self-adjusting front disc brakes (power assisted on Deluxe) and standard Michelin steel belted radial tires insure safe, straight-line stops and unusual stability in rain, mud, ice or snow.

#### **Fuel efficiency is standard equipment.**

The same thoughtfulness that makes Le Car road worthy also makes it efficient. Le Car's aggressive 1.4 liter 4-cylinder engine and fully synchronized 4-speed manual transmission offer steady acceleration and instantaneous pick-up power — without sacrificing fuel efficiency. EPA estimated mpg is 32, while its highway estimate is 40.\*

#### **Some comforting thoughts on the subject of design.**

Central to Le Car's concept is driver comfort. The seats have been bio-mechanically designed with different padding in the backs and cushions. Their differing compression characteristics allow the seats to conform to the human body, reducing driver and passenger fatigue. Standard grained vinyl bucket seats on the 3-door lift and tilt forward for easy rear seat access. And handsome, fully reclining cloth seats are standard on Deluxe models.

The new Sport Package features a sport steering wheel, tachometer, bio-formed reclining seats in gray check fabric, fog lights and custom stripes. Other options include air conditioning, a giant sun roof to bring the outdoors in, an AM/FM/cassette stereo radio, and more.

#### **The better we build our cars, the better we can back our cars.**

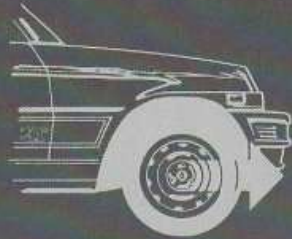
Best of all, a new Renault Le Car is now backed by the American Motors Buyer Protection Plan with the only *full* 12 month/12,000 mile warranty that, except for tires, covers every part of every car we sell in the United States.

At Renault, we sell more cars than anyone else in Europe. And American Motors has more small car experience than anyone else in America. Together, we're able to sell and service our cars at more locations nation-wide than any other import. And we're able to back our cars more completely than any one else in the world. Which is the most comforting thought of all.

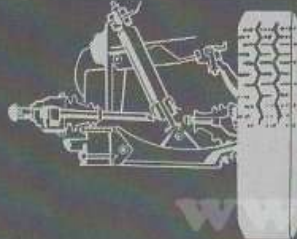
 **RENAULT**

*Where great engineering lives in great design*

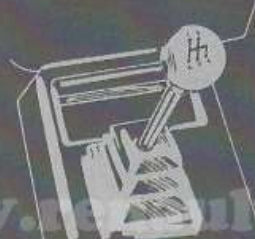
Front Wheel Drive



Fully Independent Suspension



4-Speed Manual Transmission



Michelin Steel Belted Radials



[www.renault-5.net](http://www.renault-5.net)

[www.renault-5.net](http://www.renault-5.net)

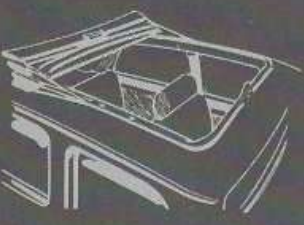
[www.renault-5.net](http://www.renault-5.net)



[www.renault-5.net](http://www.renault-5.net)

\* California estimated mpg 29, highway estimate 40. Use these figures for comparison. Your mileage will vary. Actual highway mileage will probably be lower.

Sun Roof



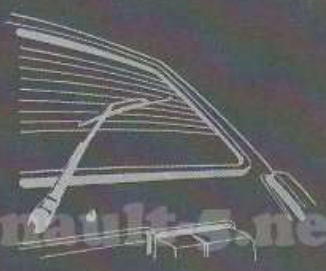
Air Conditioning



AM/FM Stereo Radio



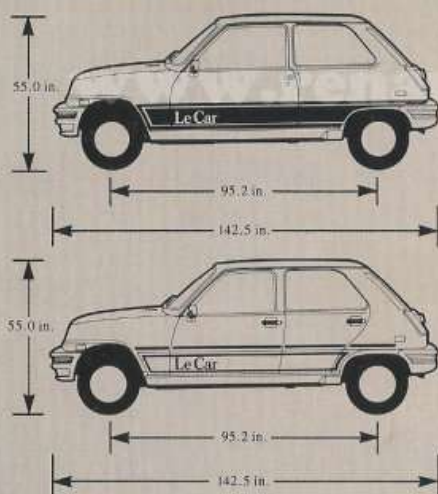
Rear Window Washer/Wiper





## TECHNICAL DATA

### MODELS, DIMENSIONS, CAPACITIES



Renault Le Car is available in a 3-door and 5-door hatchback bodystyle. The 3-door Le Car may be ordered in either a Base or Deluxe model while the 5-door is only available in the Deluxe version.

Wheelbase: 95.2 in. (2419 mm)  
 Length: 142.5 in. (3621 mm)  
 Width: 60.0 in. (1525 mm)  
 Height: 55.0 in. (1398 mm)  
 Luggage capacity (seat up): 9.1 cu. ft.  
 Luggage capacity (seat down): 31.5 cu. ft.  
 Fuel capacity: 10.0 U.S. gallons (38 liters)  
 Curb weight (3-door): 1820 lbs. (826 kg)  
 Curb weight (5-door): 1865 lbs. (846 kg)

### SPECIFICATIONS

Engine: 1.4 liter, 85.25 CID (1397 cc) cast iron block, aluminum head, overhead valve, 4-cylinder in line  
 Compression ratio: 8.8:1  
 Electrical system: 12 volt, negative ground  
 Battery: 45 amp. hrs./alternator  
 Ignition: Breakerless electronic  
 Drivetrain: Front wheel drive  
 Transmission: Fully synchronized 4-speed manual  
 Final drive ratio: 3.63:1  
 Chassis: Unitized monocoque body with undercoating and rust-resistant coating  
 Suspension, front: Independent, unequal length control arms, torsion bars, double-acting hydraulic telescopic shocks, stabilizer bar  
 Suspension, rear: Independent, pure trailing arms, torsion bars, double-acting hydraulic telescopic shock absorbers, stabilizer bar  
 Steering: Rack-and-pinion; 21.75:1 ratio  
 Turning circle: 32.0 ft. (9.74 m) curb to curb  
 Brakes: Self-adjusting front disc brakes; rear drum brakes with load sensitive pressure limiting valve. Le Car Deluxe features Bendix vacuum power booster, dual hydraulic front disc brakes  
 Emission controls: Conventional oxidizing catalytic converter (49 States); three-way catalytic converter (California); exhaust gas recirculating system; fuel return line; fuel tank vapor emission control system; secondary air system; positive crankcase ventilation  
 Tires: 145SR x 13 Michelin steel belted radials

### EQUIPMENT

Additional standard features on Le Car Base and Deluxe models include:

- Thermostatically controlled electric engine cooling fan
- Rear window defogger
- New

column-mounted controls: 2-speed wipers, washers, "single sweep" wipers, lights, horn and turn indicators  "Tilt-away" bucket seats in grained vinyl (3-door only)  Flow-through ventilation  Side window defoggers  Unitized monocoque body/chassis construction  Fold down rear seat  Radio console and mini console  Undercoating  Rust-resistant coating  Black rally stripes with integral "Le Car" name  And more

### Le Car Deluxe also features:

- Power front disc/rear drum brakes
- Extra quiet insulation package
- Reclining bucket seats in cloth or grained vinyl upholstery
- Swing-out quarter windows
- Full carpeting
- Removable carpeted rear parcel shelf
- Soft feel steering wheel
- Cigar lighter
- Bodyside scuff moldings (N/A with Sport Package)
- Deluxe chrome wheel trim rings
- Deluxe rally stripes
- And more

### 1982 EPA MILEAGE DATA\*

Le Car 3-door	EST. MPG	HWY. EST.	COMB. EST.
Le Car 5-door	32	40	35
49 States	29	40	33
California			

\*Remember: Compare this estimate with estimated mpg for other cars. Your actual mileage may differ depending on speed, trip length and weather. Your highway mileage will probably be lower.

### OPTIONS AND ACCESSORIES

Specific option ordering groups have been set up to expedite your new car order. See your Renault dealer for details on availability of factory installed options as well as dealer installed parts and accessories for your Renault vehicle.

### COLORS

- Beige metallic clearcoat
- White
- Dark Blue metallic clearcoat
- Silver metallic clearcoat
- Black clearcoat (Sport Package only)
- Red
- Dark Green metallic clearcoat

### AMERICAN MOTORS BUYER PROTECTION PLAN\* FOR RENAULT VEHICLES

In addition to new car warranties and available service plans, new Renault vehicles are now backed by the exclusive American Motors Buyer Protection Plan. Highlights of these warranties and plans follow. For complete details see your authorized Renault dealer.

\*Buyer Protection Plan is a registered trademark of American Motors Corporation.

### Full Warranty Coverage

New Renault vehicles are protected against defects in material or workmanship under normal use and service by a Full 12-Month/12,000 Mile (20,000 km) Warranty covering many items not covered by most automobile warranties.

### Service Adjustments

Any needed service adjustments not a part of normal scheduled maintenance will be performed without charge during the first 12 months or 12,000 miles (20,000 km).

Warranty Service for Owners Who Move or Travel  
 Warranty Service will be performed by any authorized Renault dealer in the U.S. or Canada.

### Warranty Coverage for Subsequent Owners

Subsequent owners are eligible for any unused portion of the new vehicle warranty.

### Tire Policy

Tires are covered by a separate warranty provided by the tire manufacturer.

### New Vehicle Pre-Delivery Inspection

Prior to delivery, every new Renault vehicle has been serviced and tested for handling, braking and overall performance in accordance with the Renault Pre-Delivery Inspection Checklist.

### Loaner Car Service

If warranty repairs require keeping the vehicle overnight, the servicing Renault dealer will provide a free loaner car subject to terms and conditions in the Warranty and Maintenance Guide.

### Trip Interruption Protection

If warranty repairs are required while traveling 100 miles (160 km) or more from home, and "same day" repairs cannot be performed by the servicing Renault dealer, the owner will be reimbursed for extra lodging and meal costs up to \$150.

### Towing Coverage

If the Renault vehicle needs warranty repairs and cannot be driven, the owner will be reimbursed up to \$25 to have it towed to the nearest authorized Renault dealer subject to terms and conditions in the Warranty and Maintenance Guide.

### RENAULT POWERTRAIN PROTECTION LIMITED WARRANTY

In addition to the Full 12-Month/12,000 Mile (20,000 km) Warranty, specific powertrain components of new Renault vehicles are covered for the earlier of 24 months or 24,000 miles (40,000 km) against defects in material or workmanship. The vehicle owner must pay for the first \$100 of each valid warranty claim.

### RENAULT PERFORATION FROM CORROSION LIMITED WARRANTY

Any original equipment part or component installed in a new Renault vehicle (except exhaust components) that proves to have developed perforation from corrosion within 3 years from date of delivery or first use, will be repaired or replaced at no charge.

### SERVICE SECURITY PLAN FOR RENAULT VEHICLES

An optional Service Security Plan offering additional comprehensive service protection is available from participating Renault dealers. Features include:

- Extended coverage up to 36 months or 50,000 miles (80,000 km)
- Car rental assistance
- Towing reimbursement
- Trip interruption protection
- Transferable clause
- Deductible clause.

Certain equipment items and features illustrated or described in this catalog are optional at extra cost unless otherwise specified. Certain equipment items and features may not be available for all models. This catalog contains information that is correct at time of printing, however, Renault reserves the right to discontinue or change specifications, models, equipment or prices at any time without incurring obligation.

Form No. 5210/9-81

Litho in U.S.A.

**RENAULT**  
 American Motors