

Renault Le Car



First things first.

In order to fully appreciate Renault Le Car, let's state the obvious first so that we can get on with the things that separate it from every other car in its class.

Yes...it does carry one of the lowest sticker prices in America.

Yes...it is extremely efficient* with EPA estimates that are bound to increase your smiles per mile.

Those are certainly important buying considerations...if you're simply looking for transportation.

Le Car gives you economy and then some...

Renault Le Car simply doesn't belong when you compare it with the look-alike, act-alike boxes we courteously refer to as economy cars.

Le Car looks like no other car in the world. It stands on steel belted Michelins at the four corners and seems to lean into the road. Bold black bumpers and sporty body-side graphics further suggest that this sub 12-footer (parking is a breeze) has a sprightly side all its own.

It's more than just a suggestion. Le Car's snappy 1.4 litre 4-cylinder engine teams up with a close-ratio, floor-mounted 4-speed and famous Renault front-wheel drive to let you step out smartly.

Rack & pinion steering and independent four-wheel torsion bar suspension provide a feel for the road uncommon in a car this size.

...Sporty performance and then some.

Before you get the impression that Le Car belongs on the road race circuit, let's move on to some of the other attributes that make it so much fun to own and drive.

There's big space for four adults. And big room to haul things you load through a huge rear hatch.

And let's not forget big choice. There's the remarkably well equipped base 2-door, a smartly appointed Deluxe 2-door and a comfortable and convenient Deluxe 4-door. For the enthusiast there's even an available Sports Package (illustrated on facing page).

The Le Car inner space program.

Renault Le Car's generous interior proportions and layout were intelligently conceived.

Because of unibody construction and the positioning of the engine and front drive componentry there's truly roomy accommodations for driver, three passengers and gear.

And each Le Car offers a pleasingly high trim level, with handsome easy-care vinyl trimmed front buckets and rear bench on base model, luxurious cloth upholstery on Deluxe models, and a sporty check fabric included in the Le Car Sports Package. "Smart" stalks on the steering column allow finger tip control of important functions. And gauges and warning lights are arrayed in a read-at-a-glance manner.

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Out to prove that economy can be fun.

A final word about Le Car's remarkable heritage.

The fun-to-drive Le Car is made by Renault the world's leading producer of front-wheel drive cars, and a company with a long and illustrious reputation in the exotic world of motorsport racing. In that light, Le Car's high level of engineering sophistication, unique aerodynamics, sporty feel and lively performance are not surprising.

EPA Mileage Data*

Le Car 2-door and 4-door	EST MPG	HWY EST	COMB EST
49 States	33	45	37
California	29	40	33

*Remember: Compare these estimates 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.



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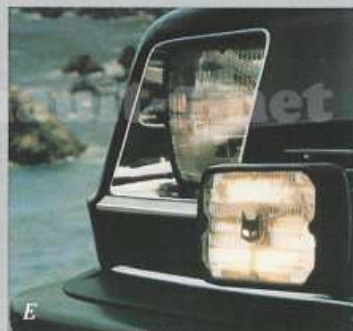
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Cover: Le Car 4-door Deluxe. A: Le Car 2-door Deluxe shown with sun roof, ski rack B through G: Le Car Sports Package including custom sport striping, "performance" check fabric trimmed buckets, Sport gear shift knob and boot, fog lights, styled aluminum wheels, sports steering wheel and electric tachometer. H: Le Car Deluxe instrument panel with available air conditioning and AM/FM stereo radio. I: Swing out rear quarter windows on 2-door Deluxe models. J: Standard buckets tilt forward. (2-dr. only.)

Renault Le Car Specifications



Models:

Renault Le Car is available in a 2-door and 4-door hatchback bodystyle. The 2-door Le Car may be ordered in either a Base or Deluxe model while the 4-door is only available in the Deluxe version.

Dimensions:

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.

Rear hatch opening: width 41.7 in., height 31.5 in.

Fuel capacity: 10.0 U.S. gallons (38 liters)

Curb weight (2-door): 1799 lbs. (815 kg)

Curb weight (4-door): 1868 lbs. (847 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 50 amp

Ignition System: Breakerless electronic

Drivetrain: Front wheel drive

Transmission: Fully synchronized 4-speed manual

Final drive ratio: 3.10:1

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

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 recirculation 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:

Thermostatically controlled electric engine cooling fan Rear window defogger
 Column-mounted controls: 2-speed wipers, washers, "single sweep" wipers, lights, horn and turn indicators "Tilt away" vinyl bucket seats (2-door only) Flow-through ventilation
 Side window defoggers Unitized

monocoque body/chassis construction Fold down rear seat Radio console and mini-console
 Under coating Rust-resistant coating Black rally stripes with integral "Le Car" name

Le Car Deluxe 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 Body-side scuff moldings (N/A with Sport Package)
 Deluxe chrome wheel trim rings
 Deluxe rally stripes

Le Car Options

Air conditioning* Sun roof Tinted glass
 Rear wiper/washer* AM/FM stereo radio*
 AM/FM Stereo Cassette* Protective floor mats*

Sports Package

(Deluxe 2-dr. only): Bio-formed reclining front bucket seats; Sports steering wheel; Sport gear shift knob; Tachometer; Fog lights; Custom striping; Aluminum wheels

*Deluxe models only

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 Le Car

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Full 12 Month/12,000 Mile 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 subject to terms and conditions in the Warranty and Maintenance Guide.

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

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