



MERCURY TOPAZ

'86



1986 Mercury Topaz has a shape that says something important. It says, 'Smart'

Smart because its styling is expressed in flowing, fluid yet functional lines. Smart because its performance is delivered through technologically advanced features that permeate Topaz.

Topaz expresses functional beauty in an intelligent shape created not just for style, but for handling and maneuverability as well. Topaz's attractive shape actually helps the car hug the highway.

The efficient airflow around Topaz is achieved by softly rounded edges, aircraft-inspired doors, a sloped grille and a windshield and rear window that are slanted nearly 60 degrees.

And consider that this is an aerodynamic shape that can carry five people and nearly 13 cubic feet of luggage, according to 1986 MVMA Passenger Car Specifications.

For 1986, Topaz improves its profile with a more aerodynamic front end, new aero headlamps and dual-power outside rearview mirrors on all models.

Topaz's efficient form provides a drag coefficient rating of just 0.36 for the four-door model.

One look beneath this page at the 1986 Mercury Topaz LS four-door model in Black shows the sleek styling of Topaz.

Of course, Topaz's intelligence extends well beyond its appearance. Topaz has front-wheel drive to provide added traction for driving on snowy, muddy or wet roads.

The fully independent suspension

on the Mercury Topaz helps deliver a consistently smooth ride while maintaining nimble handling.

The Mercury Topaz, in fact, is one of the few compact cars that uses a fully independent suspension.

With MacPherson struts and a parallel four-bar rear suspension, each wheel on Topaz is able to absorb road imperfections with minimal effect on the other wheels.

Also contributing to the smooth ride and handling of the 1986 Mercury Topaz are new 14-inch wheels and all-season steel-belted radial tires that are larger and wider for 1986.

Topaz also comes equipped with standard power-assisted front disc and rear drum brakes to provide sure stopping power. Standard power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering on all Topaz models helps deliver precise handling.

And the efficient 2.3-liter overhead valve four-cylinder engine on Topaz provides both performance and economy in good measures.*

Indeed, Mercury Topaz is a very smart car. But then, Topaz comes from a very smart family. Mercury automobiles don't rely on style alone; they are designed for functional value. And because of this, every car in the Mercury line—the all-new Sable, the Cougar, Lynx, Capri, Marquis and Grand Marquis—is based on solid engineering and quality.

Mercury cars, in fact, are among the highest quality American automobiles.**

That's smart.

And smart certainly applies to Topaz. It also applies to the driver who's savvy enough to select a Topaz to enhance his or her contemporary life-style.

*See EPA statement on page 22.

**Based on an average of owner-reported problems in the prior six months in a 1985 survey of '81-'84 models designed and built in the United States.





Outside and inside, Topaz holds its own. Topaz is designed to hold your family as well as it holds the road.

The Topaz LS interior was intelligently designed to conform to your shape—to your needs. It doesn't expect you to conform to it.

Topaz was designed to accommodate a family of five in comfort. All Topaz models come equipped with fully reclining low-back front seats complete with four-way adjustable head restraints that are new for 1986.

The rear seats of Topaz received important consideration, too. To help deliver added rear-seat leg room, the front seatbacks were specially designed in Topaz.

And four-door Topaz models have child-proof rear door locks.

The seat fabric and door trim have been upgraded on all 1986 Topaz LS models. And increased sound insulation, in conjunction with the aerodynamic exterior of Topaz, helps deliver a quiet ride.

Topaz LS, shown here with a Sand Beige leather interior, has added improvements for 1986 with a wood-grain instrument cluster appliqué, 18-ounce carpeting and color-keyed luggage compartment trim.

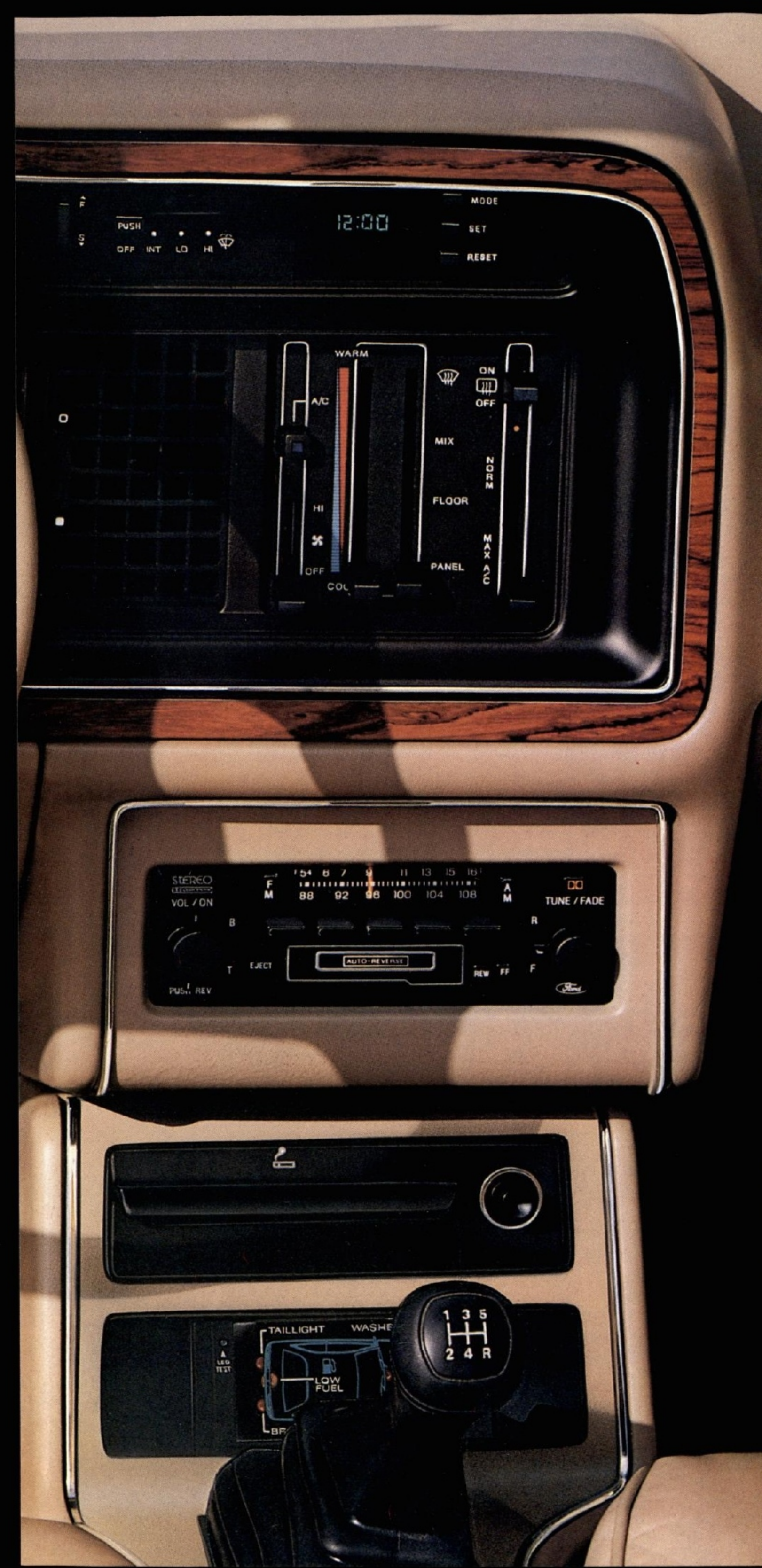
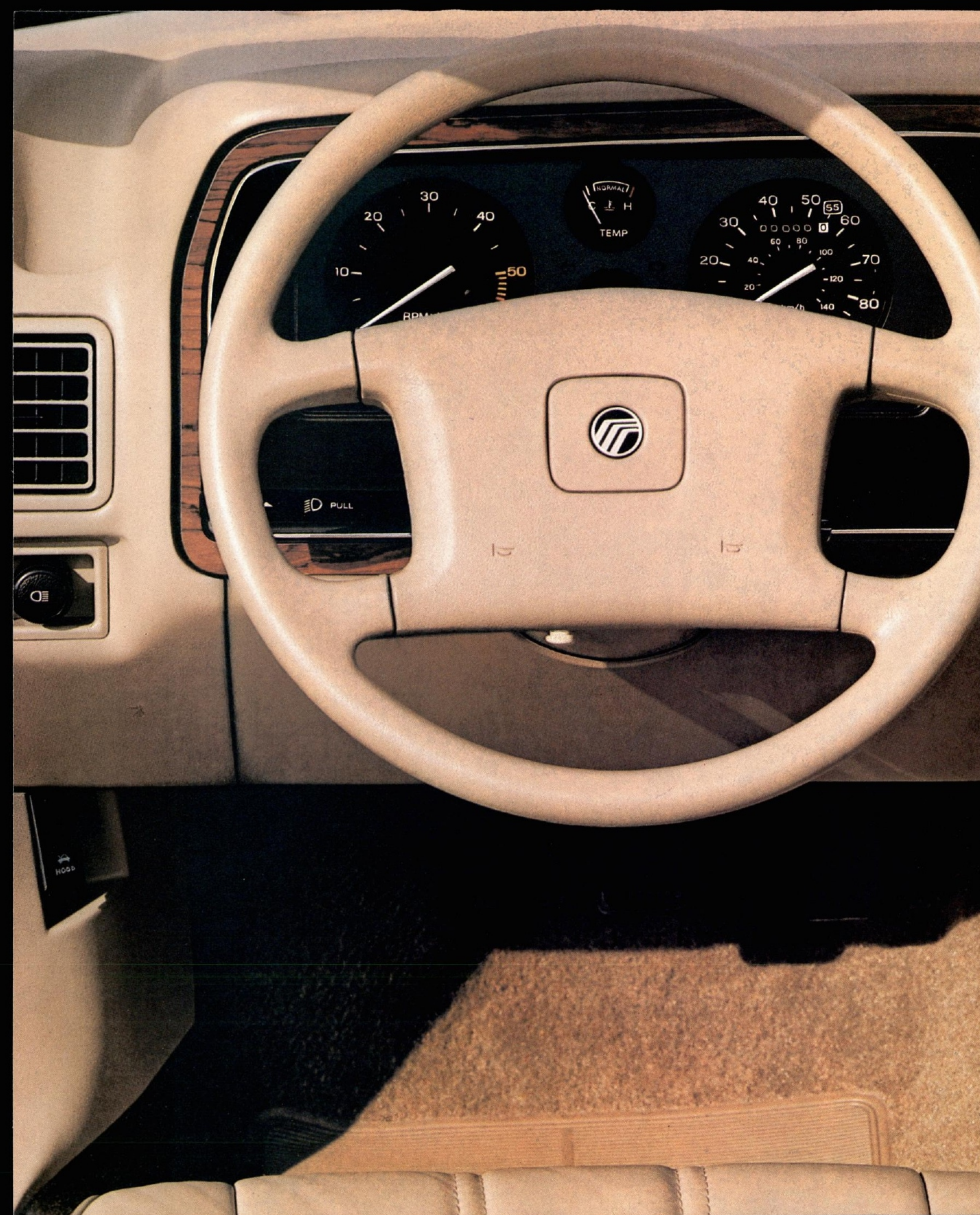
Topaz LS also includes power windows and power door locks, a tilt steering wheel, interval windshield wipers, an AM/FM stereo radio with cassette player,* more luxurious seat and door trim, a full console, a front-seat center armrest, illuminated entry system and dual-lighted visor vanity mirrors.

With space, comfort and style, the Topaz interior appeals to people of discernment.

*May be deleted for credit.

Topaz LS interior in Sand Beige leather. Some features shown may be optional. See option list on page 21.





The driver's seat of Topaz is a great position to be in. When you're behind the wheel of a Topaz, you're at the center of things—the control center.

Ergonomics, technically speaking, is the study of the relationship between human beings and machines. What that really means as it applies to automobiles is how you feel in your car—how you interact with it. Ergonomics is concerned with positioning things where they can most easily be reached and seen by the driver.

In the Topaz interior, ergonomics starts with a seat that places the driver in the right position, at the right height to reach the controls and to read the gauges. The driver and the car become a unit.

In Topaz, the controls are so close at hand they seem part of you. They're strategically located and well-illuminated.

The new four-spoke steering wheel allows the driver to fully scan the instrument pod behind it, as shown on the instrument panel at left in a Sand Beige Topaz LS leather interior. With great attention to every detail, the panel incorporates an attractive dark gray brushed instrument-cluster cover and includes demisters, which help keep the side windows clear of condensation.

Topaz instrumentation includes clear white-on-black analog gauges with contrasting orange indicator needles so they are easy to interpret with a quick glance.

Speedometer, trip odometer, tachometer, temperature gauge and ammeter are standard on all Topaz models.

Steering column-mounted stalks are used to control the headlamp dimmer, flash-to-pass feature and turn signals. These vital operations can be activated without having to fully remove your hands from the steering wheel.

Controls for the heating, ventilation, and optional air conditioning are placed within the driver's reach—but away from the main instruments to avoid confusion.

Even the placement of optional equipment in Topaz was dictated by logic. The optional speed control, for instance, is activated from push buttons mounted right on the steering wheel.

In a Topaz, the driving world is at your fingertips—awaiting your command.

Topaz LS instrument panel in Sand Beige. Some features shown may be optional. See option list on page 21.



Topaz GS two-door with GS Sport Group option in Smoke Metallic Clearcoat. Some features shown may be optional. See option list on page 21.

Some people like to take everything to the ultimate. They harbor an adventurous spirit that compels them to outperform everything average.

Mercury Topaz with the GS Sport Group belongs to them.

When you add the GS Sport Group option offered on two-door and four-door GS models, you further enhance Topaz's already aggressive styling and nimble handling.

Dark Smoke window moldings and red bumper and bodyside molding accents visually set off the Topaz GS Sport and hint at the performance within.

The GS Sport Group adds 185/65R365 Michelin TRX black sidewall tires mounted on TR-type cast-aluminum performance wheels with locking lug nuts and special suspension handling components for improved road-gripping ability.

The Topaz GS Sport also features a performance version of the Topaz engine, the 2.3-liter HSO EFI (High Specific Output/Electronic Fuel Injection).

A revised intake manifold and larger fuel injector and cylinder head along with combustion chamber modifications give this engine approximately 16% more horsepower than the standard Topaz powerplant.

Other components also were modified to aid engine performance. The air cleaner was revised to improve airflow, and the camshaft has increased lift and valve overlap. And to improve the engine's appearance, a new styled cast-aluminum rocker cover has been added.

The increased power in the Topaz GS with Sport Option is routed to the front wheels through a numerically higher final-drive gear ratio which further improves performance. While the standard Topaz final-drive ratio is 3.33:1, the GS Sport version is elevated to 3.73:1.

1986 Mercury Topaz with the GS Sport Group option—a car that fully realizes its potential.



The decidedly sporty image of the Mercury Topaz GS with Sport Option continues through to the inside as well.

The interior of the 1986 Mercury Topaz GS equipped with the Sport Option gets some very special attention, just as its exterior and engine do.

This begins with specially designed front sport bucket seats with a tasteful sew style and fabric restricted solely to the Topaz GS with Sport Option.

The seats have a distinctive-colored piping to further set them apart from the standard Topaz seats, and they are contoured to fit the human form while supplying support to help cradle the driver and front seat passenger during hard cornering maneuvers.

In the rear passenger quarters, the Topaz GS with Sport Option offers integrated four-way adjustable headrests that are not available on other Topaz models.

Even the ergonomically designed instrument panel on the Topaz GS with Sport Option helps set it apart. Red piping around the main instrument pod brightens up its appearance and complements the efficient interior design.

Further contributing to the sporty, aggressive appearance are a black steering column and a black, leather-wrapped steering wheel.

And the Topaz GS with Sport Option also is standard-equipped with a graphic display alert module, located on the full console, which informs the driver when fuel is low, when windshield washer fluid is low or when a headlamp or taillamp is burned out.

The 1986 Mercury Topaz GS with Sport Option. Designed for those who want the look and feel of a performance automobile.

Topaz GS interior in Smoke with GS Sport Group option. Some features shown may be optional. See option list on page 21.

Topaz GS four-door in Sand Beige Metallic Clearcoat. Some features shown may be optional. See option list on page 21.

Topaz is a car that personalizes technology and makes it work for you.

Topaz provides fuel economy as well as performance because its engineers developed the 2300 High Swirl Combustion four-cylinder engine standard in the 1986 Mercury Topaz to deliver both.

This powerplant combines the latest breakthroughs in internal-combustion design with the accuracy of micro-processor technology and the efficiency of fuel injection.

The result is a 2.3-liter engine which provides efficient power and which also has a frugal attitude toward the consumption of fuel.*

The heart of this engine resides in its "fast-burn" combustion chambers. These wedge-shaped chambers, and a specially designed induction system, cause the incoming air/fuel mixture to burn quickly and efficiently. Fuel is metered precisely by the engine's electronic fuel-injection system.

The power of the 2300 HSC engine is transferred to Topaz's front wheels through a standard five-speed overdrive manual transaxle or an optional

three-speed automatic transaxle.

For even greater fuel economy, Topaz can be equipped with an optional 2.0-liter four-cylinder diesel engine. This overhead cam engine, matched to a standard five-speed transaxle, offers good performance and impressive fuel economy.*

Designed from the drawing board as a diesel engine, this advanced powerplant uses a special glow plug system that provides an approximate three-second wait-to-start capability, even if the temperature drops below freezing. An afterglow feature on the Topaz diesel reduces cold-start smoke and promotes

smooth running during warm-up.

And the Topaz diesel carries efficiency one step further with a sophisticated filtration system that helps keep water and other contaminants out of the engine.

Applying technology for your personal advancement—that's what Topaz's refined powerplants are all about.

* See EPA statement on page 22. Topaz diesel not available in California.





Topaz GS interior in Sand Beige. Some features shown may be optional. See option list on page 21.

Fashion-wise and feature-wise, Mercury Topaz has a smart interior.

Intelligently conceived and executed, the interior of the Mercury Topaz blends comfort with convenience to elevate the pleasure of driving.

Both driver and passengers can enjoy a feeling of relaxed well-being in Topaz, as evidenced by the Sand Beige GS interior shown at left.

The impressive standard equipment list on Topaz GS includes fully reclining cloth-covered seats, soft door-trim panels that have been upgraded for 1986 and that include handy storage bins, a locking glove box, an instrument panel storage shelf, an AM/FM stereo radio*, power steering, power brakes and much more.

And to add further luxurious touches to the already well-equipped Topaz GS, it can be ordered with an optional Comfort/Convenience Package that includes such functional appointments as a tilt steering wheel, rear-window defroster, interval windshield wipers, digital clock, locking fuel-filler door with remote-control release and remote-control decklid release. This package also adds an AM/FM stereo cassette radio* and a convenience lighting group.

Topaz GS can be ordered with additional amenities to enhance its form and function, such as air conditioning, power driver's seat, speed control or clearcoat paint.

Whichever Topaz model you order, whatever options you include to enhance your own personality in Topaz, you can be sure that the Mercury quality is standard.

Fine craftsmanship and advanced, functional styling are fashionable features the Mercury Topaz delivers without being asked.

If you want to get technical...take a look at the facts that back up our engineering, quality and safety commitments.

We've made no empty promises for Topaz and our other Mercury cars. Instead we have made a strong investment in Topaz.

And Topaz is worth every bit of it. Its sleek and aerodynamically tuned sheet-metal lines conceal a well-designed, well-engineered form.

Topaz features unitized body construction. This design combines the car's body and frame in a unified structure to achieve strength in a weight- and space-efficient car.

The sweeping lines that make Topaz so pleasing to the eye stay that way longer because of numerous measures to prevent corrosion. Barriers to rust and corrosion are applied to critical body panels even before they are pressed into shape.

Each body is bathed in a phosphate solution before primer is applied. The primer is drawn like a magnet to the body's surface through a special electrically charged paint process.

Then, four coats of protective acrylic enamel are applied and baked on.

To ward off flying stone chips, a tough urethane coating is sprayed onto the lower body panels of each car.

Topaz has damage-resistant bumpers designed to protect vital operating systems in a 5-mph barrier impact—four times the energy absorption required by law.

Special attention was paid to the elimination of unwanted noise, vibration and harshness.

Techniques to suppress these undesirable characteristics include a standard deluxe sound-insulation package, plus a process called tire/wheel indexing which matches high and low points of tires and wheels for increased ride smoothness.

Topaz was subjected to rigorous testing throughout its development. Roofs and doors were crushed, bodies vibrated, bumpers impacted. Parts and systems were exposed to the use—and abuse—they would receive during years of demanding ownership.

Aluminum and various plastic materials were used wherever advantageous. Aluminum parts are lightweight, have good heat-transference (cooling) properties and resist atmospheric corrosion.

Plastic's strength-to-weight ratio makes it ideal for numerous applications. These materials are used because

they result in genuine consumer benefits. They make the car stand up to the harsh realities of day-to-day driving. This relates to product integrity and built-in quality in a very positive way.

And Topaz bodies are monitored at every step of the assembly process to assure that built-in quality. Sophisticated electronic gauges help assure the precision fit of Topaz's body panels.

Intelligent engineering sometimes means simple and ingenious solutions to seemingly complex problems.

Take, for instance, Topaz's windshield washers. Hidden inside the tiny spray nozzles are cavities and passages which use the science of fluidics to fan the spray across the windshield numerous times each second. The nozzles use absolutely no moving parts, so there are no moving parts to break or wear out.

While Topaz has utilized simplicity wherever possible, its electronic technology is extremely sophisticated.

A system called Electronic Engine Control, or EEC-IV, is the brain of Topaz's engine. EEC-IV "thinks" at the rate of

more than 250,000 commands per second.

In Topaz, EEC-IV senses and/or controls engine speed, coolant temperature, air/fuel ratio, intake-manifold pressure, spark timing and throttle position.

EEC-IV's advanced microprocessor technology also controls the exhaust gas recirculation system to help provide clean air. It will momentarily shut down the air-conditioning compressor to divert power when you need maximum acceleration such as when passing another car on the highway or when climbing a steep hill.

EEC-IV even has a memory that stores vital operation information and will gradually adjust for optimum performance as the engine grows older.

EEC-IV—efficient from start to finish.

Topaz is a nice shape in which to put your loved ones.

It incorporates occupant protection—systems which help protect driver and passengers during an accident—and operating safety—systems which help the driver avoid an accident in the first place.

For occupant protection, Topaz's structure has front and rear "crush" zones. This means that the structure collapses in an orderly, predictable manner, absorbing some of the impact energy and reducing some of the forces that otherwise might be transferred to the passenger compartment.

Topaz's doors are of strong double-panel welded construction. Inside each door is a high-strength steel beam which enables the doors to withstand a test load that is twice as great as Topaz's weight.

Safety door latches are of a double-yoke design for secure closing.

Four-door Topaz models have new child-proof rear-door locks for an extra

measure of safety. The inside rear-door handles can be deactivated to eliminate the possibility of an accidental opening by a child riding in the rear seat. The doors can still be opened from the outside.

Inside Topaz, energy-absorbing materials are used in the instrument-panel top, steering wheel, doors, center console, seatbacks, head restraints, sun visors and armrest.

Operating safety entails a high degree of driver involvement—effective braking, precise steering and confident road handling.

The seat belt is a valuable safety device, and its use is now mandatory in many states. Topaz has front seat integral lap and shoulder belts and three rear-seat lap belts. Front seat belts have automatic retractors and tension relievers for added comfort.

Proper use of child-restraint systems is important. In fact, almost every state now requires use of these injury-reducing and life-saving devices. Ford Motor Company's Tot-Guard Child Safety Seat and Infant Carrier are designed to meet or exceed all applicable federal standards.

Regular use of both seat belts and child restraints is urged—whether you're

driving around the block or across the country.

Customer satisfaction also is a top priority of Mercury cars, and it shows.

One of the key ways Mercury cars deliver customer satisfaction is through product quality.

Mercury automobiles are among the best-built American cars, according to an average of owner reported problems in the prior six months in a 1985 survey of '81-'84 models designed and built in the U.S.

Customer satisfaction with Mercury cars is attributable to the products' quality, to the personalized attention given by the sales and service staffs at Mercury dealerships and to the firm commitment made to integrity.

To demonstrate the sincerity of this commitment to quality, a new program called the Lincoln-Mercury Quality Commitment Program has been implemented.

The goal of the Lincoln-Mercury Quality Commitment Program is to achieve industry leadership in customer satisfaction. We want our customers to be the happiest, most pleased in the entire industry.

An integral part of the Lincoln-Mercury Quality Commitment is the extensive limited warranty that is given with every Mercury car. Ask your Lincoln-Mercury dealer for a copy of the warranty and take time to read it.

Additionally, through a direct mail program which corresponds directly with Mercury car owners, we occasionally ask our customers to voice their opinions on our quality and their delivery satisfaction. In this way, we are better able to provide the customer satisfaction that has made Mercury a leader in its field.



Standard and optional features

Topaz GS Selected Standard Functional Features

- Front-wheel drive
- 2.3-liter HSC (High Swirl Combustion) four-cylinder engine with electronic fuel injection
- EEC-IV engine controls
- Five-speed manual transaxle with self-adjusting clutch
- Independent MacPherson strut front suspension with stabilizer bar
- Parallel four-link fully independent rear suspension
- Power front disc/rear drum brakes
- Power rack-and-pinion steering
- Power flow-thru ventilation
- Fluidic windshield washers
- Electrostatic paint process
- Lower bodyside protection
- P185/70R14 black sidewall, all-season steel-belted radial tires with full wheel covers (first wheel on opposite page)
- High-visibility yellow-highlighted components for under-hood service points including the power steering and engine oil dipsticks and filler caps for engine oil, the radiator coolant recovery system and the windshield washer fluid reservoir
- 15.4-gallon fuel tank with tethered fuel cap
- 5-mph impact bumpers

Selected Standard Interior Features

- Low-back, cloth-covered individual reclining front seats
- Color-keyed seat belts with front-seat tension relievers
- Front door stowage bin/map pockets
- Speedometer, tachometer, fuel gauge, temperature gauge and trip odometer
- AM/FM stereo radio (may be deleted for credit)
- Luxury steering wheel
- Side-window demisters
- Color-keyed consolette

Selected Standard Exterior Features

- Aero headlamps with halogen illumination
- Sail-mounted dual-power outside rearview mirrors (all models)
- Body-color bumpers
- Dark Smoke bumper rub strips with bright insert
- Acrylic grille appliqué with bright/Argent accents
- Dark Smoke cowl top grille
- Bright windshield moldings
- Clear/Amber parking/turn lamp lenses
- Black wiper arms and blades

Topaz GS with Comfort/Convenience Package

Includes all Topaz GS standard features, plus the following additions and/or differences:

- Tilt steering wheel
- Digital clock
- AM/FM stereo radio with cassette tape player (electronic version is standard in California, Washington, Oregon, Hawaii and Alaska and may be deleted for credit)
- Interval wipers
- Light group
- Remote decklid release
- Electric rear-window defroster
- Remote fuel-filler door release

Topaz LS

Includes all Topaz GS standard features and the Topaz GS Comfort/Convenience Package plus the following selected additions and/or differences:

- Touring suspension with gas-filled struts
- Unique seat fabric
- Full console with folding center front seat armrest
- Power windows
- Power door locks
- Dual illuminated visor vanity mirrors
- Passenger grab handles (3)
- 18-ounce passenger compartment carpeting
- Illuminated entry system
- Dual-color accent stripes
- Argent lower taillamp molding
- Woodgrain instrument cluster accents
- Color-keyed luggage compartment trim

Topaz Diesel

Available in combination with the features standard on either the Topaz GS or the LS. Selection of the diesel engine introduces the following additions and/or differences:

- 2.0-liter four-cylinder diesel engine
- Glow plug "wait to start" instrument panel warning light
- Integral fuel filter/water separator
- Programmable voltage regulator
- 60-amp alternator (65-amp with air conditioning)
- Special sound and heat insulation
- Special cold-cranking battery

Topaz GS Sport Group

Available on two-door and four-door GS models (not available with 2.0-liter diesel or WSW tires). The GS Sport Group introduces the following additions and/or differences:

- 2300 HSO EFI engine
- 3.73:1 final-drive ratio
- Red insert for bodyside moldings and bumper rub strips
- Black leather-wrapped steering wheel
- Dark Smoke greenhouse moldings and door handles
- 185/65R365 Michelin TRX black sidewall tires
- TR-type cast-aluminum performance wheels with locking lug nuts (shown at far right on opposite page)
- Console with warning module
- Handling suspension package

Standard Exterior Colors

- Black
- Smoke
- Oxford White
- Bright Red
- Spinnaker Blue
- Midnight Regatta Blue
- Sand Beige

Optional Exterior Colors

- Silver Metallic Clearcoat
- Smoke Metallic Clearcoat
- Medium Canyon Red Metallic Clearcoat
- Regatta Blue Metallic Clearcoat
- Sand Beige Metallic Clearcoat
- Medium Aegean Metallic Clearcoat

Standard Interior Colors

- Smoke
- Canyon Red
- Regatta Blue
- Sand Beige

Optional Lower Bodyside Tu-Tone Colors

- Black over Smoke Metallic Clearcoat
- Oxford White over Smoke Metallic Clearcoat
- Silver Metallic Clearcoat over Smoke Metallic Clearcoat
- Sand Beige Metallic Clearcoat over Smoke Metallic Clearcoat

Options

	Topaz GS	Topaz LS
Air conditioning	OPT	OPT
Tilt steering wheel	OPT	STD
Fingertip speed control	OPT	OPT
Rear-window defroster	OPT	STD
Lower bodyside accent paint	OPT	OPT
AM/FM stereo radio with cassette tape player	OPT	STD*
AM/FM stereo electronic cassette tape player	OPT	OPT*
Standard 2.3-liter HSC engine with electronic fuel injection and three-speed automatic transaxle	OPT	OPT
2.0-liter four-cylinder diesel engine with five-speed overdrive manual transaxle	OPT**	OPT**
P185/70R14 white sidewall steel-belted radial tires	OPT	OPT
Polycast wheels (shown below in middle)	OPT	OPT

Optional Packages

COMFORT/CONVENIENCE PACKAGE. Includes tilt steering wheel, AM/FM stereo radio with cassette tape player,* interval wipers, rear-window defroster, digital clock, light group, locking fuel-filler door with remote release, remote decklid release.

GS SPORT GROUP. Includes 2.3-liter HSO EFI engine, a 3.73:1 final-drive gear ratio, sporty exterior featuring cast-aluminum wheels and Black and Smoke trim and interior featuring sport seats with special trim. Available in Black, White, Silver Metallic Clearcoat, Smoke Metallic Clearcoat, Medium Canyon Red Metallic Clearcoat or Regatta Blue Metallic Clearcoat exterior colors; Smoke, Sand Beige or Canyon Red interior colors.

*Electronic cassette is standard in California, Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Hawaii and may be deleted for credit.

**Not available in California.

Topaz Specifications

	Two-Door	Four-Door
Wheelbase (in.):	99.9	99.9
Overall length (in.):	176.2	176.2
Overall height (in.):	52.7	52.7
Overall width (in.):	68.3	68.3
Wheel tread	—front (in.): 54.7	54.7
	—rear (in.): 57.6	57.6
Head room	—front (in.): 37.5	37.5
	—rear (in.): 37.5	37.5
Leg room	—front (in.): 41.5	41.5
	—rear (in.): 35.7	35.7
Shoulder room	—front (in.): 53.9	53.9
	—rear (in.): 54.0	54.0
Hip room	—front (in.): 52.9	52.9
	—rear (in.): 51.4	51.4
Luggage capacity (cu. ft.):	13.2	12.9
Fuel capacity (gal.):	15.4	15.4
Curb weight† (lb.) Topaz GS:	2377	2440

†2440 and 2503, respectively, with 2.0-liter diesel engine.





Quality replacement parts

Genuine Ford and Motorcraft original equipment replacement parts are precision engineered and manufactured to Ford's high specifications, delivering top-level performance in all Mercury cars. The Ford and Motorcraft brand names are your best assurance of quality and long-term satisfaction because these replacement parts meet the same high standards as those installed in production, and at Lincoln-Mercury "Quality is Job 1."

Maintenance schedule

Ford Motor Company wants to reduce both the frequency and cost of scheduled maintenance on its cars to an absolute minimum. Important progress is being made in that direction. For example, in 1973, an engine oil change was called for each 4,000 miles. In 1986, Topaz oil changes are recommended at 7,500-mile intervals. Other recommended intervals are now: 30,000 miles between spark plug changes; 30,000 miles between air filter replacements;* 30,000 miles or three years between engine coolant replacement. Ford Motor Company is proud of these improvements and is working constantly to make them even better.



Extended Service Plan

Ford Motor Company's optional Extended Service Plan covers certain selected components on new Lincoln-Mercury cars for longer than the vehicle's basic warranty. The cost is so moderate for the protection offered that it could pay for itself the first time it is needed. Ask your Lincoln-Mercury dealer for complete details of the plan, which is available on cars sold and normally operated in the 50 United States and Canada.



Lifetime Service Guarantee

Participating Lincoln-Mercury dealers are now offering the Lifetime Service Guarantee, which guarantees their work on your Mercury Topaz for as long as you own it. This means that you pay for a covered repair once and never again. If it ever has to be fixed again, the repairing dealer will fix it free. Free parts. Free labor. Even if the car is kept a lifetime. It doesn't matter where the car was purchased or whether it's new or used, the work is still covered by the repairing dealer. This limited warranty covers vehicles in normal use. Items not covered are routine maintenance parts, belts, hoses, sheet metal and upholstery. Ask your Lincoln-Mercury dealer for a copy of the warranty and take the time to read it.

Ford-paid repair programs after the warranty period

Sometimes Ford Motor Company offers adjustment programs to pay all or part of the cost of certain repairs. These programs are intended to assist owners and are in addition to the warranty or required recalls.

Ask Ford Motor Company or your Lincoln-Mercury dealer about such programs relating to your Mercury Topaz. To get copies of any adjustment program for your Topaz or the vehicle of interest to you, call Ford toll-free at 1-800-241-3673.

In Alaska or Hawaii, call 1-800-243-3711.

In Georgia, call 1-800-282-0959 or write Ford at Ford Customer Information System, P.O. Box 95427, Atlanta, GA 30347.

Please include your name and address, year, make, model and vehicle identification number, as well as engine size.

Technical Service Bulletins

All vehicles need repairs during their lifetime. Sometimes Ford issues Technical Service Bulletins (TSBs) and easy-to-read explanations describing unusual engine or transmission conditions which may lead to costly repairs, the recommended repairs and new repair procedures. Often a repair now can prevent a more serious repair later.

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EPA statement

1986 EPA estimates were not available at the time this catalog was published. Topaz, however, should post excellent mileage figures in the new EPA Gas Mileage Guide. See your Lincoln-Mercury dealer for the latest information.

Buckle up— together we can save lives.

Buy or lease your Topaz from your Lincoln-Mercury dealer.

*Refer to the Topaz owner's manual for specific service requirements and added operations related to diesel engines and severe service applications.

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Availability of some features may be subject to a slight delay.

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