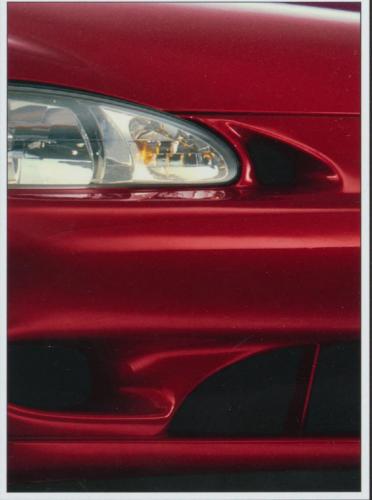
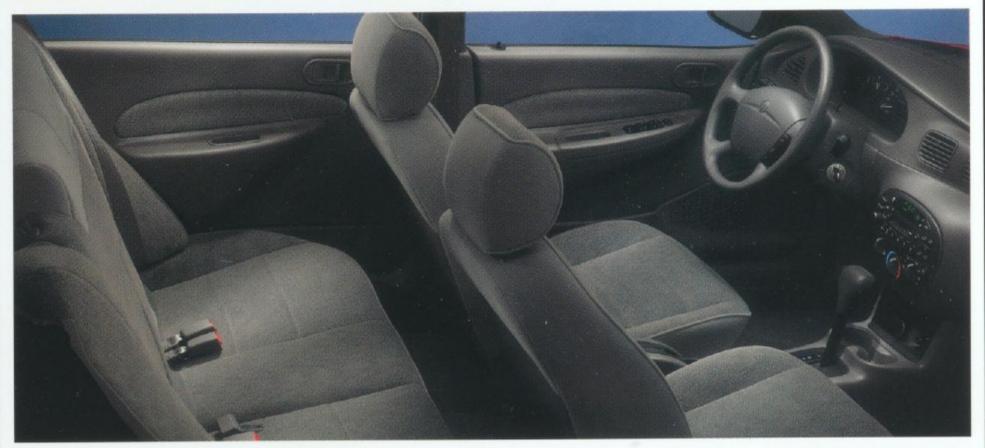
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THE SPIRITED NEW MERCURY TRACER OFFERS REFINED PERFORMANCE AND A COMFORTABLE, WELL-APPOINTED INTERIOR.

magine a small car that thinks big. That's the new 1997 Mercury Tracer. It comes equipped with features you'd normally expect to find on larger cars. Like an available all-door remote illuminated entry system. "Inneraiming" headlamps with the jeweled design typically found on luxury sedans. A 6-disc CD changer available on the LS sedan. And an innovative Integrated Control Panel that was first introduced on the 1996 Mercury Sable. The new Tracer is also big on style—with a sharp new look inside and outside. Big on power—with a 25% horsepower boost over its predecessor. And big on safety—with improved steel safety cell construction. So don't think small. Think big. Imagine yourself in the new 1997 Mercury Tracer.



COMFORTABLE NEW INTERIOR

Tracer's new interior offers more comfort and convenience than ever before. Its seats have been restyled with sculpted

sides, high quality fabric, and adjustable head restraints. Its Integrated Control Panel gathers all your climate and audio controls into a single modular unit for easy access. And the stereo now boasts premium speakers for enhanced acoustics.



REFINED ROAD

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to give it a more solid,

sophisticated road feel.

New gas-charged

a number of improvements

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MORE POWERFUL ENGINE

Thanks to its new 2.0-liter split port induction (SPI) engine, Tracer now offers 25% more power. That's something you'll

MacPherson struts are included. Stabilizer bars have been stiffened. Several brake improvements have been incorporated. And a new one-piece bodyside stamping process on sedan models

increases rigidity. All this

appreciate when merging on the freeway or passing on the highway. It also maintains good fuel efficiency. And that's something you'll appreciate when pulling up to the fuel pump. As a further benefit, the new engine

save on service trips and maintenance costs.

*EPA estimated 28 city/37 hwy mpg with manual transmission: 26 city/34 hwy mpg

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tune-up²—helping you

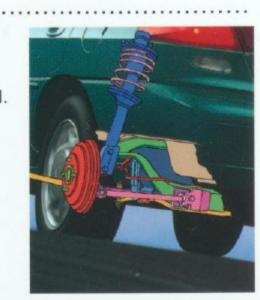
miles before a scheduled

manual transmission; 26 city/34 hwy mpg with automatic transmission.

²Under normal driving conditions with routine fluid/filter changes.

results in a smooth,
controlled ride that puts
you in touch with the road.
To pack this performance
into a sportier package,
choose Tracer Trio with
rear spoiler, aluminum
wheels, fog lamps, and

unique sport seats.



OPTIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

The 1997 Mercury Tracer is available with a variety of options to meet your driving needs and personal preferences. They include:

- 4-speed electronically controlled automatic overdrive transaxle w/torque modulation
- Choice of all-door illuminated keyless entry with perimeter antitheft (2 key fobs included) or driver-door-only option
- Integrated child safety seat (LS model)
- Speed control
- 6-disc CD changer (LS sedan only)
- · CFC-free air conditioner
- Cellular phone (dealer-installed accessory)
- Anti-lock Brake System (ABS)
- Equipment group package with power door locks, power windows, and electronic AM/FM stereo cassette
- Console-mounted center armrest (dealer-installed accessory)

Preferred Equipment Packages

Tracer groups many popular options together in packages to offer you savings over purchasing these items separately. Here is just one of the value-priced packages you could choose:

Tracer LS Sedan with Preferred Equipment Package 542A

- · Rear defrost
- Dual power mirrors
- · Air-conditioning
- Power locks
- Power windows
- All-door remote illuminated entry system
- 4-door perimeter anti-theft
- · Electronic AM/FM stereo cassette

Dimensions (in inches)

Wheelbase	98.4	98.4
Overall length	174.7	172.7
Overall height	53.3	53.9
Overall width	67	67
Headroom (front/rear)	39.0/36.7	38.7/39.3
Legroom (front/rear)	42.5/34.0	42.5/34.0
Shoulder room (front/rear)	51.6/52.1	51.6/52.1
Hiproom (front/rear)	50.2/49.4	50.2/49.4

Capacities

	Sedan	Wagon
Cargo volume	12.8 cu. ft	63.4 cu. ft.*
Curb weight	2,457 lbs	2,523 lbs.
*With rear seat folded down, 26.3 cu. ft. with re	ear seatback up.	

Standard Engine (sedan and wagon)

Type	Split-port induction
Displacement	2.0 liters
Horsepower	110 @ 5000 rpm
Torque	125 lbsft. @ 3750 rpm
Fuel deliverySequential	multi-port electronic fuel injection
Fuel capacity	12.7 gal.
Compression ratio	9.2:1
Engine control	EEC-V, Electronic Engine Control
Spark plugs	Platinum-tipped
Scheduled tune-up interval	100,000 miles

Transaxles

Manual: Fully synchronized 5-speed transaxle with self-adjusting clutch

Automatic (optional): Electronically controlled 4-speed overdrive transaxle with torque modulation

Brakes

Wagon

TypeStandard	power front disc/rear drum brakes
Front	10.1 in. ventilated disc
Rear	9.0 in. rear drum

Suspension

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Type.		.Quadralink	rear	suspension	with	trailing link	S

Steering

Power-assisted rack-and-pinion with 17.0:1 ratio. Curb-to-curb turning diameter, 31.5 ft.

To learn more about the new 1997 Mercury Tracer, visit our World Wide Web site at http://www.Mercuryvehicles.com.

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FAR-REACHING SAFETY

Tracer offers an impressive list of safety and security features.
You'll find dual air bags for enhanced front-occupant

protection. (Always wear your safety belt.) Improved steel "safety cell" construction for side-impact protection. "Inner-aiming" fixed headlamps for outstanding nighttime visibility. Child-proof door locks to prevent children from

accidentally opening rear doors. And 5-mph bumpers for improved body protection. Available options include an integrated child safety seat, anti-lock brakes (ABS), and all-door remote keyless entry with panic alarm.

LOADS OF SPACE

Room is something Tracer has plenty of. In fact, with its spacious 12.8 cubic-foot trunk, it has more cargo room than Civic, Neon, and Sentra. For extra long loads, such as lumber or skis, simply pop down Tracer LS's 60/40 split-fold rear seats. Transporting people instead of cargo? Tracer sees to their comfort with ample amounts of headroom and legroom.





TRACER WAGON

Tracer Wagon is the perfect solution if you're looking for more cargo-carrying space from a compact vehicle. It comes equipped with the

performance, comfort and convenience features found on the sedan—plus plenty of extra room. It delivers 26.3 cubic feet of space with the rear seats up, or a generous 63.4 cubic feet with the rear seats down.

MERCURY COMMITMENT SM

Every 1997 Mercury
Tracer is covered by the
Mercury Commitment—an
owner benefits program
that helps to ensure your

driving needs always receive immediate attention. It provides 24-hour roadside assistance (for towing, fuel delivery, jumpstarts, tire changing and lock-out assistance), a 3-year/36,000-mile bumper to bumper limited

warranty, a 5-year corrosion protection limited warranty, and toll-free access to the Mercury Customer Assistance Center. See your Mercury dealer for details and a copy of the limited warranties.



STANDARD FEATURES



The new 1997 Mercury
Tracer comes with a
surprising number of standard features for a car in
its class. They include:

- New 2.0-liter, 110horsepower split-port induction engine
- 100,000-mile tune-up interval
- · Front-wheel drive
- Four-wheel independent suspension
- Power rack-and-pinion steering
- Dual air bags (SRS)
- Integrated Control Panel

- AM/FM stereo with premium speakers (front speakers only on wagon)
- · Rear-seat heat ducts
- Center console
- Variable speed wipers
- Battery saver feature
- · Front/rear cup holders
- · Child safety rear door locks
- Height-adjustable front shoulder safety belts