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ALL 1979 CHEVROLET EL CAMINOS ARE COVERED BY THE GENERAL MOTORS THREE YEAR PERFORMANCE FROM CORROSION WARRANTY.

BE SURE TO TALK TO YOUR DEALER ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF OUR MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL REPAIR PROTECTION OPTION FOR YOUR VEHICLE.

**Three handsome interiors.** The elegant El Camino model comes with a standard four-inch-thick, foam-cushioned seat (below) with a handy split back. All controls are easily accessible in the trim rectangular instrument cluster. For added convenience, there's an available split-back seat with dual fold-down centre armrests. With this seat choice, you may also specify the extra comfort of the available six-way power seat for the driver. For style and luxury, contoured Strato-bucket seats (page 2) are available with or without centre



**Concealed storage and spare tire compartment.** Both sides of the split-back seat back fold down for easy access to storage area under the pickup box. The spare tire includes extractor for easy removal.

console and integral transmission shift lever.

**V6 engine standard.** It's a 3.3 Litre (200 Cu. In.) V6 with Dualjet carburetor, aluminum-inlet manifold, cast iron cylinder heads and block.  
**Two V8 engines.** For the '79 El Camino, Chevrolet is offering two V8 engines.  
The new 4.4 Litre (267 Cu. In.) V8 with Dualjet carburetor, 8.2:1 compression ratio. Power steering is required. Not available with 3-speed manual transmission.  
The 5.0 Litre (305 Cu. In.) V8 with new 4-barrel carburetor. Available with automatic and 4-speed transmission. Power steering required.

**A word about engines.** The Chevrolet trucks in this catalogue are equipped with GM-built engines produced by various divisions. Please refer to the engine chart for complete details about engine sources and availability. See your Chevy dealer for specific recommendations.

POWER TEAMS		
ENGINE	TRANSMISSION	AXLE RATIO
3.3 L (200 Cu. In.) V6 2-BBL. (A)	3-SPEED MANUAL	2.73
	AUTOMATIC	2.73
4.4 L (267 Cu. In.) V8 2-BBL. (B)	4-SPEED MANUAL	3.08
	AUTOMATIC	2.56
5.0 L (305 Cu. In.) V8 4-BBL. (C)	4-SPEED MANUAL	3.08
	AUTOMATIC	2.41-2.73

(A) Produced by GM — Chevrolet Motor Division, Tonawanda, New York Engine Plant.  
(B) Produced by GM — Chevrolet Motor Division, Flint, Michigan and GM of Canada, St. Catharines, Ontario Engine Plants.  
(C) Produced by GM — Chevrolet Motor Division, Tonawanda, New York, Flint, Michigan and GM of Canada, St. Catharines, Ontario Engine Plants.

**Air-adjustable shocks.** Standard air-adjustable rear shock absorbers help stabilize the El Camino at any load up to the maximum load rating. They help prevent "bottoming out" with heavy loads.

**Tough double-wall construction.** Cargo box walls are constructed of two panels of steel. The inside can take minor dents and nicks without showing through to the outside. Doors and hood have double-wall construction. Outer fenders have an inner fender to help protect against the effects of water and salt.

**Transmission Choices.** 3-speed and 4-speed manual transmissions and automatic transmissions are available, depending on engine requirements.



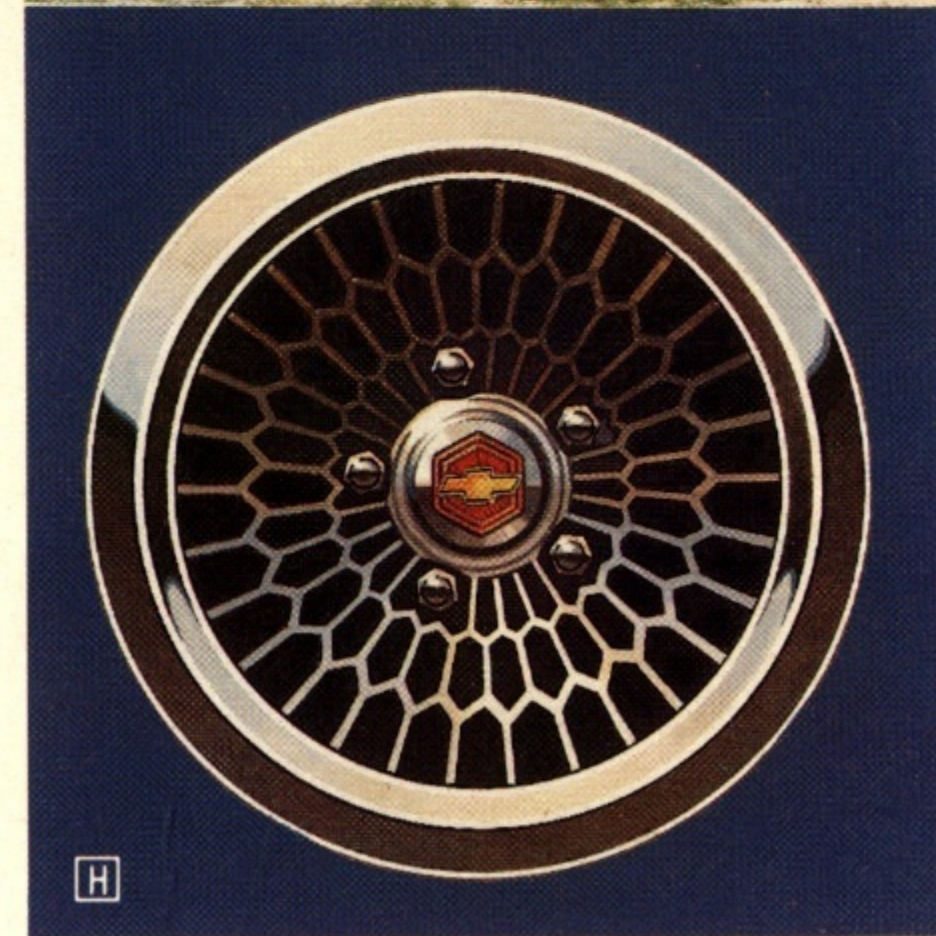
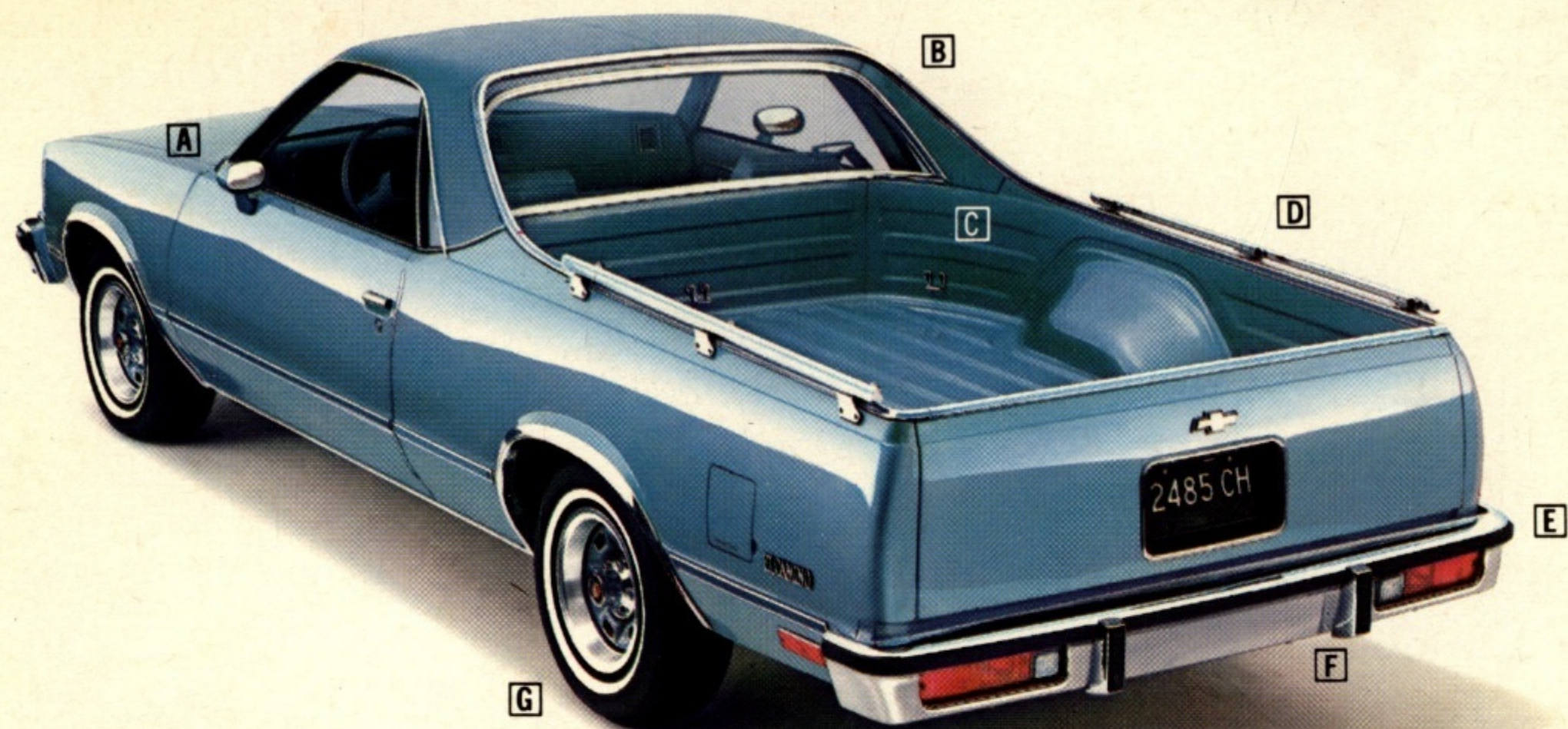
**El Camino.** It's our base model with an impressive list of standard features: ☐ 3.3 Litre V6 engine ☐ Frameless door glass and thin pillars ☐ Bright pickup box, wheel opening, rocker panel, quarter window and roof drip mouldings ☐ Full wheel trim covers ☐ Bright windshield and rear window mouldings ☐ Padded instrument panel ☐ Steel-belted radial tires ☐ Deluxe vinyl door and side panels and cloth with foam-padded headliner ☐ Full-depth, padded armrests in both doors ☐ Nylon cut-pile carpeting, colour-keyed to trim ☐ 10" prismatic rearview mirror

**El Camino Conquista.** It's a striking paint and moulding treatment. The basic body colour appears on the roof, upper portion of pickup box, lower body sides and on the tailgate. The centre section of the body side, the hood and lower portion of tailgate are set off by a special accent colour. Also featured are bright paint break mouldings along upper side of pickup box and tailgate; bright mouldings along lower side of body and over wheel openings; Conquista decal on tailgate. (Shown on cover.)

**El Camino Super Sport.** This exciting sport model El Camino comes with: ☐ Large front air dam ☐ Matching sport mirrors ☐ Special black paint treatment around grille openings ☐ Choice of seven paint accent colours on lower body ☐ Decal stripes accent the paint break lines ☐ Rally wheels, painted to match lower body accent colour ☐ Black quarter window mouldings ☐ "Super Sport" identification. ("Super Sport" shown below.)

**El Camino Royal Knight.** This distinctive exterior decor treatment is available for the El Camino Super Sport. The massive, bold hood decal and tasteful side striping are colour-keyed to the body colour you select. A large front air dam, matching sport mirrors and Rally wheels also help set the Royal Knight apart. (Shown in foreground on cover.)





## Available Options.

- A Dual sport mirrors.** Both right- and left-hand mirrors match body colour. Driver's side mirror is adjustable by remote control; dual remote control sport mirrors are also available.
- B Vinyl roof cover.** Available in seven different colours.
- C Cargo tie-downs.** Five special tie-downs recessed in the front and side panels of the cargo box.
- D Cargo box side rails.** Bright metal rails serve as cargo tie-downs.

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- E Bumper rub strips.** Resilient black impact strips, front and rear.
- F Bumper guards.** Include vertical rub strips, front and rear.
- G Rally wheels.** For a sporty touch.
- H Sport wheel covers** (silver or gold) and Wire wheel covers available.
- I Air conditioning.** Four-Season system handles cooling, dehumidifying, heating, defrosting and defogging.
- K Stereo tape system.** Available when you order a Delco AM or AM/FM stereo radio.

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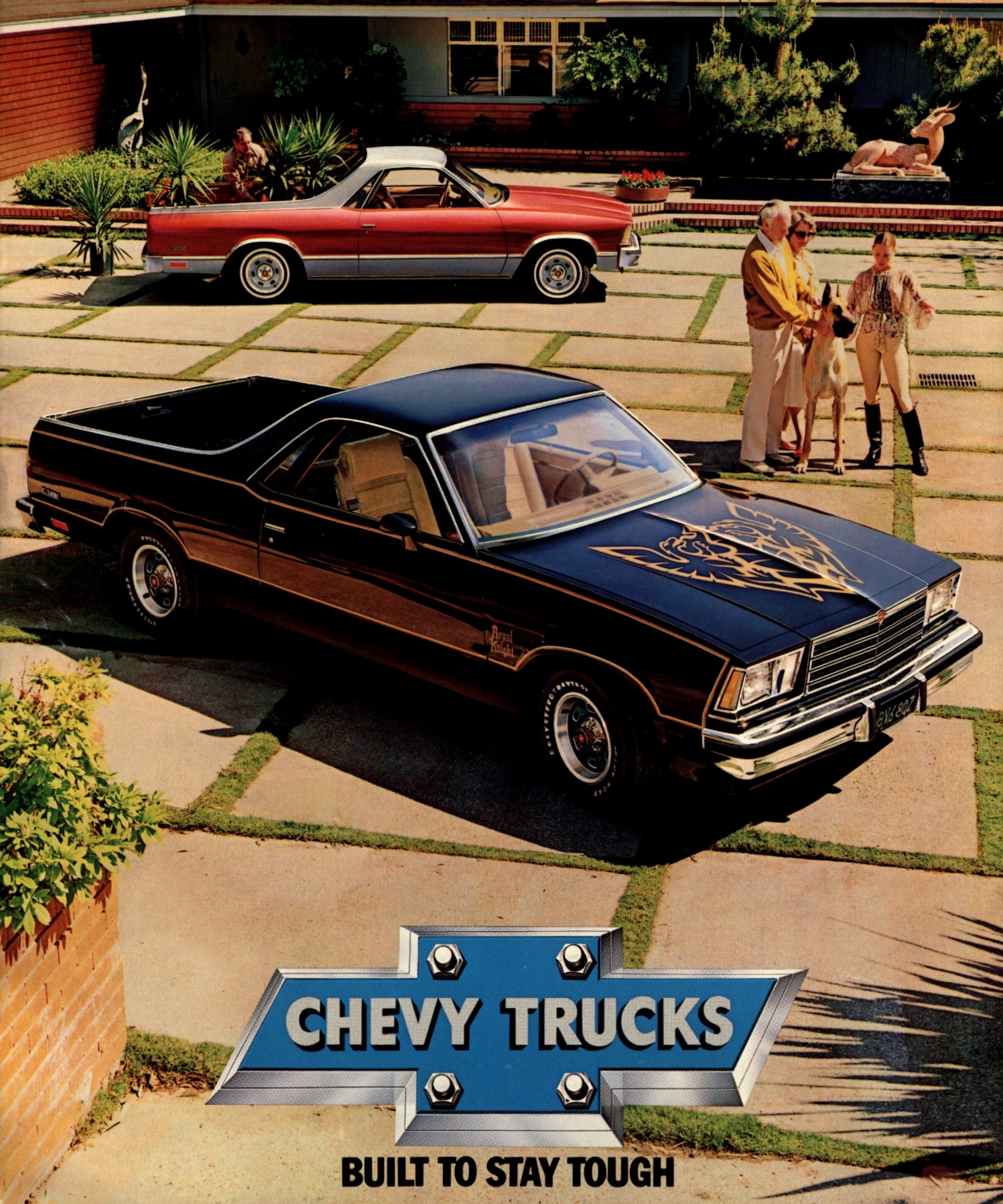
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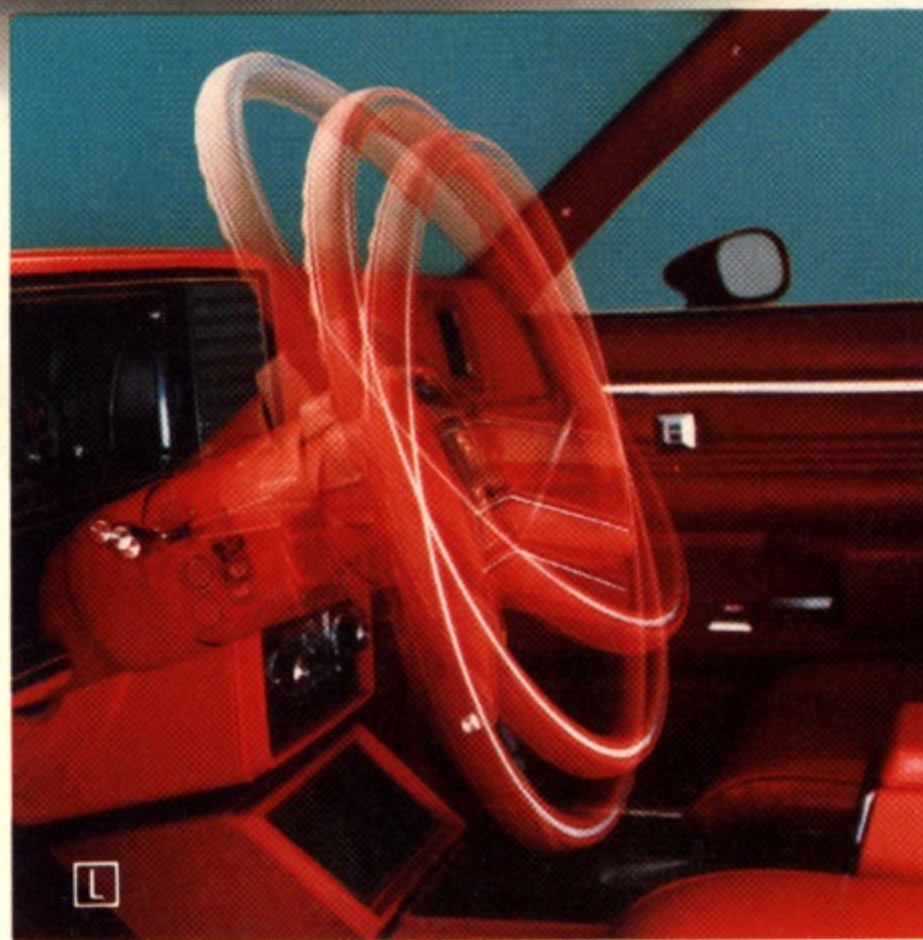
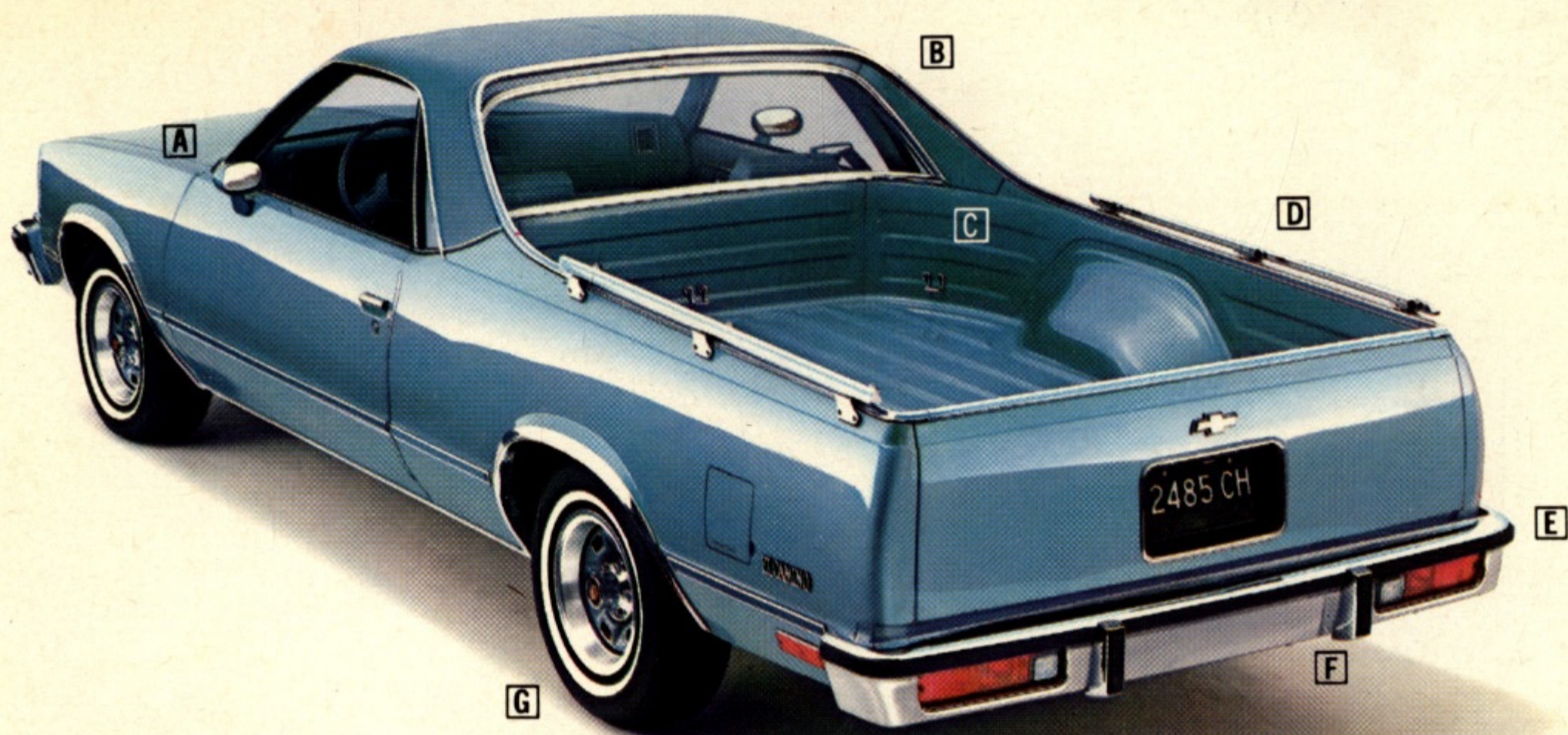
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STRATO-BUCKET SEATS

(Available equipment shown.)



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- L Comfortilt steering wheel.** Wheel adjusts to six positions.
- ☐ **Power steering.** Power steering is available with 6-cylinder El Camino models, required with V8 engines.
- ☐ **Power windows and door lock system.** Separate controls at each door.
- ☐ **Cargo box tonneau cover.** Available in black or white fabric-backed waterproof vinyl.
- ☐ **Choice of 14 exterior colours.**

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