

1985 CHEVROLET

Spectrum



SPECTRUM. THE SPORTY SMALL CAR THAT'S GOT IT ALL.

At last. A small car that delivers sporty performance, American-style room and one of the best gas economy ratings ever reported by the EPA.

The car? Chevrolet's new Spectrum. The secret? An engine designed to optimize performance with economy, powering a vehicle built around sophisticated concepts in computer-aided design.

From the outside, Spectrum looks sleek and contemporary, with flush-mounted windshield, aircraft-like doors and wraparound bumpers that slip gracefully through the wind.

On the test track, a high-efficiency 1.5 Liter overhead cam engine propelled the Japanese-built Spectrum from zero to 50 MPH in just 8.2 seconds. Technical refinement is so precise that piston friction is notably reduced, compared to past engine designs.

EPA EST. [38] CITY, 43 HIGHWAY MPG.*

OVERHEAD CAM ENGINE.

0-50 MPH/8.2 SECONDS.

FRONT-DRIVE, 5-SPEED.

ROOM FOR 4 SIX-FOOTERS.

Inside Spectrum, four six-footers ride in room and comfort. Careful attention to spring rates and shock absorber tuning contributes to their smooth, stable ride.

And from the driver's seat? Spectrum is quick and responsive, thanks to a carefully matched power-to-weight ratio, rack-and-pinion steering, MacPherson-strut front suspension, power front disc brakes and front-drive design.

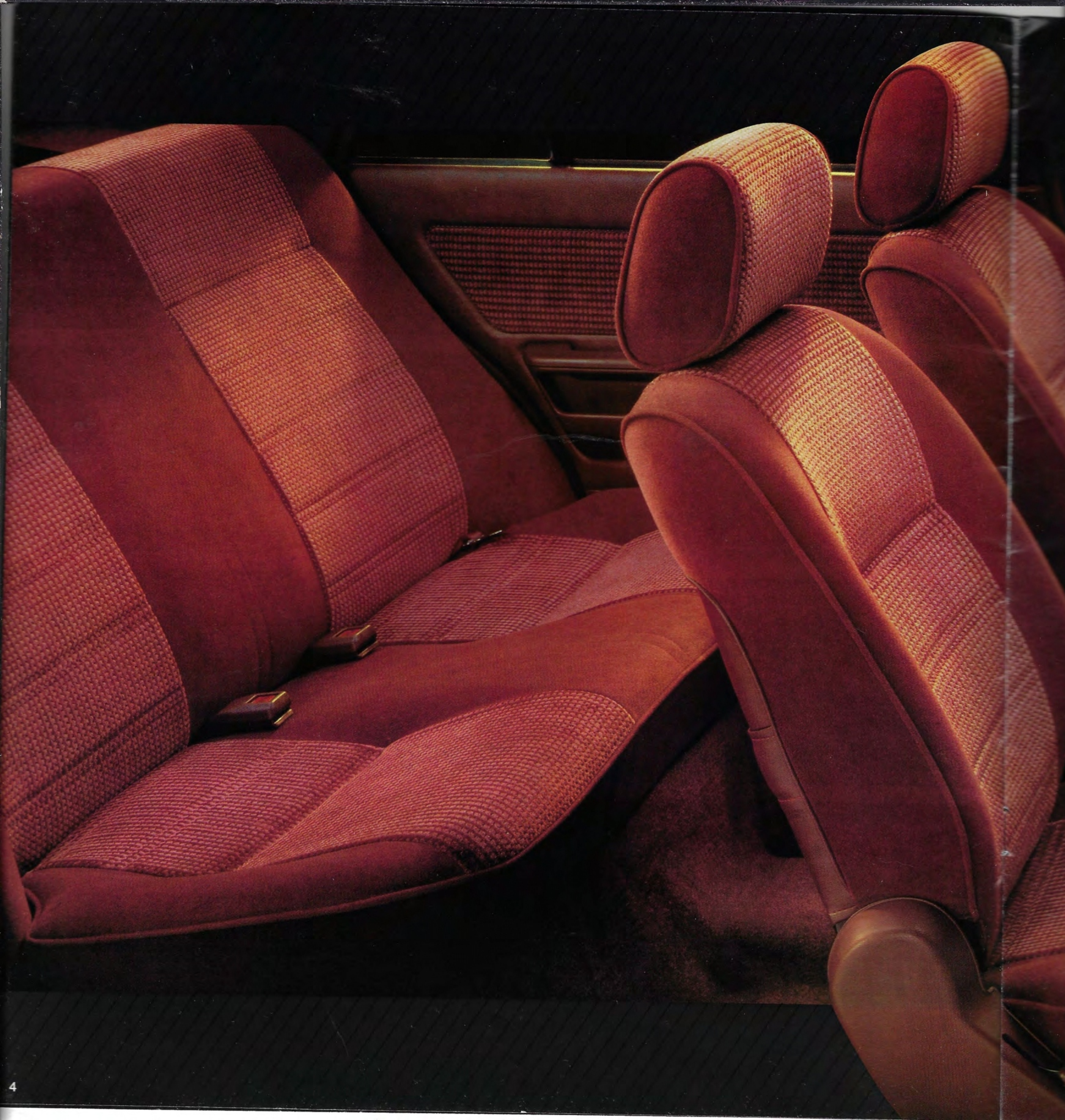
How can a car this agile, this comfortable, this responsive be EPA rated [38] MPG in the city, 43 MPG on the highway?

Read on. You'll find Spectrum's one small car that's got it all.

*Use for comparison. Your mileage may differ.



Spectrum Sedan above and on cover.



INSIDE SPECTRUM SEDAN. ROOM FOR SIX-FOOTERS TO TRAVEL IN STYLE.

It's true the exterior dimensions say "small car." But the interior compartment of Spectrum's 4-Door Sedan is so spacious it invites four long-legged, broad-shouldered American adults to stretch out.

To begin, open any one of the four doors that provide generous access to the Spectrum Sedan. Surprise! The seating and appointments display the kind of quality you'd expect to find in more expensive automobiles:

Plush velour fabric that covers all seats and door pads. The solid support of fully foam-cushioned seats. Handy storage compartments located on the front doors, in the armrests, and attached to the backs of the fully reclining front bucket seats. Cut-pile carpeting to contribute to your sense of well-being. And when you move out in traffic, Spectrum's acoustical sealing helps keep noise and distractions outside where they belong.

Spectrum Sedan's 12.5-cubic-foot trunk features low lift-over for easy loading.



SPECTRUM FEATURES.
THE LITTLE TOUCHES YOU WANT EVERYWHERE YOU LOOK.



Here's more proof of just how eager Spectrum is to please—with a surprising number of well-considered appointments.

Let's start with the cockpit. Clean and uncluttered, the instrument panel is designed to be read at a glance. The steering wheel feels substantial and businesslike as you grip it. Compartments to hold maps and other incidentals are thoughtfully molded in.

And here's a nice touch: You can activate Spectrum's headlamps and wipers without removing your hands from the wheel.



Storage bins on front doors.



Driver and front passenger door sill storage trays.



Floor console with compartments for small items.



Illuminated control switches a fingertip away from the steering wheel.



Cut-pile carpeting.



Remote control outside mirror, driver's side.



Pillar-mounted antenna.



Convenient single-key locking.



Magazine pockets on Sedan seat-backs.



Coupe rear concealed storage compartment.



Armrests on all doors.



Aerodynamic door-into-roof design reveals precise fit.



Coupe swing-out rear windows.



Coupe cargo restraint strap.

Spectrum Sedan instrument panel, shown above. Intermittent wipers, quartz digital clock and deluxe soft-rim steering wheel shown here are available as part of Spectrum's "easy-order" equipment packages. Optional air conditioning and AM/FM stereo radio with cassette player also shown.

SPECTRUM ENGINEERING. PRECISION DESIGN FOR RESPONSIVE DRIVING.

As you close the doors...as you start the engine...as you drive on down the road...again and again you'll be struck by the same impression: Spectrum is a solid, substantial small car.

When asked to make tracks, Spectrum moves out. Pointed uphill, Spectrum eagerly proceeds. Corners are approached with poise and confidence. Stops are front-disc-dependable.

Along the way, Spectrum's extensive corrosion protection is always with you: body panels electroplated with nickel and zinc, primer bonded electrically to metal, anti-chip plastic coatings that shield vulnerable fenders and body panels from road debris and salt.

And to make sure Spectrum stands up to real-world driving, test vehicles were subjected to thousands of miles of broken pavement, potholes, busy expressways, in weather ranging from snow to springtime to baking desert heat. Just to make extra sure that Spectrum delivers the quality and value you expect from your Chevrolet.



0-10 MPH/1.0 sec.

0-20 MPH/2.2 sec.

0-30 MPH/3.8 sec.



Turning circle (curb to curb).

Acceleration data was compiled by a professional driver on a GM test track.



MacPherson strut front suspension.



Rack-and-pinion steering.



Spectrum shift light. It's more than just an economy shift light. As you drive, Spectrum's computer analyzes the performance demands on the engine made by your passenger and cargo load, driving style and whether the road is flat or hilly. Then it flashes to advise you when to upshift for optimal fuel economy.



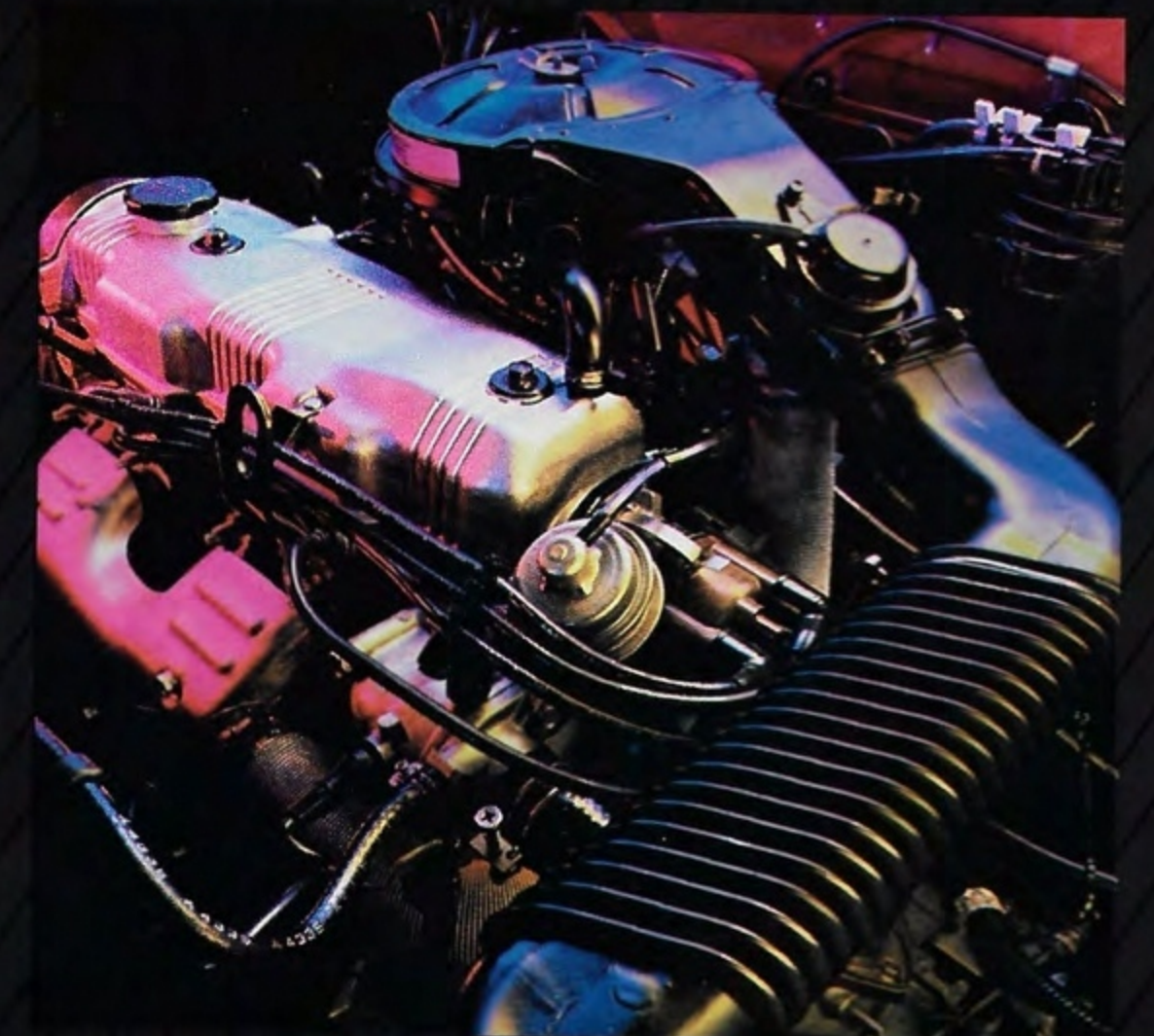
5-speed manual transmission.



Power front disc brakes.



Steel-belted radial tires.



High Efficiency 1.5 Liter OHC Engine.

□ Spectrum's 1.5 Liter engine features aluminum pistons in cast-iron sleeves and an aluminum head for significant weight savings.

□ Spectrum's high-compression, overhead cam design features cross-flow hemispherical combustion chambers for smooth, high-revving performance.

□ Spectrum's dual-barrel carburetor feeds through a precision cast-aluminum manifold for quick throttle response.

□ Spectrum's air-jet manifold design increases combustion chamber turbulence for performance and efficiency.

□ Spectrum's net horsepower is 70 at 5,400 RPM; net torque is 87 foot-pounds at 3,400 RPM.

□ Spectrum's full-transistor ignition helps assure dependable cold starts and long spark plug life.

□ Spectrum uses a two-piston ring, low-friction design for quick acceleration and high mileage.

□ Spectrum's mass-efficient crankshaft is designed to deliver quiet performance.

□ Spectrum's thermostatically controlled cooling fan is designed for low power loss.

□ Spectrum's computer-controlled carburetion adjusts automatically to changing elevations to help maintain full power even in thin mountain air.



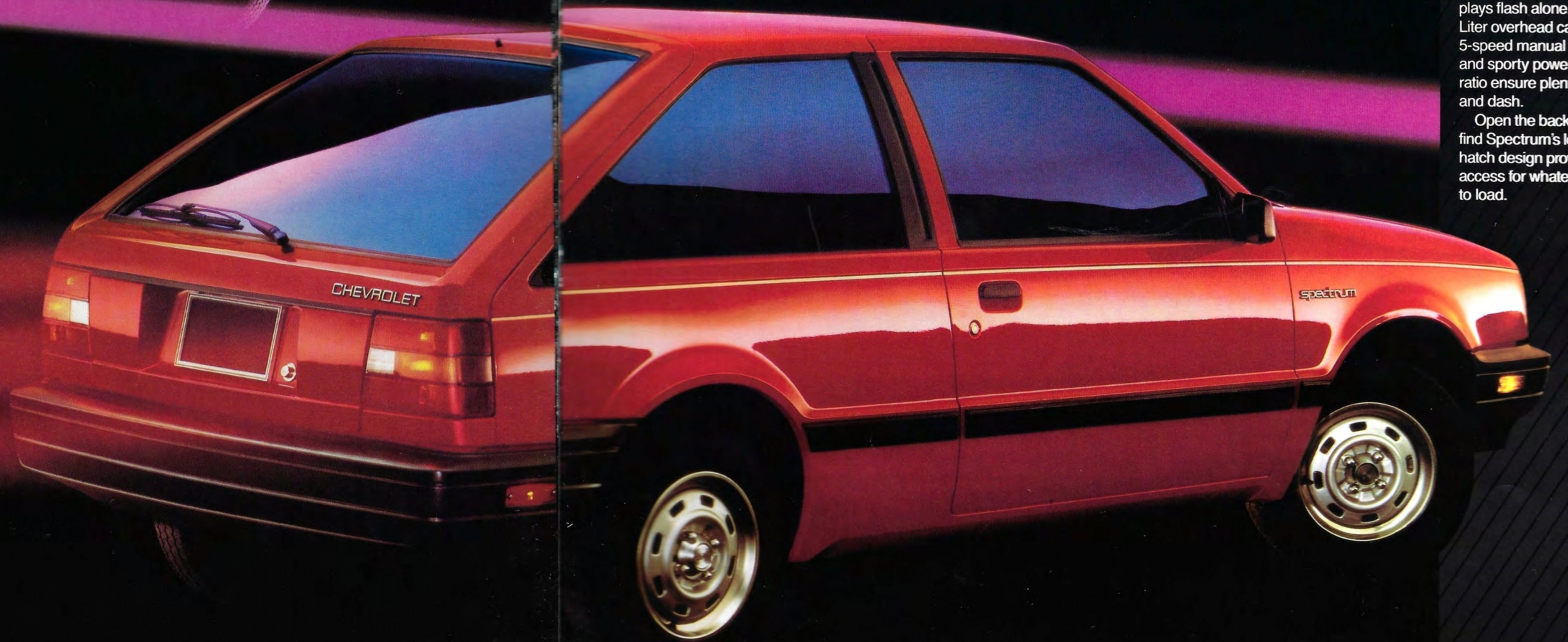
SPECTRUM COUPE.
SPORTY PERFORMANCE PLUS HATCHBACK
STYLE.

You already know that Spectrum squeezes more fun out of less fuel than almost anybody. Now consider the 2-Door Hatchback Coupe, where Spectrum's agile performance and long-haul comforts are complemented by the easy-loading versatility of a stylish hatch.

Accentuating the Coupe's sporty styling are blackout treatments of grille, headlamp bezels and flush-mounted windshield. Black body side moldings and smooth, wide bumpers provide unbroken protection by wrapping all the way around.

But don't think for a moment that the Coupe displays flash alone. The 1.5 Liter overhead cam engine, 5-speed manual transmission and sporty power-to-weight ratio ensure plenty of get-up and dash.

Open the back and you'll find Spectrum's low-lift-over hatch design provides easy access for whatever you wish to load.



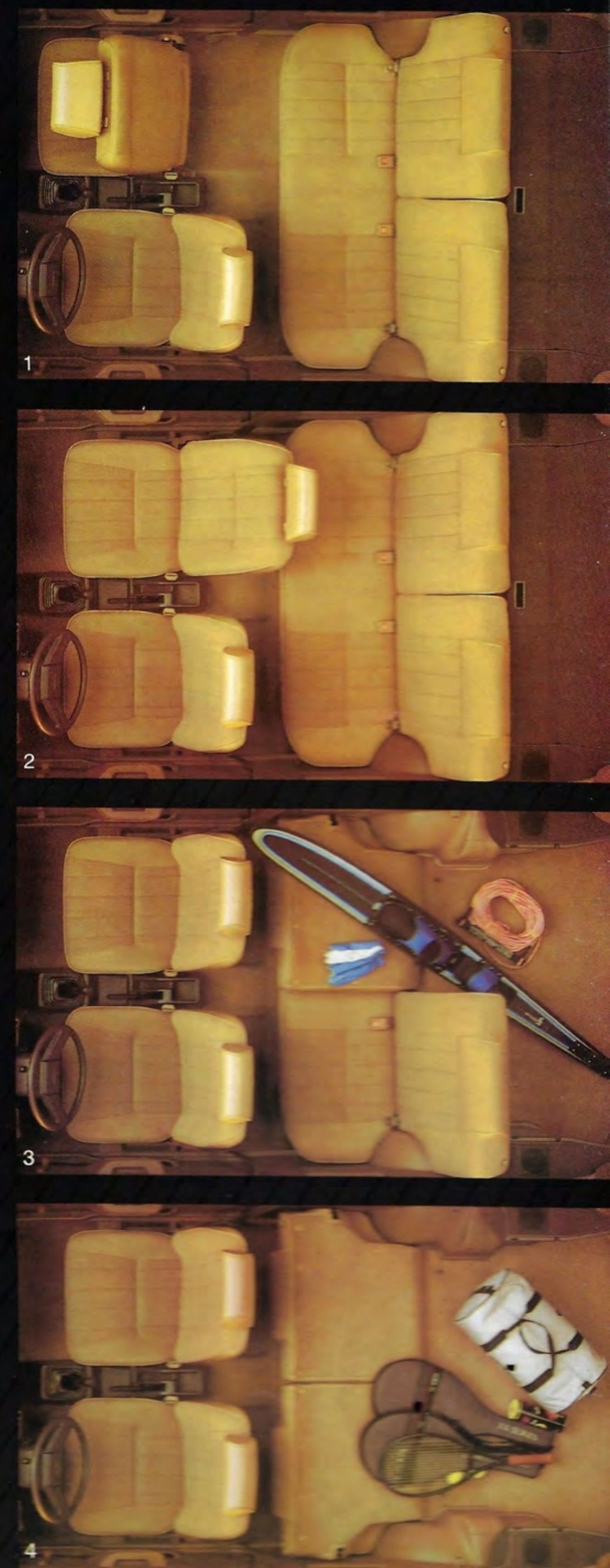
INSIDE SPECTRUM COUPE. 4-PASSENGER SEATING THAT CONVERTS TO 29.4 CUBIC FEET OF CARGO SPACE.

Spectrum Coupe is a driver's car, equipped and ready for action. It's also a versatile hatchback that seats four. Or there's 29.4 cubic feet of carrying space when you fold the rear seat-backs down.

The driver in you will appreciate the quick-shifting standard floor-mounted 5-speed manual transmission. Select an available 3-speed automatic if you prefer. Either way, an available tachometer and standard resettable trip odometer help you monitor performance and track MPG.

Passengers will find plenty of comfort features to their liking, such as breathable cloth upholstery and a generous amount of front leg room. Here's another pleasant surprise. The Spectrum Coupe actually has room for full-size American adults to sit comfortably in the rear. And thanks to its split-folding rear seat-back design, your rear passengers can individually adjust their seat-backs for even more comfort on long trips.

1. Spectrum Coupe's generous rear leg room allows easy access to the back seat.
2. Front bucket seats recline for long-distance comfort.
3. Split-folding rear seats let you carry a third passenger and long cargo simultaneously.
4. Spectrum swallows up to 29.4 cubic feet of cargo with rear seat-backs folded.



OPTIONS

White*

Silver (Metallic)

Medium Blue (Metallic)†

Red

Light Brown (Metallic)

Maroon (Metallic)†

*Coupe only.
†Sedan only.



Air conditioning.



Coupe cargo cover shields your valuables from view.



AM/FM stereo radio and cassette player with 4 speakers.

Appearance and Radio Options

- ☐ AM/FM stereo and cassette player
- ☐ AM/FM stereo
- ☐ AM/FM monaural
- ☐ Front floor mats
- ☐ Rear floor mats
- ☐ Right side remote-control rearview mirror
- ☐ Body side striping
- ☐ Wheel trim rings
- ☐ Cargo security cover (Coupe)

GM Protection Plan.

An option that offers service protection in addition to that provided by GM's new-vehicle limited warranty. Available only in the U.S. and Canada for the 1985 model year. Ask your dealer about this option.



Coupe tachometer.



Spectrum Sedan.

Separate equipment packages make it easy for you to select a Spectrum outfitted to your specifications. Choose your package. Select the paint color you prefer. If you wish, add a radio, plus any of the appearance options. That's all there is to it.



Automatic transmission.



Quartz digital clock.

Spectrum Equipment Packages

	Sedan				Hatchback Coupe				
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	5
Manual transmission	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Automatic transmission			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Air conditioning	*	*	*		*	*	*		
Power steering				<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rear electric defogger		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intermittent wipers		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quartz digital clock		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Halogen headlamps		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vanity mirror		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Custom features†		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Rear window washer/wiper								<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Luggage area light						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tachometer						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*May be ordered separately at extra cost.

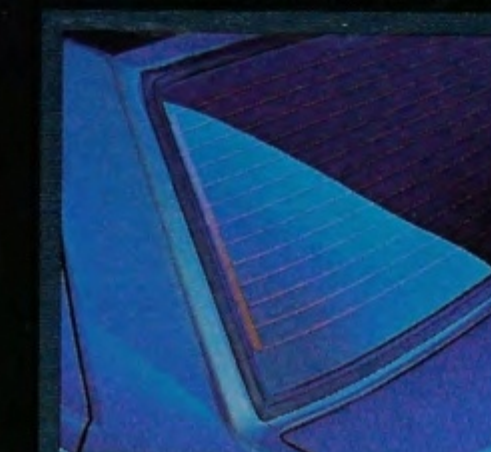
†Custom features include remote trunk and fuel filler door lock opener, passenger-assist grips, soft urethane steering wheel, wheel trim rings, black-accented door frames and black rear-end panel.



Remote openers for trunk and fuel filler door (Sedan only).



Halogen headlamps.



Electric rear window defogger.

FACTS

Safety Features

Occupant Protection

Manual lap/shoulder belts for driver and right front passenger (driver's side includes visual and audible warning system) ■ Manual lap belts at each rear-seat position ■ Energy-absorbing steering column ■ Energy-absorbing instrument panel ■ Energy-absorbing tops, front seats ■ Laminated safety windshield glass and tempered safety side and rear window glass ■ Safety interlocking door latches ■ Passenger-guard inside door lock handles ■ Manual release, folding front seat-backs ■ Safety armrests ■ Safety-strength seat attachments ■ Head restraints, driver and right front passenger (adjustable).

Accident Avoidance

Side marker lights and reflectors ■ Parking lamps that illuminate with headlamps ■ Four-way hazard warning flasher ■ Backup lights ■ Directional signal control and lane-change feature ■ Windshield defroster, washer and dual-speed wipers ■ Inside rearview mirror with vinyl-bonded glass ■ Outside left rearview mirror ■ Brake system with dual master cylinder and warning light ■ Starter safety switch ■ Dual-action hood latch system ■ Low-glare finish on instrument panel top, inside windshield moldings, wiper arms/blades, steering wheel surfaces ■ Illuminated heater and defroster controls ■ Illuminated windshield wiper and washer controls ■ Tires with built-in tread-wear indicators.

Anti-Theft

Audible reminder for ignition key removal ■ Anti-theft steering column lock ■ Visible vehicle identification number.

Exterior Features

	Sedan	Coupe
Antenna retracts into windshield pillar	S	S
Black left remote outside rearview mirror	S	S
Corrosion Protection:		
• Anti-chip protective coating applied to lower body		
• Anti-corrosion wax application to specific underfloor and exterior surfaces		
• Electrically charged magnetic primer		
• Extensive use of corrosion-resistant electroplated nickel-zinc coated steel		
• Front fender plastic liners	S	S
Doors extend into roof to conceal roof drip moldings	S	S
Hatch/trunk lid opens at bumper level	S	S
Keyless one-hand hatch/trunk lid opening	S	S
Molded, one-piece wraparound bumpers	S	S
Semi-concealed windshield wipers	S	S
Single-key lock system	S	S
Tinted glass	S	S
Tricolor tail lamps	S	S
Wide body side moldings	S	S

Interior Features

Armrests—front and rear	S	S
Cargo restraint straps in luggage area	NA	S
Cut-pile carpeting	S	S
Day/night inside rearview mirror	S	S
Economy shift light (with 5-speed manual transmission)	S	S
Fuel and temperature gauges	S	S
Multi-function lever for high-low beam, flash-to-pass and turn signals	S	S
Reclining low-back front bucket seats	S	S
Roll-down rear door windows	S	NA
Side window defoggers	S	S
Split-folding rear seat-back with reclining feature	NA	S
Storage pockets at bottom of front doors, in door armrests	S	S
Swing-out rear side windows	NA	S
Trip odometer	S	S

Mechanical Features

Five-speed manual transmission	S	S
Front drive	S	S
MacPherson-strut front suspension	S	S
Maintenance-free battery	S	S
High-efficiency overhead cam engine	S	S
Power front disc/rear drum brake system	S	S
Rack-and-pinion steering	S	S
Trailing-arm rear suspension	S	S
Unitized construction	S	S

Dimensions (in.)

Wheelbase	94.5	94.5
Length (overall)	158.8	155.9
Width (overall)	63.6	63.6
Height (overall)	54.1	54.1
Head Room—Front	37.8	37.8
Head Room—Rear	37.4	37.4
Leg Room—Front	41.7	41.7
Leg Room—Rear	33.3	33.3
Usable Luggage Capacity (cu. ft.) with rear seat down	12.5	16.4
Fuel Tank Capacity (gals.)	11.1	11.1

S: Standard. NA: Not Available.

Let's get it together... buckle up.

Every new 1985 Spectrum delivered by a Chevrolet dealer in the United States comes with a one-year, \$10,000 seat belt insurance certificate from MIC General Insurance Corporation at no additional charge. \$10,000 will be paid to the estate of any occupant who suffers fatal injuries as a result of an accident involving that vehicle while wearing a GM seat belt. Buckle up every time you drive.

Important: A Word About This Catalog.

We have tried to make this catalog as comprehensive as possible. However, since the time of printing, some of the information may have been updated. Also, some of the equipment shown or described throughout this catalog is available at extra cost. Your dealer has details and, before ordering, you should ask him to bring you up to date. The right is reserved to make changes at any time, without notice, in prices, colors, materials, equipment, specifications and models. Check with your Chevrolet dealer for complete information.

A Word About Updated Service Information.

Chevrolet regularly sends its dealers useful service bulletins about Chevrolet products. Chevrolet monitors product performance in the field. We then prepare bulletins for servicing our products better. Now you can get these bulletins, too. Ask your dealer. To get ordering information, call toll-free 1-800-551-4123.

A Word About Assembly, Components and Optional Equipment in These Chevrolets.

The Chevrolets described in this catalog are assembled at facilities of Isuzu Motors Limited, Japan. These vehicles incorporate thousands of different components produced by Isuzu Motors Limited and by various suppliers to Isuzu. From time to time during the manufacturing process, it may be necessary, in order to meet public demand for particular vehicles or equipment, or to meet federally mandated emissions, safety and fuel economy requirements, or for other reasons, to produce these Isuzu products with different components or differently sourced components than initially scheduled. All such components have been approved for use in these Isuzu products. With respect to extra-cost optional equipment, make certain you specify the type of equipment you desire on your vehicle when ordering it from your dealer. Some options may be unavailable when your car is built. Your dealer receives advice regarding current availability of options. You may ask your dealer for this information. GM also requests the dealer to advise you if an option you ordered is unavailable. We suggest that you verify that your car includes optional equipment you ordered or, if there are changes, that they are acceptable to you.

A Word About Engines.

Chevrolets are equipped with engines produced at facilities operated by GM car groups, subsidiaries or affiliated companies worldwide.



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