



# Again Ford goes first with the world's only hide-away hardtop — the *Skyliner!*

Ford presents the Skyliner—world's only all-steel hardtop that converts at the touch of your finger into a sun-loving convertible!

As the prototype of a whole future generation of cars, this <u>newest</u> new kind of Ford is typical of the kind of skill and leadership that goes into the designing and production of all Fords.

The same engineering know-how that produced the fabulous Skyliner is also responsible for the deep-down value and "Inner Ford" quality that you find in all 21 Ford models for 1957. And this rugged, dependable "Inner Ford" is surrounded by the year's most successful styling—styling that has set a new high standard in automotive beauty.

The Ford Skyliner is a car born of the habit of being <u>first</u>. Go Ford . . . and you'll always go first!

### PRESENTING THE 1957 FORD

Hairlane 500 SERIES

### IN 6 DISTINCTIVE NEW MODELS

Take a good long look at Ford's Fairlane 500 Series for 1957. Paced by the fabulous Skyliner—world's only all-steel hardtop that retracts—you'll discover cars so big, so new, so daringly styled that they bring entirely new *prestige* to the low-price field!

Over 17 feet in length and a mere 43% feet high, these six glamorous Fords bring you *more* of everything you want than any other low-priced car in history.

For example, now you can have that wonderful Victoria "hardtop" look in a conventional closed sedan! With

doors closed, the new thin-line center pillars of the Fairlane 500 Club and Town sedans are *completely concealed* by handsome chrome window frames. There's never been anything like it.

In addition, there's a new Full-Vision windshield that lets you see like never before . . . a clock that automatically retimes itself . . . rear doors with a built-in "helping hand" for opening and closing . . . a windshield wiper mechanism you don't even hear. Best of all, this fine-car luxury can all be yours at low Ford prices!



Going...going...gone! One minute the Skyliner is a trim, all-steel hardtop... boasting the dashing lines of a Victoria. Then touch the magic button and the roof glides smoothly into its hiding place in the rear deck. And there you are ... sitting proudly in the dreamiest convertible ever!





There's luggage space aplenty in this twoin-one car. Even with the roof in the rear deck, there's plenty of room for a set of week-end bags. With the roof up you can store enough "gear" in this hide-away hardtop for a 3-weeks' vacation! For years Americans have dreamed of a car that would be *both* an all-steel hardtop and a sun-loving convertible. Engineers struggled to build such a car. But it remained for Ford, the company that created the classic Thunderbird and sparked the modern trend to V-8 engines, to come up with the answer: the world's only hide-away hardtop! Called the "Skyliner," it's the surest-to-be-copied idea in car design since Ford introduced the first 2-door sedan back in 1915. Even more important, it shows you the kind of skill and leadership that is built into every Ford.







Even the rear seat backs are smartly "sculptured" for beauty in Ford Fairlane 500 models. Seats are oversized for extra comfort. Front seat cushions are foam-rubber padded.

## Pairlane 500 CLUB VICTORIA

For the newest standard of breath-taking beauty, breath-taking performance, look no further than this lovely two-door Victoria. The roof follows a new thin-line design that increases that wonderful "wide-open" convertible feeling . . . gives you greater strength and sedan snugness, too. Under the long, incredibly low hood you can get a new, high-compression V-8. And the sizzling Thunderbird "GO" it delivers at a touch of your toe is something extra special.





A silver crown of stainless steel slants out over the windshield top to add new distinction. New rain shields on front doors protect the inverted triangle vent windows.

## Pairlane 500 TOWN SEDAN

This heavier, road-hugging four-door sedan presents every luxury, every convenience that one associates with the finest town cars. Its thrillingly low silhouette and dramatic "hardtop" styling are achieved with complete practicality . . . allow easy entry and graceful exit. In fact, the sleek new body with its typically Fairlane "sculptured" look is practical through and through. Silent-Grip body mounts soak up sound and shock. Under the roof, special insulation guards against heat, cold and noise.



at the rich hues of the matching trim and seat fabric. There's a wide choice to match your personal taste.





At a glance you'd say, "Hardtop!" Yet a strong, super-thin pillar concealed behind the window frames makes this a gaily practical two-door sedan. As in all '57 Fords, the new Full-vision windshield wraps around further than ever . . . and an electric clock automatically retimes itself when you set it. The body enamel gives glorious, longer-lasting lustre to a wide choice of colors. On Fairlane 500 models, you can choose brilliant Single Colors . . . or stunning Style Tone combinations . . . each highlighted by a gold anodized, textured aluminum side trim.



This distinctive crest on a field of polished chrome is an extra beauty mark that you'll find dividing the rear seat of every Fairlane 500. Name your colors! Then see how beautifully Ford blends and matches them into a subtle scheme that's a sheer delight to the eye. Richly textured fabrics are as practical as they're handsome.





## Presenting the 1957 ford Fairlane series

in 4 great and distinguished new models

Here, certainly, is wonderful proof that Ford goes first for 1957!
The new Fairlane series offers the same big 118-inch wheelbase,
the same great over-all length (over 17 feet), the same
generous dimensions inside as its fabulous new sister series—
the Fairlane 500. Yet, with all its distinguished styling
innovations and its road-bugging heavier-car ride, the
Fairlane series is surprisingly low-priced!

Like the Fairlane 500's, the Fairlane series of fine cars offers revolutionary new "hardtop" styling in the conventional two-door and four-door sedans. In addition, there's a two-door and four-door Victoria in Ford's famous "pillarless" style.

You expect more from the V-8 leader . . . and for '57 the Fairlane series gives you "the most." You can choose from a wide variety of new, more powerful Thunderbird V-8 engines and the mighty Mileage Maker Six.



Beautiful upholstery of nylon cloth and grained vinyl is yours in colors and combinations that you'd be proud to choose for your own home. And rarely has such beauty been so practical, so easy to clean, so much longer lasting.

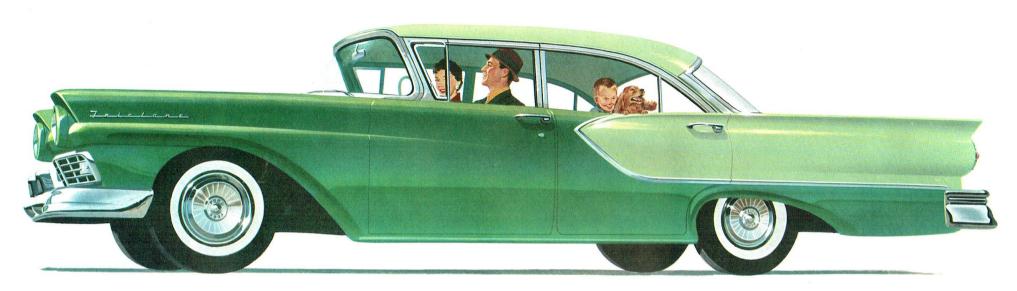
## Fairlane TOWN VICTORIA

This lovely hardtop reflects in every line the perfect taste and vital interests of its owner. It combines four-door convenience with open-car enjoyment for extra room, extra comfort, extra fun . . . whether you're riding alone or carrying five other passengers and a small dog. It's Thunderbird-low and it's packed with Thunderbird "GO"! It makes driving such a joy that you'll have the map reader looking for the *longest* way home.

The door handles boast Ford's new flowing lines. They're double-anchored, too, for extra strength and security.







## Fairlane TOWN SEDAN

You're comfortably at home in the fine-car class wherever you drive this handsome four-door sedan with its graceful "hardtop" styling. It *looks* like a Victoria because the body center posts are smartly concealed behind the slim, trim window frames! Other styling highlights are the bright metal rear side molding and Sunburst wheel covers that are standard on all models. Yes, from unique new hooded headlights to the flared rear fins, there's new beauty and distinction. And from stem to stern there's new heavyweight strength and rigidity.

Pop up the counterbalanced deck lid and discover a regular "cavern" of luggage space. Whether you're packing for a day at the beach or a month in the country, you can keep the seats reserved for passengers only.



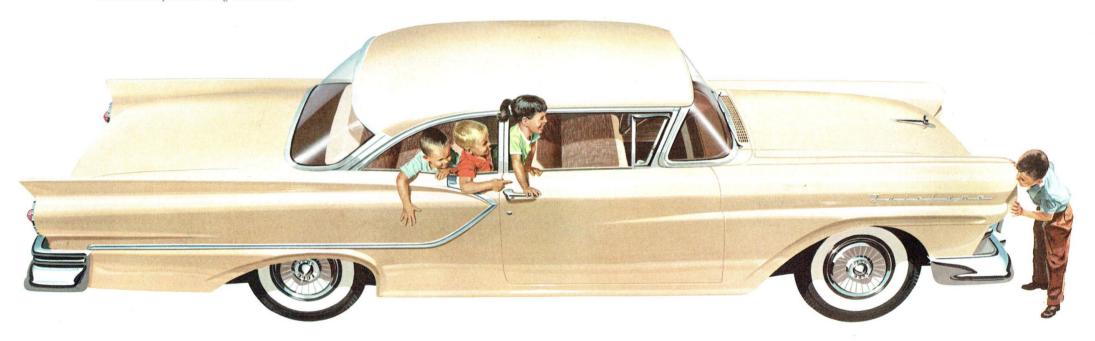
There's a glorious choice of colors to match your finest fancy and a new range of interior fabrics with tasteful, harmonizing trim. You'd be proud to exhibit these on your finest living room furniture!

### Fairlane CLUB SEDAN

"Delightfully different" describes this six-passenger, two-door lovely. With its super-thin center post it looks just like a Victoria, and when you say, "scat!" it skedaddles just like its kissin' cousin, the Thunderbird! Front and rear seats are designed to give you greater comfort, longer. And, as in all Fairlane models, there's more space above, below and all around, than you ever thought possible in a low-priced car!



New Full-Vision windshield wraps around and back further than ever. New triangle vent windows are tailored to the dashing slant of the swept-back front pillars. Note new door lock button is up front for easier locking.

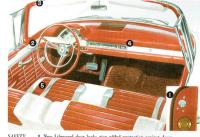


See how comfort and safety surround you when you and your family

It's thoroughly sound-conditioned against inside and outside noise. It's insulated and scaled against heat and dust, summer rains, winter winds. The body structures are braced and welded to form one incredibly tough unit. This is joined to the chassis by Silent-Grip live-rubber body

mounts that soak up noise and shock for a smoother, quieter ride. Notice, for example, the five steel, deep-section cross braces that span the roof at front, center and rear. Everywhere there's extra strength for extra built-in safety . . . extra long life. It's all part of the extra quality that's yours for '57 . . . at traditionally low Ford prices.





SAFETY . . . 1. New Lifeguard door locks give added protection against doors springing open upon impact, resist pulling forces up to 2,600 lb.! 2. Lifeguard deep-center wheel protects driver from steering post. 3. Lifeguard sun visors are fully cushioned with super shock-absorbing material.\* 4. Lifeguard cushioning is also available for instrument panel.\* Control knobs are deeply recessed for still more safety. 5. Body-anchored Ford safety belts help keep you in your seat.\* \*Worthwhile protection -at very modest extra cost



relax in this new kind of Ford.

New front-hinged hood is mounted so as to give greater accessibility to engine compartment . . . provide greater security. Hood release is conveniently located in driver's compartment.



Upper cowl, door pillars and dash panel are integrated into a stronger, more rigid unit. Even the new cowl ventilation system makes the new Inner Ford stronger,



Ford's 2-stage door checks hold the big front doors open you swing them full-open or full-shut, automatically. conveniently in two positions. And you get an assist in And for effortless ease of operation, in all weather, opening and closing rear doors with Ford's new Auto- Ford's double-grip door locks rotate rather than slide matic Doorman hinges, Toggle springs take over to help into engagement.

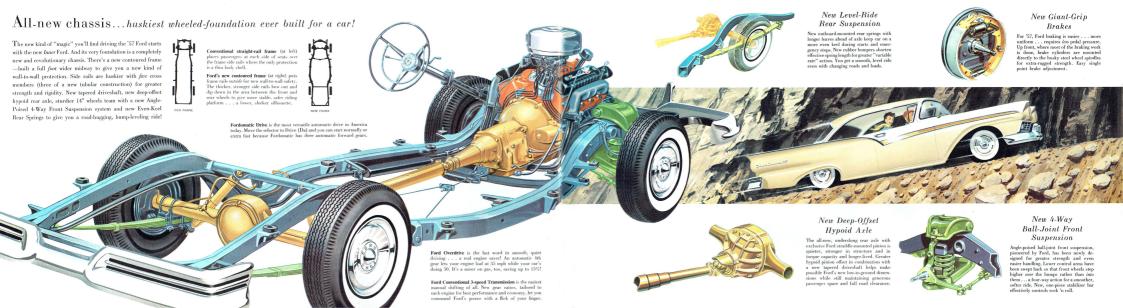


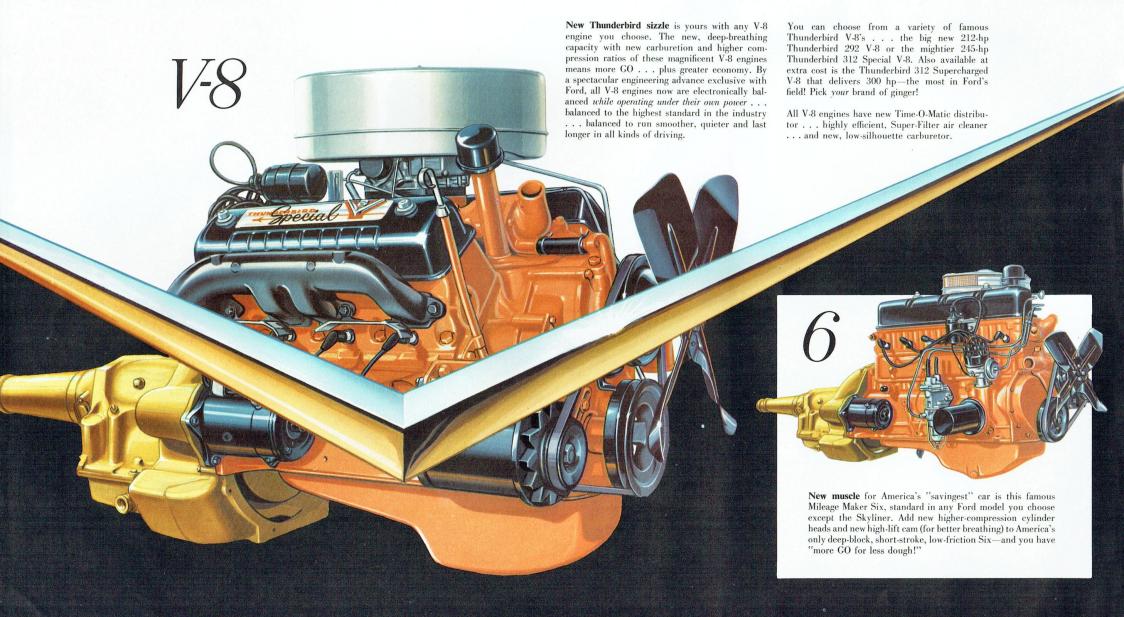


Thick foam-rubber "floats" on formed-wire springs and plastic-covered tension wires to give you a new kind of driving luxury that lasts the whole trip long . . . whether it's five miles or 500!



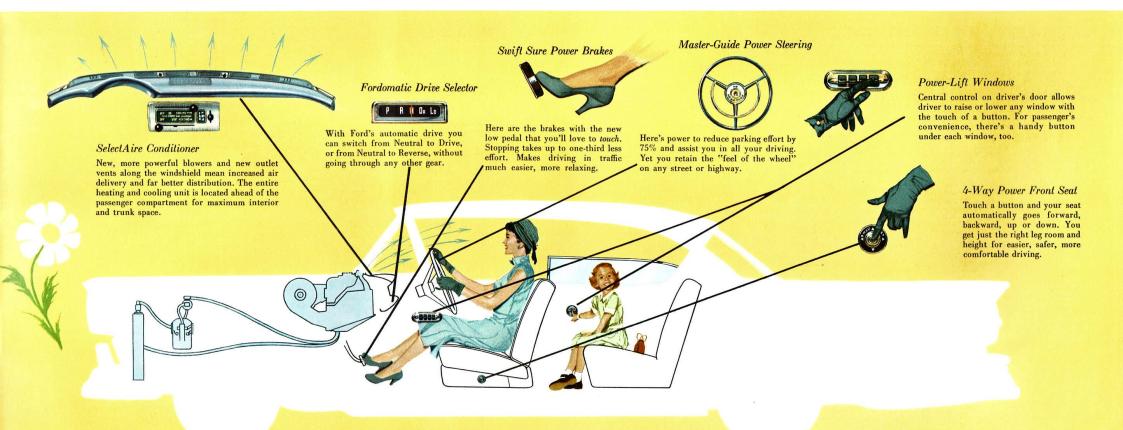
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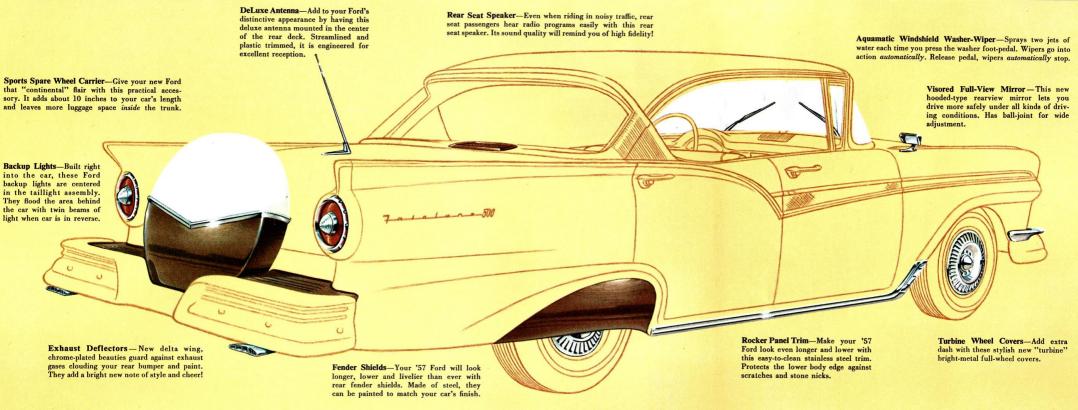




# More fun ... with Ford Power Assists and Air Conditioning!

The new kind of Ford puts all the luxuries found in the most expensive cars at your finger tips . . . and at low prices! You can have power to help you steer, stop, shift, adjust the seat and raise and lower windows. And with Ford's new SelectAire Conditioner you can heat your Ford in the winter, cool it in the summer, by moving the dual control levers. You never had it so easy—or so comfortable—as in the '57 Ford.





## New Genuine Ford Accessories for 1957



MagicAire System—Here is heating, ventilating and defrosting all in one! Four big defroster nozzles give even heat distribution, full windshield defrosting.

Signal-Seek Radio\*—Automatically tunes in stations in either direction of the dial. Town button (T) tunes local stations, Country button (C) gives broad coverage. \*Transistor-Powered



Visored Spotlight-Mirror—Gives double-duty, nightand-day convenience—and the hooded feature makes each effective in all weather. Both mirror and spotlight adjust easily from inside car.



Grille Guard—Here's an entirely new kind of grille guard. In three parts, the center piece (above) adds new distinction. Wing guards (on car) protect from unsightly scratches in parking.

These other fine Ford Accessories available at your Ford Dealer's

#### FOR COMFORT AND PLEASURE

Antenna, Fender-Mounted Heater, Recirculating and Defroster PolarAire Conditioner Radio, Console Range\* Ventilated Seat Cushions \*Transistor-Powered

#### FOR CONVENIENCE

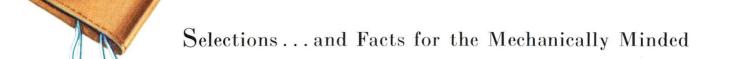
Lamp, Portable Spot and Utility Shaver, Auto-Home Electric Tissue Dispenser

#### FOR PROTECTION

Car Mats, Regular Car Mats, Contour Locking Gas Cap Seat Covers

#### FOR SAFETY

Ford Seat Belts
Lifeguard Jr. Rear
Door Locks
Mirror, Full-View, Body Mount
Mirror, Deluxe Adjust-O-Ring
Full-View, Body Mount
Mirror, Non-Glare, Inside



Fairlane and Fairlane 500 Extériors: There are 12 new body colors available for '57 in Single Color and 13 new body colors in stunning, new Style Tone for all models, including conventional Two Tone also for Skyliner. On Fairland models a bright-metal rear side molding is standard with Single Color and Style Tone. On Fairlane 500 models a gold anodized, textured aluminum trim highlights the chrome side molding as standard with Single Color and Style Tone. The Skyliner also has a bright-metal horizontal molding below taullights at rear with Style Tone only.

The basic colors are: Colonial White, Raven Black, Gunmetal Gray, Woodsmoke, Gray, Silver Mocha, Doeskin Tan, Flame Red, Inca Gold, Coral Sand, Dresden Blue, Starmist Blue, Cumberland Green, Willow Green.

Fairlane Interiors: Rich, long-wearing nylon fabries in Tropical-Leaf pattern with white ellipses or Silver-Dash pattern with interwoven silver yarns. Chain-Grain and Grush-Grain vinyls combine with these materials in sections of cushions, seat backs and on doors and quarter panels to create an attractive, tastefully harmonizing trim. Luxury-Loom carpets in harmonizing colors cover front and rear floors.

For Town and Club Victorias: choice of 4 nylon cloth-and-vinyl combinations. For Town and Club Sedams: selection of 4 other nylon cloth-and-vinyl combinations. These are offered with appropriate exterior body colors so that exteriors and interiors complement each other.

Fairlane 500 Interiors: Rich, long-wearing nylon fabrics offer a variety of Sculptured or Silver-Shadow and Ripple-Wave patterns, interwoven with silver yarn. Basket-Weave nylon and Crush-Grain vinyl combine with these materials in sections of cushions, seat backs and on door and quarter panels to create effects that will thrill the most fastidious taste. Luxury-Loom carpets in harmonizing colors cover front and rear floors of all models (except Sunliner which comes with practical Vinyl-Tex, a color-keyed carpet-effect vinyl-coated rubber).

For Town and Club Victorias: choice of 6 nylon cloth-and-vinyl combinations. For Town and Club Sedans: selection of 5 nylon all-cloth combinations. For Sauliure: choice of 4 embossed all-vinyl combinations. For Skyliner: choice of 5 all-vinyl interiors featuring new Airweave ("breathable" vinyl) seat upholstery. These are offered with appropriate exterior body colors so that exteriors and interiors complement each other.

See this vast array of exciting body colors and gorgeous fabrics at your nearby Ford Dealer's.

Engines: 144-hp Mileage Maker Six (all models except Skyliner)—223-cu. in. displacement: 3.62 " bore x 3.60 " stroke; 8.6 to 1 compression ratio, regular fuel. Unit design carburetor with larger venturi, manual choke, automatic Power Pilot distributor.

212-hp Thunderbird 292 V-8 (Skyliner; optional other models)—292-cu, in. displacement; 3.75 "bore x 3.30 " stroke; 9.1 to 1 compression ratio, regular

fuel. Low-silhouette, 2-venturi carburetor, automatic choke, Y-type single exhaust, Time-O-Matic distributor.

245-hp Thunderbird 312 Special V-8 (optional all models)—312-cu, in, displacement; 3,80° bore x 3.44° stroke; 9.7 to 1 compression ratio, premium fuel. Low-silhouette 4-venturi carburetor, automatic choke, dual exhausts, Time-O-Matic distributor.

300-hp Thunderbird 312 Supercharged V-8 (optional all models)—312-cu. in. displacement; 3.80" bore x 3.44" stroke; 8.5 to 1 compression ratio, premium fuel. Centrifugal-type supercharger with automatic ball-driven variable-speed blower control, engine-lubricated, dual V-belt drive. Single, scaled 4-venturi carburetor, automatic choke, dual exhausts, Time-O-Matic distributor.

All engines are available with all transmissions.

Engine Features: Short Stroke, low-friction design, deep-block construction; free-turning, overhead intake and exhaust valves; new high-lift camshaft; new "deep-breathing" induction system; Super-Filter air cleaner with reusable paper element; full-pressure lubrication; Full-Flow dispossable-type oil filter; 12-volt electrical system with 55 amp-hr battery, 450-watt generator; turboaction 18 mm, spark plugs. V-8 engines are precision "mass-balanced" while operating under power for maximum smoothness.

Clutch and Transmission: Semi-centrifugal clutch with new full-weighted levers for more positive engagement; suspended clutch pedal. Conventional Drive has 3 forward speeds and 1 reverse, with gear ratios tailored to each engine. New shot-peened, finer-pitch helical gears for greater strength and quietness; forged bronze synchronizers. Overdrive is combination of 3-speed transmission plus an automatic 4th gear that cuts in at about 28 mph, cuts out at about 22 mph.

Fordomatic Drive: Torque converter combined with automatic gear mechanism. Water-cooled with V-8 engines (air-cooled with Six). Three forward gears, I reverse. Automatic "low-gear" starts and "intermediate-gear" passing with selector in drive (Du) position. Illuminated selector dial with steering-post-mounted lever for natural feel, natural sequence.

Contoured Frame: New 5-cross-member, precision-made, ladder-type, reinforced box-section construction. Unique widely flared side rails which extend outside scating areas, afford passengers added protection. Frame is huskier and stiffer, provides more foot room, Brackets welded to inner and outer side rails are specially shaped for 18 Silent-Grip live-rubber body mounts. Sunliner frame and specially designed Skyliner frame have an additional Lbeam X-member at center (replacing 3rd cross member), uses 2 Silent-Grip and 16 solid-type body mounts for greater rigidity.

Front Suspension: New Angle-Poised, 4-Way Ball-Joint design with one-piece stabilizer. Suspension-arm pivots rubber-bushed for quietness, require no lubrication, Viscous-control shock absorbers, Tailored-to-model coil springs, Rear Suspension: Variable-rate type, outboard-mounted, longer-leaved rear springs with increased leaf lengths ahead of axle for Exen-Keel ride, 6-leaf design, with friction control inserts on Skyliner, 4-leaf design on other models, Fully insulated with rubber bushings in front and rear eyes. Wind-up rubber bumper on frame side rail over forward spring section limits deflection under load, further contributing to Even-Keel ride. Diagonally mounted Viscous-countrol shock absorbers.

Rear Axle: New, stronger, low-slung hypoid, semi-floating type with straddle-mounted deep-offset pinion.

Skyliner Axle Ratios (to 1): Conventional Drive—3.89 standard, 4.11 optional. Overdrive—4.11 Standard. Fordomatic Drive—3.56 standard.

All Other Models Axle Ratios (to 1): Conventional Drive—with V-8's, 3.56 standard, 3.70 optional; with Six, 3.70 standard, 3.89 optional, Overdrive—with V-8's, 3.70 standard, 3.56 optional; with Six, 3.89 standard, 3.70 optional, Fordomatic Drive—with V-8's or Six, 3.10 standard, 3.56 optional.

Steering: Worm and triple-tooth gear mechanism. Anti-friction bearings throughout. Symmetrical-linkage; 27 to 1 over-all ratio; 17½" 3-spoke Lifeguard deep-dish steering wheel Approx, 40' turning diameter, Master-Guide Power Steering optional at extra cost.

Brakes: Double-seal Giant-Grip hydraulie; suspended pedal; 11" drum; Skyliner 191-sq. in, lining area, other models 180-sq. in, lining area, New low-pedal type Swift Sure Power Brakes optional at extra cost.

Tires: 4-ply black tubeless on safety-type rims standard on all models. Skyliner—8,00 x 14-on 5½" ins. Sunliner with V-8 and Fordomatie—8,00 x 14on 5" rims. All others—7.50 x 14-on 5" rims.

Dimensions: 118" wheelbase; 59.0" front, 56.4" rear treads. Over-all length, 210.8" for Skyliner, 207.7" for other models. Height (maximum with design load), 56.2" for Victorias and Sedans, 56.5" for Sunliner, 56.3" for Skyliner.

Other Available Equipment: Lifeguard padded instrument panel and cushioned sun visors, Ford seat belts for front and rear seats. 4-Way Power Seat, Swift Sure Power Brakes, Master-Guide Power Steering, Power-Lift Windows. 1-Rest tinted safety glass. Fordomatic, Overdrive, SelectAire or PolarAire Conditioner for models with V-8 engines only (except 300 hp), white sidewall tires, special fuel and vacuum pump unit for positive-action windshield wipers.

Prices: All Power Assists and Accessories as well as some of the items illustrated or referred to in this catalog are at extra cost. For the price of the model with the equipment you desire, see your Ford Dealer.

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