

1981 PLYMOUTH RELIANT K

Canada's first full line of fuel-efficient, six passenger,
front-wheel-drive cars.





Plymouth Reliant SE Four-Door Sedan

Plymouth RELIANT . . . an uncommon answer to a common need

The RELIANT four-door sedan is a standout in the energy-conscious world of the eighties. RELIANT is not only right for the times that place increasing emphasis on fuel economy, RELIANT is also a complete automobile with the styling, room, ride and handling characteristics that make it a winner for the majority of Canadian families.

This out-of-the-ordinary car begins with a stand-out 2.2-litre, 4 cylinder engine which runs on regular gas. Chrysler engineers designed this new engine just for RELIANT. For the aficionado, engineering integrity is evident in its design and construction from the advanced hydraulic valve lash adjusters to the easy-access serviceability. For every RELIANT owner this means altogether pleasing performance, prompt, dependable response and smooth performance. Added power is also available with the Mitsubishi 2.6-litre "SILENT SHAFT" engine.



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Plymouth Reliant Custom Four-Door Sedan

Coupled with this transverse-mounted power plant is RELIANT'S advanced-design, front-wheel-drive. Chrysler experience in building this power team pays off in a car that doesn't just provide superior traction, important as that is. You'll find, also, that RELIANT exhibits a positive feel of the road, tracking true on sharpest curves, maintaining a smooth, level stance on even the roughest roads.

As though all this weren't enough, RELIANT'S designers have also made sure that your driving surroundings are completely satisfying. Particular attention has been paid to the driver's comfort and convenience, of course. The instrument panel clusters the speedometer, other gauges and indicators, compactly and with high visibility. But what is probably most pleasing is the roominess and riding comfort that the driver and passengers will experience in RELIANT.

But read on, you'll find even more to delight you about RELIANT. Better still take a test drive at your dealer's. See if you don't agree that RELIANT is unique; in every way, an uncommon answer to a common need.



Optional All-Cloth Bucket Seats

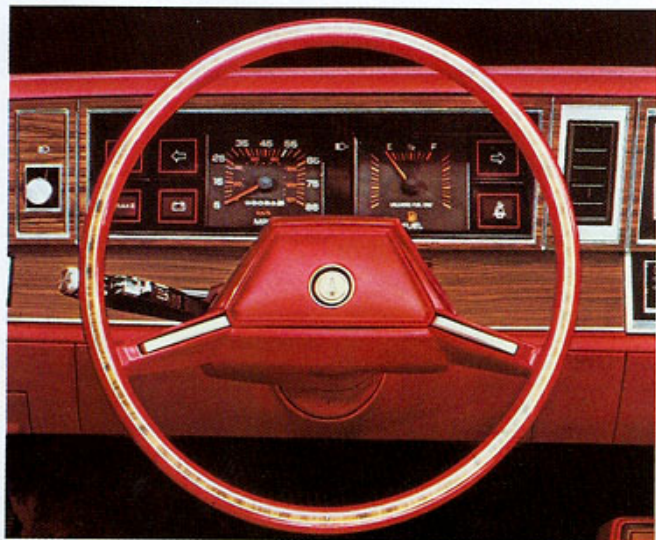


Plymouth Reliant SE Two-Door Sedan

Plymouth RELIANT . . . right for the times we drive in

The inner strength and soundness of RELIANT, the way the car drives and handles, the excellent economy of its 2.2-litre engine, the cat-like sureness of its front-wheel-drive and rack-and-pinion steering, all these make RELIANT so right for the demands of this decade's driving. And nowhere are RELIANT'S sure and spirited qualities more evident than in the RELIANT Two-Door Sedan.

But just because RELIANT makes so much sense mechanically, don't think you have to compromise on the other characteristics of a superior motor car. You'll find RELIANT'S exterior and interior colours and trim, upholstery and carpeting have been just as carefully planned and executed as its four mechanical features. In addition to the four-door sedan and two-door sedan body styles, you can choose a 4-door station wagon; and all three are available in RELIANT "SE" or RELIANT CUSTOM models. Each provides you with a distinctive choice of exterior colours and interior trim.



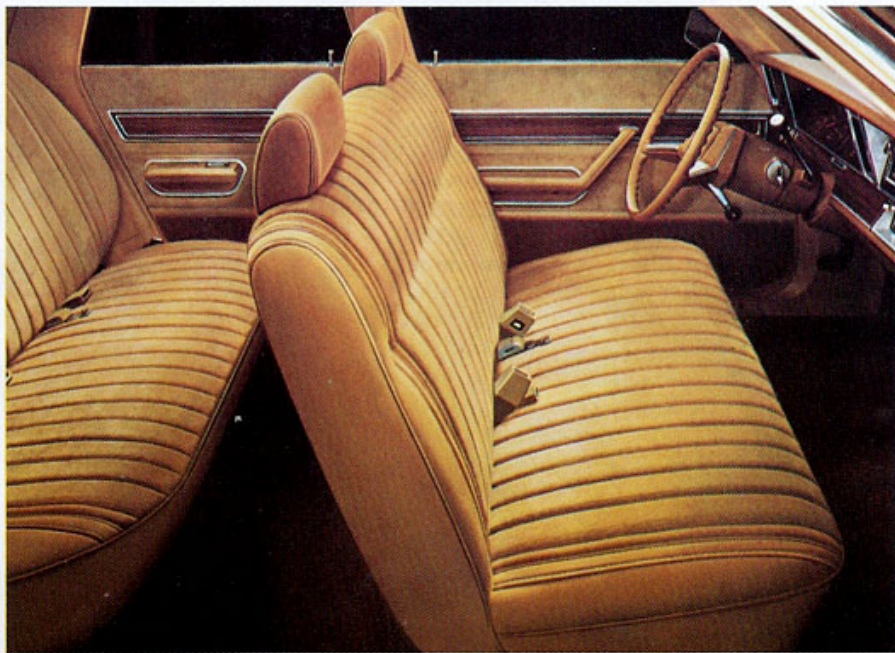


Plymouth Reliant Custom Two-Door Sedan

SE Interiors feature all-cloth bucket seats in light green, red or cashmere; all-vinyl bucket seats in red, blue or cashmere and the standard all-cloth bench seat in blue, light green, red or cashmere.

Custom Interiors feature all-vinyl, or cloth-and-vinyl bench seat in blue, light green, red or cashmere.

Some items of trim and equipment shown are optional at extra cost. Your dealer can supply full details.





Plymouth Reliant SE Station Wagon

RELIANT Station Wagon . . . the only compact wagon with front-wheel-drive

It's another first from Chrysler. A compact station wagon that offers you full six-passenger room with the handling and fuel economy of a smaller car.

PLENTY OF CARGO ROOM

The new Plymouth RELIANT Station Wagon handily holds almost any cargo—groceries, camping equipment, luggage or antiques. Need to fit in the St. Bernard? No problem. RELIANT has 1961 dm³ (69.2 cu. ft.) of cargo volume with the rear seat down, and more cargo height than any other wagon built in Canada! And RELIANT'S peppy 2.2-litre engine can haul 'most any load you'd care to carry.

Loading is easy in our new RELIANT wagon. With the push of a button, the rear seat folds down to provide extra storage area. Easy access to the cargo area from all sides is provided by four doors . . . and a rear liftgate that swings up and out of the way. You don't have to crawl, duck or stretch to load this wagon.

A thickly carpeted cargo area protects your belongings from scratches and bumpy roads.





Easy to manoeuvre. You'll find this wagon surprisingly easy to handle and fun to drive, thanks to RELIANT'S front-wheel-drive, rack and pinion steering and power front disc brakes. Backing up, parking and edging into heavy traffic is even easier with RELIANT'S optional power steering and 10.5 metre (34.3 feet) turning diameter.



RELIANT'S front-wheel-drive traction and glass-belted radial tires help pull you through slippery turns and claw you out of ruts in rain, snow, mud and ice.

To help ensure clear visibility, whatever the weather, RELIANT offers an optional rear window wiper/washer system and a rear window electric defroster.



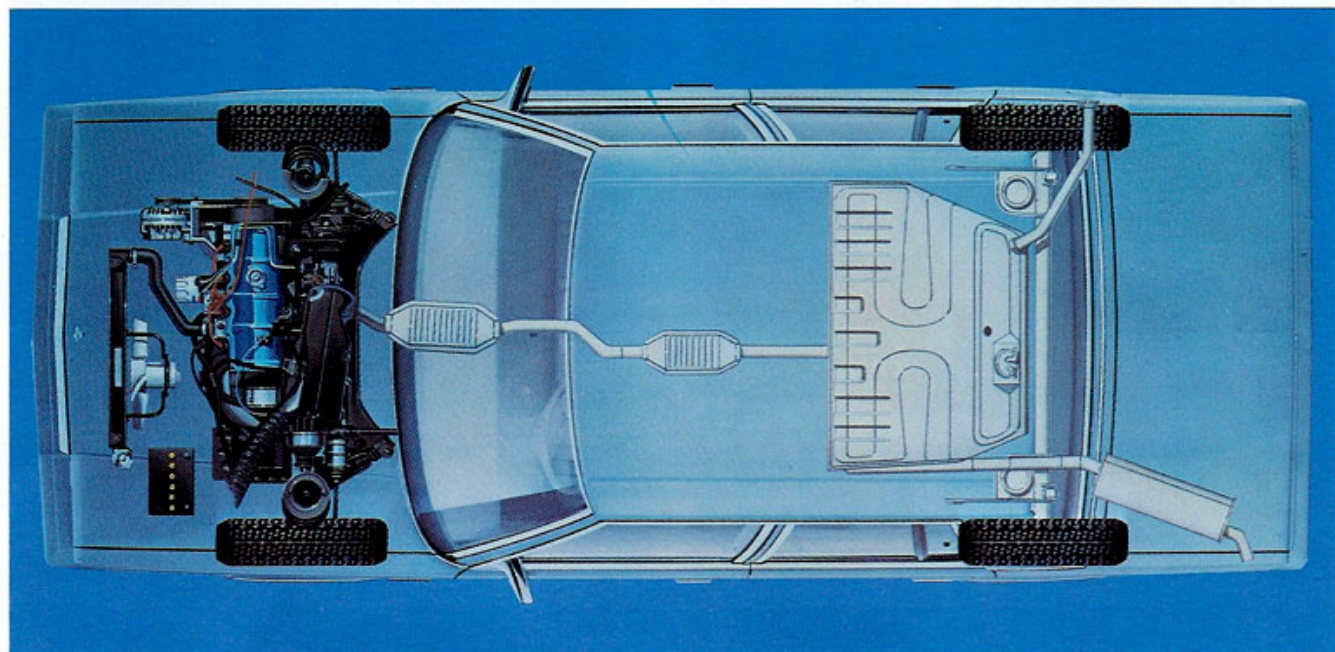
Plenty of people-room. Your RELIANT wagon can accommodate the whole family, with all the assorted balls, toys, games and other paraphernalia that are so much a part of family trips. With the rear seat up you can seat six adults comfortably, which means just that much more room for the children!



Freeway merging and passing power. Drive confidently, knowing that RELIANT'S 2.2-litre engine can deliver the power you need to merge into traffic and pass at freeway speeds—even with a wagonload.

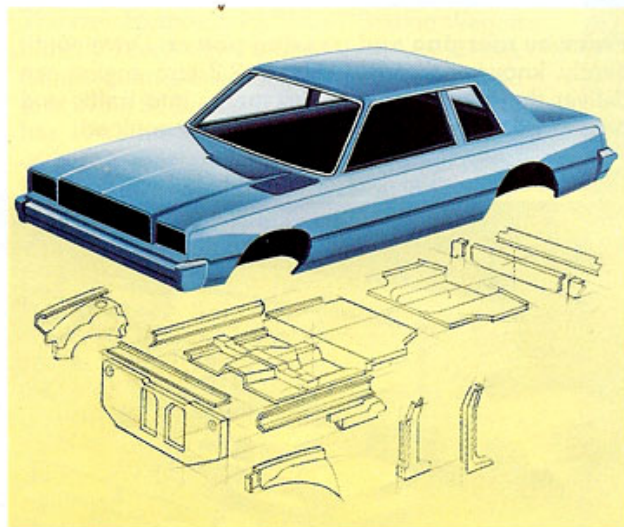


The advantages of front-wheel-drive!

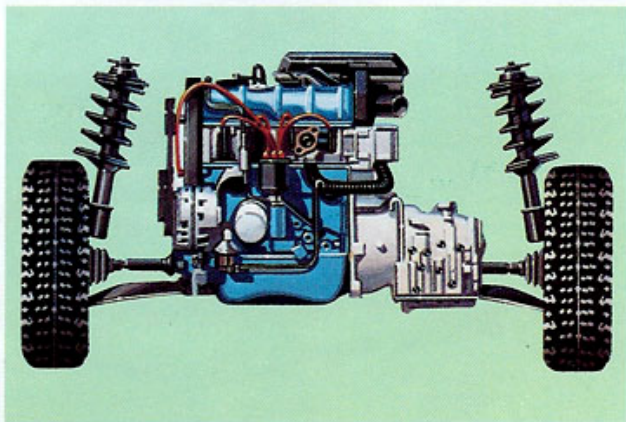


Front-wheel-drive and RELIANT quality. As the first North American company to build a small front-wheel-drive car, Chrysler's billions of kilometres of driving experience gives us, and the people who buy our cars, an advantage.

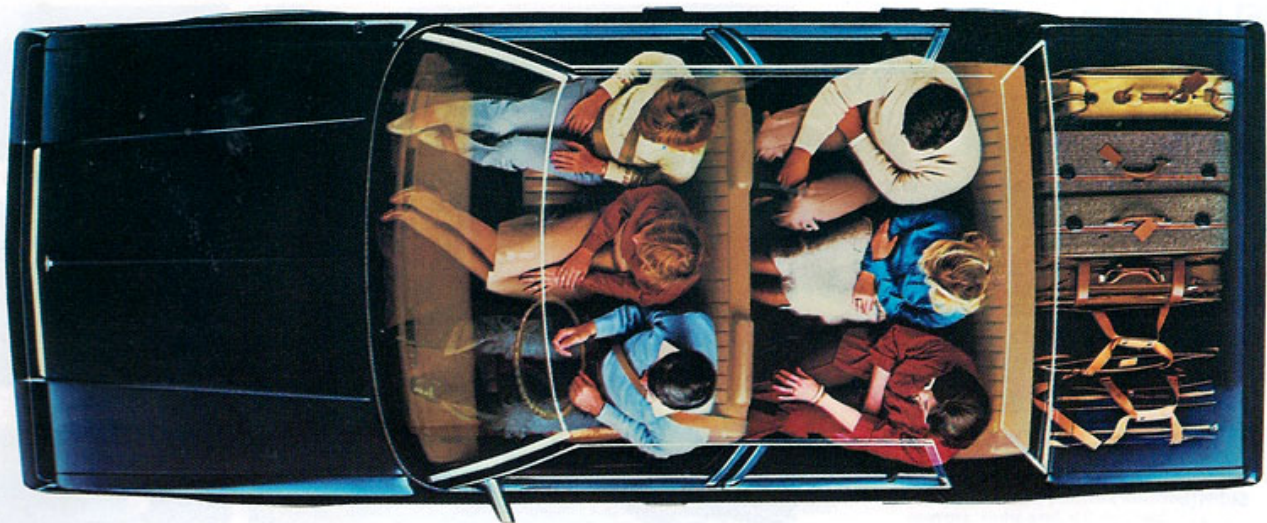
Prior to the manufacturing of RELIANT, its design was exhaustively tested. In final production, quality is optimized by hot-testing each engine, and assembling each body in a special fixture. Both of these processes are unique to Chrysler. After final assembly, 54 separate tests are performed and analyzed by computer. An engine that does not pass these strict standards does not go into a car.



For precise body panel alignment a clamshell-like device assembles the sheet metal parts to close tolerances before spot-welding. We will match RELIANT quality against any volume production car in the world.



Front-wheel-drive and direct power. The power of your RELIANT'S 2.2-litre engine is transmitted directly to the drive assembly from the transmission's pinion gear. This reduces power loss, and improves engine efficiency. Because the engine is mounted transversely, interior space is increased.



Front-wheel-drive and six-passenger room. Because of the concentration of parts forward of the passenger compartment, your RELIANT is more spacious. There is no transaxle housing to intrude into the front passenger area. Also there is no driveshaft tunnel to intrude into the rear compartment.

Front-wheel-drive and easier servicing. Other cars may require the removal of controls and accessories for access to routine service assemblies . . . not RELIANT. Most routine maintenance can be done by the do-it-yourselfer; including spark plug changing, replacing fuses and instrument lights, fan belt adjustment, oil and air filter replacement.



Front-wheel-drive, lower fuel consumption and high mileage. Of all engine/drive systems, front-wheel-drive has the best potential for achieving highest mileage. That's because the potential for weight reduction is greatest. With almost all RELIANT'S mechanical parts in a single "package", and many of them performing more than one task, dramatic weight savings can be achieved.



Front-wheel-drive and better traction. You'll find that RELIANT'S traction in rain, snow and mud is far superior to the usual front engine/rear drive car. Because the engine is mounted directly over the driving front wheels, its weight is exactly where it will do the best job of reducing wheelspin on slippery surfaces.



An optional service contract that covers your vehicle for 5 years or 80,000 kilometres, whichever occurs first, against major power train repair bills. See your Dealer for complete details.

RELIANT Options individualize your car

- A. **Electrically-heated rear window defroster**, removes fog or frost from virtually all of the window's surface.
- B. **Convenient rear window wiper/washer** is available on RELIANT Station Wagons.
- C. **Electronic Digital Clock** keeps excellent time, is quiet in operation, easily visible night or day. Features separate hour and minute reset controls.
- D. **Power front seats** make adjustment convenient and easy.
- E. **Power door locks** secure your family's safety.
- F. **AM/FM/MX stereo cassette** tape player features Dolby* noise reduction system that minimizes tape hiss on Dolby-encoded cassette cartridges and FM stations.
*Trademark, Dolby Laboratories.
- G. **Luggage rack** for RELIANT Station Wagon or Sedan has roof top rub strips and an adjustable cross-rail.
- H. **Automatic speed control** is integrated with multifunction control lever that includes intermittent wiper option.
- I. **Air Conditioning** keeps you cool on hottest days. An efficient, powerful system that features rapid cool-down, quick temperature modification, easy-to-reach controls.
- J. **Wheel covers**, left to right: optional 13" Steel Road Wheel, optional 14" Premium Wheel Cover, standard Reliant "SE" 13" Deluxe Wheel Cover, optional 14" Styled Steel Road Wheel.



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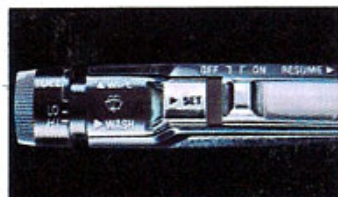
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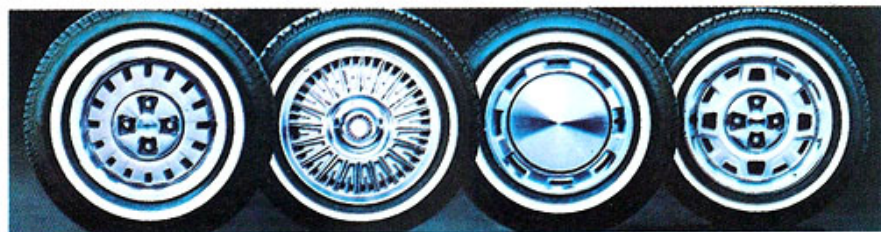
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CHRYSLER ANTI-CORROSION WARRANTY

Every Chrysler-built vehicle has been engineered to withstand the rigours of driving over Canadian roads. But even more than that, we realize the corrosive effects of the mixture of moisture and road chemicals. That's why there's a Chrysler Anti-Corrosion Warranty on all Chrysler-built new cars and trucks. See your Dealer for complete details.

Plymouth Reliant Standard Equipment Features

- ALTERNATOR**—60 amp., 65 amp. when optional electrically-heated rear window defroster is ordered. 75 amp. when equipped with optional 2.6-litre Mitsubishi engine.
- *ARMRESTS**—Front only
- ASH RECEIVER**—Front and rear (except 2-door sedan)
- BATTERY**—310 amp. with built-in test indicator. 325 amp. with optional 2.6-litre Mitsubishi engine.
- *BODY**—Unibody construction combines body and frame into one solid, strong unit.
- *BRAKES**—Diagonally-balanced braking system. Front manual disc, rear drum (sedans) Power, front disc, rear drum (wagons only)
- *BUMPER PROTECTIVE RUB STRIPS**
- *BUMPERS**—Colour-keyed, soft, fascia covered panels with steel support beams and hydraulic units resist damage at impact speeds up to 8 km/h (5 mph), front and rear.
- CIGARETTE LIGHTER**
- COAT HOOKS**—Left and right sides made of soft plastic
- CORROSION PROTECTION**—Seven-stage anti-corrosion process. Extensive use of galvanized steel; front wheelhouse liners of high impact plastic; chip resistant vinyl lower bodyside coating.
- *DOORS**—Safety action recessed door handles, keyless locking system. Newly designed compact door latches combined with precision door and aperture design reduce closing effort. Shielded latches minimize freezing potential. Increased use of molded sponge rubber seals enhances quiet ride character.
- ELECTRONIC SPARK CONTROL**
- FUEL TANK**—49-litre (10.8 Imp. gal.) capacity
- GLOVE BOX LOCK**
- HEADLINING**—Colour-keyed, cloth covered (except for wagons)
- HEATER/DEFROSTER**—New lightweight system with upper level ventilation.
- HOOD RELEASE**—Inside mounted
- HORN**—Single (Custom models). Dual (S.E. models)
- *IMPACT PROTECTION**—Protection beams in doors. Improved rear impact and roll-over integrity fuel systems
- *INSTRUMENT PANEL AND CONTROLS**—One piece plastic colour-keyed panel incorporates a padded "cluster" design with voltage sensitive warning light, dual function low oil pressure/high coolant temperature engine warning light, turn signal and high beam indicators and brake system warning lights.

- LIFTGATE**—One piece, hinged top, including fixed window glass (wagons)
- *LIGHTS**—Single rectangular headlights, linear taillight, stoplight and backup light assembly, side marker lights and reflectors, turn signal lights with lane change feature, dome light with courtesy switches, 4-way emergency flasher and select lever quadrant (with automatic transmission)
- *LOCKS**—Anti-theft ignition and break-in resistant trunk lock
- LOUVRES, QUARTER WINDOWS**—(Custom models)
- MIRRORS**—Outside, left, manual, aerodynamic style in black. Remote control chrome left outside on SE models. Inside, prismatic day/night
- PAINT**—12 colours, including 4 metallics
- RADIO**—AM with Traveller's Information Service (T.I.S.) feature (For Travel in the U.S.)
- *SEAT BELTS**—Colour-keyed, with tension reliever. Combined lap and shoulder Unibelt system for driver and front outboard passenger. Lap belts for all remaining passengers.
- *SEATS**—Bench seats, front and rear in cloth and vinyl (except Station Wagons). Lightweight construction with energy absorbing seat backs and fold latches (2-door sedans)
- SPEEDOMETER**—Dual calibrated (km/h & mph) with metric predominant. Odometer reads in kilometres with tenths record
- *STEERING**—Rack-and-pinion, manual with impact-absorbing column
- STEERING WHEEL**—2-spoke colour keyed, deluxe (Custom models), luxury (SE models)
- SUSPENSION**—Front, iso-strut, independent with integral anti-sway feature
- TIRES**—Glass belted radial, black sidewall (Custom version). Steel belted, white sidewall (SE version)
- TRANSAXLE**—New 4-speed manual, designed for improved fuel economy and smooth gear shifting.
- WHEEL COVERS, DELUXE**—Standard on SE models
- WHEELS**—13-inch styled steel
- *WINDSHIELD WIPERS/WASHERS**—Electric 2-speed with overlapping wipe pattern.
- *Safety Features**

- BUMPER GUARDS**—Front and rear
- CLOCK**—Electronic digital
- CONSOLE**—Available with bucket seats and Torqueflite options only.
- DEFROSTER**—Electrically-heated rear window
- ENGINE BLOCK HEATER**
- FLOOR MATS**—Colour-keyed, front and/or rear
- GAS CAP, LOCKING**
- GLASS**—Tinted, windshield or all windows
- HALOGEN HEADLAMPS**
- LIFTGATE WASHER/WIPER**—Station Wagons only
- LUGGAGE ROOF RACK**—All models
- MIRRORS**—Outside, remote control, left in chrome (Custom models) Outside, remote control, right in chrome (SE models). Outside, left and right, remote control in chrome (Custom models). Dual remote control, painted mirrors. Vanity mirrors, right and left or right only.
- PACKAGES**—There are many special option packages available, some of which are: the Air Conditioning Value Package, Light Package and Protection Package. See your dealer for full details.
- POWER ASSISTS**—Seats, steering, door locks, deck lid/liftgate release, disc brakes, front (sedans)
- RADIOS**—AM/FM, AM/FM/MX, AM/FM/MX with CB transceiver and fixed tri-band antenna, AM/FM/MX with 8-track tape player, AM/FM/MX cassette tape player with Dolby® noise reduction system. All radios equipped with the Traveller's Information Service (T.I.S.) feature for travel in the U.S.
- *Trademark, Dolby Laboratories**
- ROAD WHEELS**—Painted Steel or Steel
- STEERING WHEELS**—Sport, tilt column. Luxury 2-spoke wheel on Custom models
- SUN ROOF**—Removeable glass with storage bag
- SUSPENSION, HEAVY-DUTY**
- TRANSAXLE**—Torqueflite 3-speed "Wide Ratio" automatic
- UNDERCOATING**
- VINYL ROOF**—Landau (2-door models)
- WHEEL COVERS**—Luxury or Deluxe (Custom models only)
- WINDSHIELD WIPERS**—Deluxe with intermittent wipe
- WIPER/WASHER**—Rear, wagons

Ask your dealer for the complete story on the many other Plymouth Reliant available options

Selected Optional Equipment

- AIR CONDITIONING**
- AUTOMATIC SPEED CONTROL**—(must have deluxe windshield wipers)
- BATTERY**—500 amp. Maintenance Free, Long Life.

Seat Availability

Model	Standard Seat	Material	Optional Seat	Material
Reliant "Custom" Two-Door and Four-Door Sedans	Bench	Cloth & Vinyl	Bench	All Vinyl
			Bucket	All Vinyl
Reliant "Custom" Station Wagon	Bench	All Vinyl	Bucket	All Vinyl
Reliant "SE" Two-Door Sedan, Four-Door Sedan and Station Wagon	Bench	All Cloth	Bucket	All Vinyl or All Cloth

PLYMOUTH RELIANT BASIC SPECIFICATIONS

Model Availability	Two-Door Sedan	Four-Door Sedan	Four-Door Station Wagon
Reliant	X	X	X

Exterior Dimensions	Two-Door Sedan		Four-Door Sedan		Four-Door Station Wagon	
	millimetres	inches	millimetres	inches	millimetres	inches
Wheelbase	2530	99.6	2530	99.6	2530	99.6
Overall Length (a)	4470	176.0	4470	176.0	4475	176.2
Overall Width	1742	68.6	1742	68.6	1742	68.6
Overall Height (b)	1331	52.4	1339	52.7	1341	52.8
Track—Front	1464	57.6	1464	57.6	1464	57.6
—Rear	1448	57.0	1448	57.0	1448	57.0
Curb Weight—Kilograms*	1056		1056		1085	
—Pounds		2328		2328		2392

* Estimated. (a) Includes bumper guards. (b) Based on five passenger load.

Interior Dimensions	Two-Door Sedan		Four-Door Sedan		Four-Door Station Wagon	
	millimetres	inches	millimetres	inches	millimetres	inches
Effective Headroom—Front	970	38.2	979	38.5	980	38.6
—Rear	940	37.0	960	37.8	967	38.1
Effective Legroom—Front	1072	42.2	1072	42.2	1072	42.2
—Rear	893	35.2	901	35.5	887	34.9
Shoulder Room—Front	1398	56.0	1407	55.4	1427	56.2
—Rear	1494	58.8	1421	55.9	1441	56.7
Hip Room—Front	1426	56.1	1429	56.3	1429	56.3
—Rear	1388	54.6	1444	56.9	1444	56.9

Luggage Compartment	Two-Door Sedan		Four-Door Sedan	
	millimetres	inches	millimetres	inches
Loading Height	673	26.5	673	26.5
*Usable Luggage Capacity—dm ³	428		428	
—cu. ft.		15.1		15.1

* Estimated.

Station Wagon Cargo Compartment

	millimetres	inches
Height—Floor to roof at liftgate opening	691	27.2
Length—Second seat to end of open tailgate	845	33.3
—Second seat to closed tailgate	844	33.2
—Front seat to end of open tailgate	1747	68.8
—Front seat to closed tailgate	1746	68.7
Width—Floor opening	1332	52.4
—Between wheelhousing	980	38.6
—At belt line	1317	51.9
Loading Height	691	27.2
Volume—dm ³	1961	
—cu. ft.		69.2

Chrysler Front-Wheel-Drive . . .
the way to beat the pump!

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