



RENAULT CARAVELLE

RENAULT CARAVELLE . . . the introduction this year of the spirited-looking, sports-car performing Caravelle has taken auto enthusiasts, and just plain auto owners, by storm. Here, at last, is THE dream car come true . . . sleek and sporty but NOT expensive; new in every line yet thoroughly time-tested in every engineering and mechanical feature; dramatically handsome and distinctively styled without anything of the bizarre, its body lines sweep back in unfettered elegance; and, to top it off, a convertible that REALLY converts.

The much talked-about and looked-forward to Caravelle is the newest automotive advance from Renault. A two door, four passenger convertible, it incorporates all the famous Renault engineering and performance features: the proven rear-engine construction; independent four-wheel suspension; the unmatched maneuverability and

road-holding qualities; the exceptional operating economy; the interior roominess.

The interior appointments reflect dignity and good taste and the little extra personal luxuries such as a cigarette lighter and windshield washers are standard equipment in addition to the usual instruments and controls and heater/defroster.

The Caravelle is available in a choice of three different models . . . a soft-top convertible with a hideaway recess for the top, a fixed hard-top coupe and finally, a hard-top convertible with a DETACHABLE hard-top in addition to the conventional soft-top. All come in a choice of six striking metal-hue colors with harmonizing leatherette and/or fabric upholstery.

Here—for the lover of fine things, for the car fanciers of the world, for all who are young in heart—the perfect dream car come true!



ENGINE: 4 cylinder, rear engine; water cooled; overhead valves; cylinder head aluminum alloy, cylinders with wet removable sleeves; Solex 32 PIBT down-draft carburetor; heavy-duty, oil bath type air cleaner; bore and stroke: 2.283" x 3.150" (58 x 80 mm); piston displacement 845cc (51.54 cu in); compression ratio 8 to 1; brake horsepower 40 HP at 5000 RPM (SAE).

CLUTCH: Single disc conventional type clutch.

TRANSMISSION: 3 speeds forward with 2nd and 3rd synchronized, positive locking; gear ratios: 1st 3.7 to 1; 2nd 1.8 to 1; 3rd 1.035 to 1; reverse 3.7 to 1; rear axle 4.37 to 1.

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM: 12 volt; ignition key starting with built-in anti-theft device.

STEERING: Rack and gear type positive action; 4½ wheel turns from lock to lock.

BRAKES: 4 wheel hydraulic with 9" drums with floating, self centering-shoes.

HEATING: New dual heater with high capacity output for extremely cold weather. Fan motor operated at 2 speeds (maximum or moderate heating). Defroster and front heater air distributed through same duct, with separate outlets. Second duct and outlet located under rear seat. Standard equipment on all cars.

SUSPENSION: "AIRSTABLE SUSPENSION" . . . A new efficient suspension designed to give a comfortable ride at both load extremes. This new suspension has softer springs assisted by air cushions at front and rear which automatically compensate for heavier loads. Less rebound on choppy roads; better all-around wheel-to-road contact on both straightaways and turns.

CAPACITIES: Fuel tank 8½ gallons; crankcase 2½ quarts oil; gearbox 2¾ pints oil.

TIRES: 145 x 380 (5.5 x 15).

LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT: unobstructed 8½ cubic feet capacity under front hood; lined with felt; additional space by turning down rear

seat giving 6 cubic feet space (in fixed hardtop coupe 2 extra cubic feet under rear window).

BODY & STRUCTURE: all steel unitized construction (welded body and frame); panoramic windshield; wrap-around chrome plated bumpers front and rear; roll down framed windows concealed when opened; door sills finished with stamped aluminum plate.

PERFORMANCE: Top speed 80 miles an hour; economy of operation (up to 35 MPG at 50 MPH average); no brake fade; superb road-holding due to accurate weight distribution and 4-wheel independent AIR-STABLE suspension and rear engine.

SPECIAL FEATURES: Two doors, with accommodations for 4 passengers; key locks on both doors and engine compartment; exterior door handles have pushbutton release; arm rests and inside pockets on doors; windshield washer; courtesy lights at both ends of dash panel operated manually or by door switches; cigarette lighter; carpeting in rear seat section of car; front seats adjustable with tiltable backs; double-size rear seat with folding back and foam rubber padding; safety contoured door handles, all standard equipment.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS: 4-speed gearbox, with 2nd, 3rd and 4th fully synchronized; gear ratios: 1st, 3.7 to 1; 2nd, 2.1 to 1; 3rd, 1.46 to 1; 4th, 1.03 to 1; white sidewall tires; radio.

BODY STYLES: Convertible with soft top with vinyl window, retracts entirely into special recess closed by a protective boot. Convertible with detachable hard top of sheet steel with large rear window and 2 quarter-vent windows. Top is secured by 2 "anchors" at rear, 2 anchors at the body sides and 2 helical locking slide bolts to the windshield. Fixed hardtop coupe.

DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHT: Wheelbase 89 inches; overall length 167.8 inches; overall width 62 inches; ground clearance 7 inches; turning radius 15 feet. Weight in running order: hardtop coupe 1675 pounds, convertible 1645 pounds, convertible with hard top 1720 pounds.

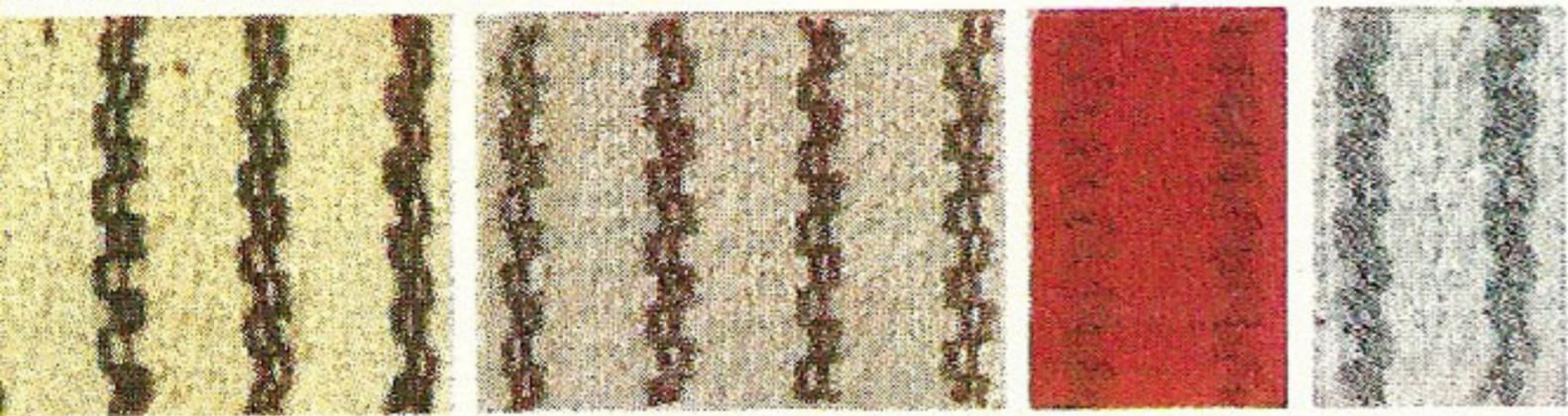


DASH PANEL AND INTERIOR . . . The curved dash panel is painted a mat pebble to prevent reflection and protective padding runs along the lower edge. All instruments, including the switches for windshield wipers and washer, are grouped in front of and in full view of the driver, while the controls for all lights and the two-tone horn are conveniently placed on the steering column. The glove compartment with push-button door and cigarette lighter are on the right of the dash and two courtesy lights are at each end and under the dash. Room has been reserved in the center for a radio. The steering wheel has a reinforced hub with a thick black rim (for anti-reflection) and the two spokes are finished in a tone to match the interior.

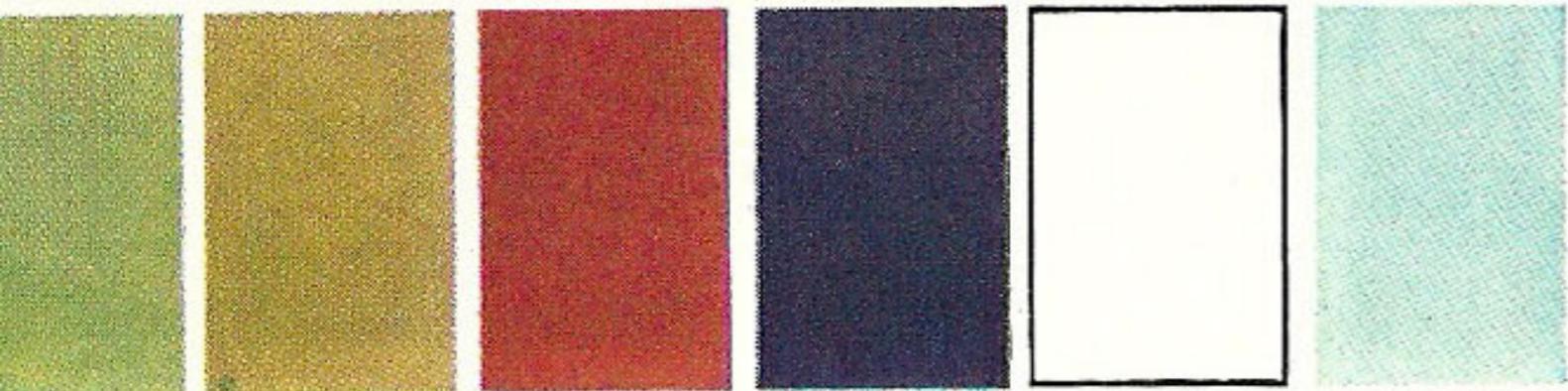




INTERIOR COLORS:
CONVERTIBLE AND
HARDTOP CONVERTIBLE



INTERIOR COLORS:
COUPE



EXTERIOR COLORS

BORNEO GREEN BAHAMAS YELLOW TRINIDAD RED HOGGAR BLUE KILIMANJARO WHITE NARVIK BLUE

COLORS AND UPHOLSTERY . . . Single-color exteriors in high fashion hues with blending interiors. Leatherette upholstery in the convertible and hardtop convertible — in the fixed hardtop coupe a combination of cloth and leatherette.

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