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Gemini wagon: A scene-stealer like sedan brother



Interior: Full foam reclining bucket seats



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What the 1980s demand, Gemini delivers. And in no way better than the great-looking Gemini station wagon – the multi-role family vehicle with the big reputation for low-cost operating and wonderful reliability.

Gemini's reputation is outstanding, and it's shared by the wagon, which has the same mechanicals as the sedan range – including the unique Radial Tuned Suspension



and all that means in ride, handling and comfort. Gemini's legendary and spirited 1.6 litre overhead-cam four-cylinder engine does everything you want it to – including delivering great fuel economy.

Gemini sets standards of interior quietness, and has met targets in corrosion protection with the extensive use of pre-coated steel in the body. Standard features on Gemini wagon include heated rear window, full foam reclining bucket seats, loop pile carpet, locking petrol cap, lockable glovebox, steel-belted radial tyres, damage-resistant bumper end caps, and three-speed heater/demister.

The one-piece rear door is counter-balanced on a gas-filled strut for ease of opening and closing, and the rear load compartment is automatically lit. The three-door Gemini design offers a positive safety benefit to families with small children and a load space benefit to owners who want to use the wagon as a wagon.

A full range of GMH factory options is available if you want to personalise your Gemini wagon. They include air conditioning, automatic transmission, five-speed manual transmission, cast alloy wheels, AM radio and stereo cassette player and remote control exterior mirrors.

But the best feature of all isn't optional, it's standard – outstanding Gemini value for money and downright low-cost, reliable, worry-free motoring. But more than that, it's a great road car, a fun car, a long-distance car as well as a suburban commuter. It isn't a baby wagon like the others, and it has the legendary backing of GMH service and spare parts Australia-wide.

Welcome to your Gemini wagon.



One piece rear door on gas strut



Dash features warning lamp readout.

Specifications

Engine

Four-cylinders, overhead camshaft, cross-flow aluminium head, with five-bearing crankshaft. Capacity 1584 cm³. Bore and stroke, 82.0 x 75.0 mm. RAC Rating 16.69.

Power output (manual transmission)

50kW (DIN) @ 5400 rpm. Torque 110 Nm (DIN) @ 3200 rpm. Compression ratio 8.3:1.

Transmissions

Standard. Four-speed all-synchromesh manual with floor shift. Gear ratios (to 1): First 3.467, second 1.989, third 1.355, fourth 1.00, reverse 3.50. Optional five-speed manual transmission and three-speed Trimatic automatic. Final drive ratio 3.90 to 1.

Fuel system

Two-barrel downdraft carburettor mounted on four-branch water-heated aluminium intake manifold, electrically-controlled automatic choke. Fuel tank capacity: 52 litres.

Electrical system

12-volt with 40-amp hour battery.

Cooling system

Six-litre capacity pressurised system with four-blade plastic fan. (With air conditioning a seven-blade plastic fan is fitted.)

Steering

Energy-absorbing steering column with flexible coupling to helical rack and pinion steering. Overall steering ratio 20.7 to 1. 4.2 turns lock to lock and a turning circle, kerb to kerb, of 9.5 metres.

Brakes

Front, 239 mm diameter discs, rear 229 mm drums, power-assisted.

Pressure-sensitive proportioning valve, dual master cylinder. Centrally-mounted handbrake operating on rear wheels.

Suspension

Radial Tuned Suspension: Front – independent with progressive-rate coil springs, control arms, telescopic shock absorbers. Decoupled stabiliser bar forward-mounted to lower control arm. Anti-dive geometry. Rear – live Salisbury-type rear axle with torque tube, two tubular trailing arms, Panhard rod, progressive-rate coil springs, telescopic shock absorbers, stabiliser bar attached to rear axle and underbody.

Wheels and tyres

Vented steel disc safety wheels 5.00JJ x 13 with ZR78S13 steel-belted radial ply tyres standard fitment, and low-profile ZR70S13 tyres optional.

Instruments and controls

Speedometer with odometer with trip meter, fuel and temperature gauges. Warning lights for brake system failure, parking brake, generator, oil pressure, high beam indicator, turn signal indicators. Column-mounted combination control for headlamp dip, headlamp flash, turn signals, screen washers, two-speed wipers; hazard warning switch mounted separately on column. Other on-dash features include headlamp switch, heating/cooling controls, blower fan switch, lockable glovebox, and switch for electrically-heated rear window.

Headlamps

High-intensity sealed tungsten headlamps rectangular 55 watt/65 watt.

Dimensions and weights

Wheelbase: 2404 mm. Track: Front – 1301 mm; Rear – 1305 mm. Overall length 4276 mm. Overall width 1570 mm. Estimated kerb weight 971 kg.

Options

Laminated tinted windscreen, integrated factory-fitted air conditioning, automatic transmission, five-speed manual transmission, 70-series tyres, AM radio/stereo cassette tape player, AM radio, with lock down aerial.

Routine service intervals

Since its introduction to Australia Holden Gemini has displayed outstanding reliability and a reputation for low-cost ownership – so much so that routine servicing is necessary only every 10,000 kilometres or six months.

GMH 12/20 warranty

Gemini is covered by the GMH warranty for the first 12 months or 20,000 kilometres.

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