

Rabbit Convertible. The thrill of the open road.

One of the classiest automobiles on the road today is a Volkswagen the Rabbit Convertible. Stylish, yet practical. Exciting, yet very refined.

Styled by the renowned Karmann Coachworks, the Rabbit Convertible exhibits superb quality of fit, finish and detail because it was designed as a convertible from top to bottom. The convertible top is weather-proofed and insulated against noise and cold by five distinct layers. The top has been ingeniously engineered for complete ease of operation. The rear window is made of glass, not plastic, and has an electric defroster. Under the roof there is a roll bar which is integrated with the unitized body. And the Rabbit Convertible has storage space for luggage even when the top is down.

Inside the Convertible you'll find luxury and style in the true European manner with leatherette seats or optional cloth sport seats, an AM/FM stereo cassette Sound System complete with four speakers (two front and two rear) and the convenience of front vent windows and left and right remote controlled outside mirrors.

The Rabbit Convertible is equipped with a 5-speed sport transmission or an optional 3-speed automatic trans-

mission. And this year the Rabbit Convertible has a new 1.8 litre fuel injection performance engine. A ne sport suspension system gives the Convertible nimble road holding to let you make the most of your top-down pleasure.

There's nothing to match the thril of a bright sunny day, a wide open highway and the Rabbit Convertible





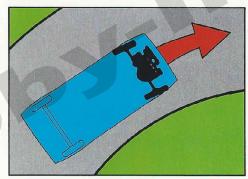


Every new Volkswagen is the best we've ever built.

On a regular basis Volkswagen removes one of its cars from the assembly line and literally tears it apart. Hundreds of quality inspectors dissect and examine every component. At random intervals Volkswagen engineers place a production car on a dynamometer for a gruelling 200,000 km test drive. Year by year these quality checks have led to thousands of refinements in technology and production technique, each one designed to improve on the original excellence of Volkswagen engineering. As a result, every car we build contains the sum total of Volkswagen's expertise. That's why every new Volkswagen we produce is the best we've ever built.

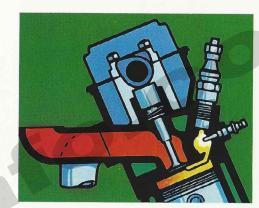
While Volkswagen always searches for ways to improve our product, we also recognize the value of sticking with an idea when that idea works.

One of the ideas that works so well for all Volkswagen cars is front-wheel drive. Volkswagen engineers have spent a decade perfecting front-wheel drive. Volkswagen believes it's the better system. It gives increased traction, better directional control and, because the engine is mounted transversely, there's extra room inside for passenger comfort.



Since the mid 1970's Volkswagen has developed four different engine variations, each one with its own special appeal.

For superlative fuel efficiency there's the 4-cylinder, 1.6 litre diesel engine. It also offers the best value



because no other diesel in Canada is priced lower than its gasoline counterpart. Volkswagen diesel technology delivered the best fuel economy rating of any car in Canada from 1978 to 1983*. And for an extra surge of power combined with Volkswagen diesel efficiency there's the 4-cylinder 1.6 litre turbo charged diesel engine which uses exhaust gases to create extra horsepower. Volkswagen Turbo Diesels incorporate some very sophisticated automotive technology to drive a turbine at speeds of up to 100,000 rpm!

If performance is more important to you than diesel efficiency, there's the 4-cylinder, 1.7 litre fuel injection gasoline engine. And if you're seeking still more driving excitement here's the 1.8 litre, 90 horsepower fuel injection performance engine available on the GTI and Rabbit Convertible.

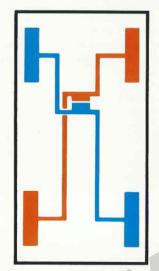
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Some of Volkswagen's engineerg developments are quite subtle,
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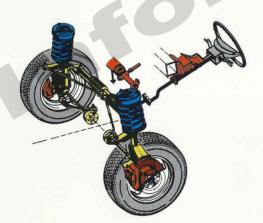


and drums at the rear, so you can slow down as confidently as you can accelerate. Dual diagonal brake circuits mean that if one circuit



should fail, you'll still have 50% of braking power to bring you to a stop.

And for further safety, Volkswagen's precise rack and pinion steering is set up with negative steering roll radius which provides added directional control under conditions which contribute to uneven roll resistance. For solid road manners and exceptional riding comfort, Volkswagen cars have independent MacPherson strut suspension up front and a unique T-bar stabilizer axle on the rear wheels to smooth out the roughest roads.



When one puts so much careful effort into the design and production of modern transportation, it's only common sense to make sure that it will look modern for years to come. Key areas of sheet metal prone to corrosion are sandwiched between

layers of zinc phosphate galvanization and electrophoretic primer coats. A PVC and wax/bitumen layer protects the underside from corrosion. A lustrous mirror-like outer finish is designed to retain its beauty for years. Every Volkswagen meets the Canadian Federal/Provincial Anti-corrosion Code which requires that vehicles remain free from perforation for 60 months or 200,000 kilometres, whichever occurs first.

Staying at the forefront of automotive design and engineering has always been Volkswagen's motivation.

That's why the Volkswagen you buy today is the best we've ever built.

There's a Rabbit built for you.

RABBIT L DIESEL—The Weltmeister (2- or 4-door)

Standard features and equipment at no extra charge

Economy/Durability

- Diesel engine, 1.6L/52 HP (optional 1.6L/68 HP turbo-diesel)
- Upshift Indicator Light
- Heavy duty battery and alternator
- Factory undercoating
- Heat and sound insulation
- Thermostatically controlled radiator cooling fan

Safety/Security

- Front-wheel drive
- Negative steering roll radius
- Power-assisted, pressure regulated, hydraulic dual diagonal brake system with disc brakes at front, drum brakes at rear
- · Brake fluid level warning light
- Oil pressure warning system
- · Coolant temperature gauge with warning light
- Steel belted radial tires
- Electric rear window defroster
- Side window defoagers
- Unitized, safety cell body construction
- Steering column mounted wiper/washer controls
- Headlight flasher with dimmer switch on turn signal
- Four-way hazard warning lights
- Collapsible steering column
- Three-speed, non-glare windshield wipers with intermittent setting
- Floor-mounted hand brake
- Inertia type front seat belts
- Lockable glove compartment
- Steering column lock
- Inside hood release
- Protective side door beams
- Anodized aluminium bumpers

Comfort/Convenience

- 3 + E manual transmission (Diesel)
- 4 + E manual transmission (Turbo Diesel)
- Rack and pinion steering
- Independent MacPherson strut front suspension, coil springs
- Independent stabilizer rear axle with coil springs
- Fully reclining, anatomically designed front bucket seats with adjustable headrests
- Three-speed high output heater/fresh air blower
- Adjustable ventilation controls
- Door operated light switch on front doors
- Wide opening rear cargo door
- Outside mirror, left
- Day/night inside rear view mirror
- Padded, adjustable sunvisors with vanity mirror on passenger side
- Carpeted swing-up rear compartment lid
- · Folding rear seat
- Door arm rests
- Coat hooks
- Trip odometer
- Electric quartz clock
- Tinted glass all around
- · Glove box light
- Luggage compartment light
- Illuminated ashtray, cigarette lighter and coin storage in front
- Rear seat ashtray

Decor/Trim

- Bright hubcaps
- · Rocker moulding, black
- · Body side mouldings
- Colour co-ordinated interiors
- Cut pile carpeting
- Rabbit L nameplate

RABBIT L GASOLINE (2- or 4-door)

Standard features and equipment different from or in addition to Rabbit L Diesel.

- Fuel injected (CIS) gasoline engine, 1.7L/76 HP
- Transistorized electronic ignition
- 4 + E manual transmission

RABBIT GL (4-door)

Standard features and equipment at no extra charge.

Different from or in addition to Rabbit L Gasoline

- 5J x 13 steel wheels
- 175/70 steel belted radial tires
- · Wheel opening flares
- · Bright window mouldings
- Bumper guards and impact strips
- Deluxe velour upholstery and seat trim
- Deluxe door trim with carpeted lower panels
- Integrated armrests
- Foil trim on window sills
- Roof mounted passenger assist handle (not with optional sunroof)
- Halogen headlights
- Fully carpeted luggage compartment
- Remote controlled outside mirrors, right and left
- Full wheel covers
- Wide lower body side mouldings

RABBIT GTI

Unique standard features and equipment at no extra charge.

Performance

- •1.8 L fuel injected performance engine, 90 HP
- 5-speed close ratio manual sport transmission
- Sport suspension system including front and rear stabilizer bars and specially calibrated springs and shocks
- Tuned exhaust system
- Power assisted, pressure regulated, hydraulic dual diagonal brake system, disc brakes at front with ventilated rotors

Exterior

- Black protective body side mouldings with accent striping
- Vinyl accent stripe on hatch door
- Black grille with red outer rim
- Black accent tape around hatchback window on Cashmere White and Diamond Silver Metallic models

- Black anodized aluminium bumpers
- Bumper guards and impact strips, front and real
- Black door handles
- · Black wheel opening flares
- Pliable colour-keyed front air dam
- Wiper arm air foil on driver's side
- Rear window wiper/washer
- Remote controlled outside mirrors, left and right
- Halogen headlights
- 6J x 14 light alloy wheels with steel spare
- 185/60 HR 14 steel belted radial tires
- Rabbit GTI nameplate

Interior

- "Hotstripe" velour sport seats with nylon trim
- Roof mounted passenger assist handle (not with optional sunroof)
- Soft armrests with integrated pull handles on front doors
- Special door trim design, including map pockets and full height vinyl door panel
- Centre console and special instrumentation:
- clock, voltmeter and oil temperature gauge in centre console
- instrument cluster panel in black pebble grain finish with red surround
- —tachometer in instrument panel
- · Sport steering wheel, black
- Intermittent windshield wiper/washer
- "Golfball" shift knob

RABBIT CONVERTIBLE

Standard features and equipment at no extra charge.

Exterior

- 1.8L fuel injected performance engine, 90 HP
- Sport suspension system including front and rea stabilizer bars and specially calibrated springs
- Insulated convertible top with integrated roll bar
- Special grille design with circular halogen headlights
- Lockable aas cap
- Dual tone horn
- Trunk lid5½J x 13 wheels

75/70 x 13 steel belted radial tires with white de walls

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Actallic paint available at no extra cost
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Throme trim rings with bright hubcaps

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-speed close ratio manual transmission M/FM stereo cassette Sound System with four beakers and integral fader control bigital clock in instrument panel cluster port steering wheel achometer in instrument panel cluster beatre console including:

- -oil pressure gauge
- -voltmeter
- oil temperature gauge
- -speed windshield wipers with intermittent etting

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ABBIT OPTIONS

e following are popular individual Rabbit options d option packages: assive restraint system (L, GL) (not available

vith Turbo Diesel sport package)

VM/FM pushbutton radio (L, GL, GTI)

VM/FM stereo pushbutton radio with cassette blayer (L, GL, GTI)

- Deluxe AM/FM stereo cassette Sound System with digital display (L, GL, GTI, Convertible)
- Dual rear speakers (L, GL, GTI)
- Radio prep package (L, GL, GTI)
- 1.6L Turbo-diesel engine (L)
- Turbo Diesel sport package (L Turbo Diesel) (not available with Passive Restraint system) includes:
- -5J x 13 light alloy wheels with steel spare
- Wheel opening mouldings
- Remote controlled outside mirrors, left and right
- Sport steering wheel
- Carpeted luggage compartment
- Front spoiler
- Bright window mouldings
- 3-speed automatic transmission (L gasoline, GL, Convertible)
- 5J x 13 steel wheels (std. on L Turbo Diesel, GL & Convertible)
- 5J x 13 light alloy wheels (4) with steel spare (L, GL)
- 5½J x 13 light alloy wheels (4) with steel spare (Convertible)
- 175/70 x 13 steel belted radial tires (L gasoline, std. on L Turbo Diesel and GL)
- Rear window wiper/washer (L, GL, std. on GTI)
- Sunroof with integral air deflector (L, GL, GTI)
- Power steering (L, GL, delayed introduction on Convertible)
- Cruise control (L gasoline and diesel, GL, GTI, Convertible)
- Floor mats, front and rear (L, GL, GTI)
- Engine block heater (L, GL, GTI)
- Air conditioning (L, GL, GTI, Convertible)
- Vent windows (L, GL, GTI)
- Special instrumentation (L gasoline, std. on GTI) includes:
- centre console with clock, oil temperature gauge and voltmeter
- Sport seats with matching cloth inlays in door panels (Convertible)
- Heatable front seats (Convertible)

Rabbit colours

Please ask your Volkswagen dealer to show you paint and trim samples and interior/exterior colour combinations.

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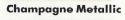
Mars Red Diamond Silver
Metallic



Pewter Grey Metallic







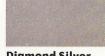


Bronze Grey Metallic









*Extra charge

Black

Cashmere White

Diamond Silver Metallic*

4 RABBIT SPECIFICATIONS

Туре	Water-cooled, transverse front mounted
No. of cylinders	Four in line, single overhead cam
e & Stroke (1.7 L gas) (1.8 L gas) liesel & turbo-diesel)	79.5 mm x 86.4 mm/3.13 in. x 3.40 in. 81.0 mm x 86.4 mm/3.19 in. x 3.40 in. 76.5 mm x 86.4 mm/3.01 in. x 3.40 in.
lacement (1.7 L gas) (1.8 L gas) diesel & turbo-diesel	1.7 L/105.0 cu. in. 1.8 L/109.0 cu. in. 1.6 L/97.0 cu. in.
HP @ rpm (1.7 L gas) (1.8 L gas) (diesel) (turbo-diesel)	76 HP @ 5,000 rpm 90 HP @ 5,500 rpm 52 HP @ 4,800 rpm 68 HP @ 4,500 rpm
net torque (1.7 L gas) (1.8 L gas) (diesel) (turbo-diesel)	91.3 ft. lbs. @ 3,000 rpm 100.0 ft. lbs. @ 3,000 rpm 71.5 ft. lbs. @ 2,000 rpm 98.0 ft. lbs. @ 2,800 rpm
sion ratio (1.7 L gas) (1.8 L gas) diesel & turbo-diesel)	8.2:1 8.5:1 23.0:1
vel system (1.7 L gas) (1.8 L gas) (diesel) (turbo-diesel)	CIS fuel injection, non-catalyst CIS fuel injection, catalytic converter Mechanical diesel injection pump Mechanical diesel injection pump with exhaust driven turbocharger
uirements (1.7 L gas) (1.8 L gas) diesel & turbo-diesel)	Regular Unleaded fuel only (catalytic converter) Diesel fuel No. 2
l Capacity (gasoline) diesel & turbo-diesel)	Rabbit: 37.9 L/8.3 imp. gal. Convertible: 40.0 L/8.8 imp. gal. 41.6 L/9.2 imp. gal.
Capacity (incl. filter)	4.4 L/3.9 imp. qts.
Battery	12V/63 Amp/h

ENGINE (Cont.) Alternator	65 Amp.			
Type of ignition (gasoline) (diesel & turbo-diesel)	Transistorized electronic (breakerless) Compression ignition			
DRIVE TRAIN Type	Front-wheel drive with two constant velocity joints per drive shaft			
Clutch	Dry, single plate			
Manual transmissions	Fully synchronized 3 + E (4-speed) std. on L Diesel; 4 + E std. on L Turbo Diesel and L and GL gasoline; fully synchronized close ratio 5-speed std. on GTI and Convertible.			
Automatic transmissions	Three-speed automatic transmission with torque converter (not available on L Diesel or Turbo Diesel or GTI)			
Gear ratios	(3+E manual) 3.45/1.75/1.60/ 0.70/R 3.17 (4+E manual) 3.45/1.94/1.29/0.91/ 0.71/R 3.17 (5-speed manual, GTI and Convertible only) 3.45/2.12/1.44/ 1.13/0.89/R 3.17 (automatic) 2.55/1.45/1.00/R 2.46			
Final drive	(manual) 3 + E 3.89 4 + E 3.89 5-speed 3.94 (automatic) 3.57			

NSUMPTION*	AND PERI	FORMANCE
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	4 + E 5-Speed		3 + E 4-Speed	4 + E 5-Speed	4 + E 5-Speed Manual	GTI 5-Speed	Convertible 5-Speed	Convertible
	Manual Gasoline 1.7L	Automatic Gasoline 1.7L	Manual Diesel 1.6L	Manual Diesel 1.6L	Turbo Diesel 1.6L	Manual Gasoline 1.8L	Manual Gasoline 1.8L	Automatic Gasoline 1.8L
L/100 km L/100 km py L/100 km	7.2 9.6 5.5	8.2 10.1 7.1	4.3 5.3 3.6	4.9 6.2 3.9	4.9 6.2 4.0	7.9 10.0 6.5	8.0 10.1 6.5	8.5 10.3 7.3
d (km/h)	152	152	136	136	**	**	**	**
tion 0-80 km/h (sec.)	8.6	10.0	11.4	11.4	**	**	**	**

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vailable at time of printing.

CHASSIS	Body	Aerodynamic, all steel unitized, bolt-on front fenders, passenger compartment designed as safety cell, front and rear designed to absorb impact energy (Rabbit Convertible with integrated roll bar)
	Front suspension	Independent MacPherson struts, negative steering roll radius, coil springs (GTI & Convertible with additional stabilizer bar)
	Rear suspension	Independent stabilizer axle with coil springs mounted on shock absorber struts (GTI & Convertible with additional stabilizer bar)
	Braking system	Power-assisted, hydraulic, dual diagonal brake circuits with disc brakes at front (with ventilated rotors on GTI) and self-adjusting drum brakes at rear
	Parking brake	Mechanical, effective on rear wheels
	Rim size	4½J x 13; 5J x 13 std. on L Turbo Diesel, GL and Convertible; 6J x 14 light alloy std. on GTI
	Tire Type/Size	Tubeless radial ply steel belted; 155/80 x 13; 175/70 x 13 BSW on L Turbo Diesel and GL; 175/70 x 13 WSW on Convertible; 185/60 HR 14 BSW on GTI
8	Steering system	Rack and pinion steering with energy absorbing steering wheel and column, plus maintenance-free tie rods
	Turning circle	Approx. 9.5 m, 31.2 ft. (curb to curb)

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