

1984 VOLKSWAGEN

# VANAGON



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Many years ago, Volkswagen pioneered the development of the van.

The 1984 Vanagon is the latest offering of this leadership technology.

No other van offers you and your family as much room and versatility in so compact and streamlined a space.

And now, with its new Water Boxer engine, the Vanagon performs with a power and nimbleness that auto experts have likened to that of a sedan.

For lovers of the great outdoors, the Vanagon Camper is the perfect travelling companion. Its long list of conveniences, including the kitchen sink, make it the most practical home-away-from-home ever conceived.

The 1984 Vanagon is more than just an outstanding value.

It is the state of the art of vans.

### THE 1984 VOLKSWAGENS. HEIRS TO A GREAT TRADITION.

Many years ago, a dedicated group of German engineers created the Volkswagen Beetle. It was more than a new car. It was a philosophy



of transportation. And it changed forever the way Americans looked at the automobile.

The Beetle incorporated ideas never before associated with a car. Ideas like: reliability, efficiency, durability, common sense, lasting value, fun to drive.

America never saw anything like it before. But it liked what it saw.

### EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED.

Today, we still build these ideas into each and every 1984 Volkswagen. We continue to drive the avenues of innovation. We believe, not in gimmickry, but in advanced technology. And we will always dare to be different where it is meaningful.

We will not, for example, introduce styling changes every year simply for the sake of change. We think it's wasteful and detracts from the lasting value of the car. Instead, we design a Volkswagen not according to the whim of popular trends, but according to the natural laws of aerodynamics. This assures that your ability to

save money on fuel will never go out of style.

Volkswagen does not announce arbitrary annual "engineering breakthroughs." Instead, we believe in a continual process of refinement and improvement. As good as a Volkswagen is, it is never good enough. We constantly re-evaluate every part of every Volkswagen to see how we can make a good thing even better. So far, we've made over 15,000 changes and improvements on the Rabbit alone. And we're not through yet.

Nowhere is Volkswagen's pursuit of excellence more single-minded than in the area of quality control. Every part of every Volkswagen undergoes several inspections. First, under the unblinking eye of a computer. Then, under the sensitive fingers of an inspector. We're not sure who's tougher, but neither will let a Volkswagen out of the factory until it's Volkswagen perfect.

Finally, Volkswagen's idea of true economy is not merely saving you money. It's giving you more than you expect.

### ENGINEERED FOR DRIVING FUN.

The pleasure of owning a Volkswagen is surpassed only by the pleasure of driving one. This shouldn't be surprising. Volkswagens are designed by German engineers. Their passion for technical excellence is legendary. Volkswagens are also designed for Germans. Their passion for performance is just as exacting.

There are no speed limits on the autobahns. A Volkswagen must be able to cruise at steady speeds for hours on end.

Germany is crossed by some of the most rugged roads in Europe. A Volkswagen must be able to negotiate each tortuous curve effortlessly.

Germany boasts some of the most demanding drivers in the world. A Volkswagen must become one with the driver so that every driving command can be executed swiftly.

So if you take your driving just as seriously here in America, get behind the wheel of a Vanagon. You can count on driving pleasure day after day. Year after year.

That's what makes a Volkswagen a Volkswagen.



## THE VANAGON HAS NOW BECOME A "MOVING" VAN.

Everyone who drives the Vanagon for the first time is absolutely stunned by its performance. The reason for this moving experience is the new 1.9 liter Water Boxer engine.

It's a full 22% more powerful than the engine it replaced. It's even smarter. It has a unique Digi-Jet fuel-injection system that monitors the fuel and air mixture for maximum output.

If you're looking for the Water Boxer, don't look in the front of the Vanagon. It's in the rear, where an engine belongs in a van — right over the rear axle for maximum traction.

This arrangement helps keep engine noise low. Provides more passenger room. And distributes front-to-rear weight almost equally.

Of course, the ultimate test of any engine is its road performance. And here other vans must take a back seat to the Vanagon.

The Water Boxer, coupled with a 4-speed manual transmission, provides outstanding mid-range acceleration at the speeds you use most frequently.

The Vanagon also sports both rack-and-pinion steering

and 4-wheel independent suspension. Its handling and responsiveness is more akin to a sedan than to a van.

But don't think you have to find tricky S-curves to enjoy the Vanagon's impressive road manners. It's just as much at home in the city maneuvering effortlessly in and out of traffic and tight parking spaces.

The Vanagon is another example of Volkswagen ingenuity. You gain the power and performance of a sedan without losing any of the carrying capacity or versatility of a van.



Marula red/Darmstadt white Vanagon with optional AM/FM stereo cassette with 4 speakers and antenna. Above and opposite page.









Left to right: Marrala red/Damuso white Vanagon—Pastel white Vanagon Camper—Vanagon GL with optional Dove blue metallic and sunroof.

## THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE A VANAGON CAMPER.



Rear bench seat converts to a double bed.

Storage space above engine compartment and upper bunk bed accommodates two more.

The Vanagon Camper is truly a Volkswagen original.

It had to be conceived by both a German engineer and lover of the great outdoors.

The German engineer endowed the Vanagon Camper with superb traction and handling to make sure you enjoy the ride to the camping grounds.

The lover of great outdoors turned it into a home-away-

from-home to make sure you enjoy your stay.

The first thing you'll notice on the Camper is its unique pop-top. This raises the roof enough so that even six-footers can stand tall. A skylight lets the daylight and moonlight in. And protective mosquito netting keeps the bugs out.

The bench seat folds down into a double bed. With the

pop-top up, another double bunk is revealed. These double beds provide comfortable sleeping quarters for four. And when meal time rolls around the area serves as a dining room, complete with kitchenette. Both front bucket seats swivel around to face swing-out tables for gracious dining.

Extra storage space for food and clothing is found in every

corner. Other homey touches are sliding windows and screens, plus two 110 Volt outlets for small appliances, like a TV.

So if you enjoy cross country travelling, or occasionally just sleeping out under the stars, get behind the wheel of a Vanagon Camper.

You'll feel right at home.





## AN OPEN HOUSE TOUR OF THE VANAGON CAMPER.

A quick walk inside the Vanagon Camper will acquaint you with all its major household facilities.

In the kitchenette you'll find the 2-burner LP gas stove with the light above it. Next to it is a sink supplied by a 10.5 gallon tank. Both are covered by a heat resistant counter top.

A curtained sliding window ventilates the area. Both front bucket seats can swivel around to use the swing-out dining tables.



A gas/electric refrigerator and food cupboard hold a healthy supply of food.

The bench seat folds down to form one double bed, while the pop-top hides another.

Storage compartments are located throughout the Camper:

A small cupboard next to the refrigerator.

An extra space for bedding under the seat.

A clothes locker with mirrored door.

An overhead all-purpose cabinet.

A 3-drawer closet that holds clothes.

And to show that Volkswagen believes in the quality and durability of these facilities, a limited warranty covers both the Camper and the equipment.





## Technical Specifications

**POWER AND DRIVE TRAIN** 4-cylinder horizontally opposed overhead valve Water-Boxer gasoline engine, rear mounted, hydraulic valve lifters, light alloy crankcase and cylinder head with wet cast iron cylinder sleeves, crankshaft mounted on three main bearings, pump driven oil pressure system with full flow oil filter, pressurized cooling system with recovery tank, thermostatically controlled two-speed electric radiator fan, digital AFC fuel injection with closed-loop Lambda sensing.

Displacement	117 cu. in. (1915 cc)	Horsepower	82 @ 4800 rpm (SAE net)	Compression ratio	8.6:1
Bore	3.70 in. (94.0 mm)	Max. Torque	105.5 ft. lbs. @ 2600 rpm.	Fuel requirement	Unleaded
Stroke	2.72 in. (69.0 mm)				

Breakerless electronic ignition, three-phase diode controlled alternator - 14V 65 Amp max., Battery - 12 V/54 Amp./hr., single disc, dry clutch, hydraulically operated.

Transaxle:

4-speed manual transmission with overdrive cruise ratio.

3.78:1 / 2.06:1 / 1.26:1 / 0.85:1 Final 4.86:1 Rear wheel drive, twin-shaft with double constant velocity joints (maintenance free).

**BODY, SUSPENSION, BRAKES AND STEERING** Van-type vehicle with sliding side door and swing up tail gate, unitized construction with cross and side members, energy absorbing front and rear bumpers, four-wheel independent suspension, front with upper and lower control arm, rear with semi-trailing arms, coil springs and double action shock absorbers, twin circuit hydraulic brake system, power-assist with inertia-controlled rear pressure regulator, fist caliper discs, front, drums, rear (self-adjusting), rack and pinion steering with offset gear box and 0° steering roll radius.

<b>DIMENSIONS, WEIGHTS, TIRES AND PERFORMANCE</b>	Overall length - 179.9 in.	Total load capacity - 201 cu. ft.
	Width - 72.6 in.	Trunk capacity, rear - 49.7 cu. ft.
	Overall height - 77.2 (unladen)	Fuel tank - 15.9 gal. U.S.
	Wheelbase - 96.9 in.	Curb weight - 3296 lbs.
	Track frt./rear - 62.4/61.8 in.	Steel wheels 5 1/2" x 14 with steel-belted 185 R 14 radials.
	Ground clearance - 7.5 in.	Acceleration 0-50 mph / 12.2 seconds with manual transmission.

Turning circle (curb to curb) - 34.5 ft. EPA estimated (19) mpg., 25 estimated Hwy mpg.\*

**STANDARD EQUIPMENT**

Exterior: Energy absorbing bumpers, round headlights with solenoid controlled ignition override, break-away outside rear view mirrors, body cavity wax coating and full factory undercarriage wax coating, steel wheel rims with full wheel covers, graphite colored drip rail molding.

Interior: Dashboard with full instrumentation, including speedometer with trip-odometer, quartz crystal clock, lockable glove compartment, vanity mirror, safety steering wheel with energy-absorbing and collapsible column, stalks mounted on steering column controlling high beam, turn signal, passing light, two-speed wiper with intermittent and wipe/wash cycle, door switch controlled courtesy light, reclining front bucket seats with frame type head restraints, 3-point inertia reel seat belts-front, lap belts, rear, illuminated ash-tray with cigarette lighter, fold down 3-seater rear bench, sliding side door, electric rear window defroster, full width rear tail gate.

Heating and Comfort Control: Flow-through fresh-air ventilation with 3-speed blower-assist, multidirectional heated and fresh-air distribution system with illuminated control panel, overhead fresh-air outlets, separate 3-stage blower-assisted rear heater.

**OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT** 3-speed Automatic, AM/FM stereo radio with cassette player and 4 speakers, radio prep. consisting of 4 speakers antenna and suppression, sunroof, air conditioner (N/A with sunroof), metallic paint (GL only), cloth upholstery, tinted glass, rear window wiper/washer.

"GL" package consisting of Deluxe velour upholstery with fold down arm rests, reading light in rear, tinted glass, Deluxe paint treatment, cloth inlays on door and side trim panels.

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EPA estimated mpg: Rabbit L diesel 47, Rabbit L/GL gas 31, GTI 26, Convertible 27, Jetta 43, Quantum 20, Vanagon 19, Scirocco 27.

\*Use the estimated mpg for comparison to others. Your actual mileage may vary depending on speed, weather and trip length. Your Highway mileage will probably be less.

## THE 1984 VANAGON IS PART OF VOLKSWAGEN'S COMPLETE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.

The Vanagon has a new fuel-injected Water Boxer engine that's 22% more powerful and 19% more fuel efficient\* than its predecessor. Both the Vanagon and Vanagon Camper offer a unique combination of interior space, fuel efficiency and sedan-like performance and ride. Once again, Volkswagen asserts its technical leadership in the van market.

So when you choose your Volkswagen, choose it with confidence.

You'll not only enjoy it, you'll enjoy it for many years to come.

### A CHOICE OF VOLKSWAGENS.

If a Vanagon doesn't fit your particular driving needs, perhaps one of the four other Volkswagens below does. Whichever you select, you can be sure that it is completely and fully a Volkswagen.

Every Volkswagen is a model of value and efficiency.\* It offers the kind of reliability and durability you don't expect to find in any kind of product these days. It is designed with a Germanic passion for performance and technical excellence. And it will be fun to drive, and drive and drive.

### RABBIT

The Rabbit is the Volkswagen benchmark of small family hatchbacks. It offers proven design. Excellent fuel efficiency.\* Responsive performance. A high level of standard equipment. And extraordinary value.

The Rabbit Diesel has the lowest price and the highest



mileage\* of any Volkswagen, and is the value leader in its class.

The GTI offers dazzling performance at a very modest price.

And the Convertible lets you enjoy open-air driving with exhilarating performance.

### JETTA

The Jetta is the most affordable German sedan in the world. You enjoy excellent room, comfort and fuel efficiency\* without sacrificing handling or performance. Its technical excellence makes it superior in value to European sedans costing much more.

### QUANTUM

The Quantum is a grand touring car that exemplifies the essence of German engineering. Discriminating car buyers choose it for its contemporary styling, outstanding performance and high level of standard comfort and convenience features.

### SCIROCCO

The high performance characteristics of the Scirocco go hand-in-hand with its championship racing heritage. This German sports car offers handling and performance in its most intelligent and practical form.

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\*see specifications for EPA estimates and disclaimer

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