



# VANAGON



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## VANAGON. THE MOST VERSATILE ROOM ON THE ROAD.

**Forty years ago, Volkswagen pioneered the original mini-van. As a result of continuous**

improvement and innovation, Volkswagen now offers seven unique models of Vanagon to meet your driving and recreational needs. The Vanagon, Vanagon GL and Vanagon Carat are 7-passenger vans that provide more cargo and passenger space than any other mini-van. Multivan and Camper GL are weekday family



vans that become your home-away-from-home when you head for the country. And Vanagon Syncro 4WD and Camper GL Syncro 4WD give you the unique benefits of four wheel drive technology. All Vanagons are easy to handle and fun to drive. 

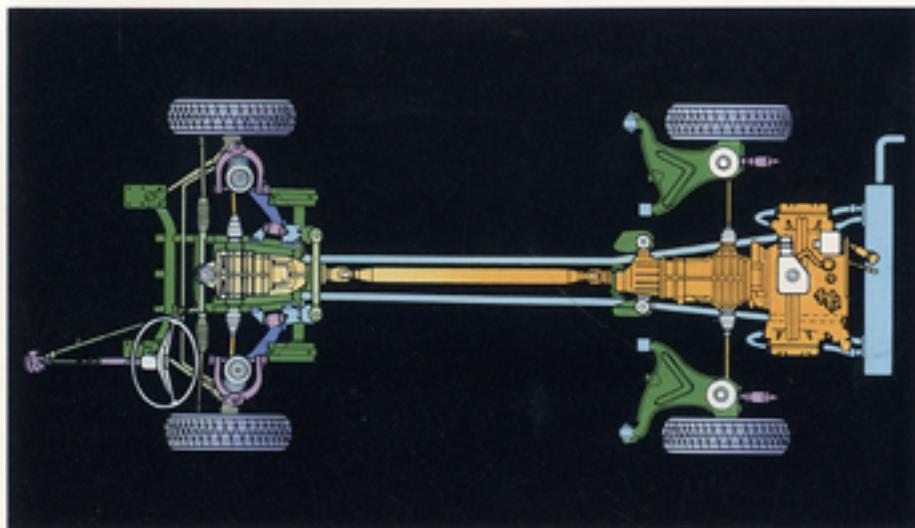
And all combine the comfort and carrying capacity of a van with many of the handling characteristics of a passenger wagon. Vanagon's engineering elements work together to provide the distinctive European driving experience we call Fahrvergnügen.  The unique sensation you feel only when you drive a Volkswagen. You can experience this feeling for yourself by driving a Vanagon. You'll find it to be one of the roomiest and most versatile vehicles on the road.



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*Pile in the cargo. Vanagon's 2.1 liter fuel injected engine delivers enough torque to let you handle loads of up to one ton. Vanagon does more than offer an immense amount of carrying capacity. It also performs well on many kinds of roads and in varying traffic situations. It's equally adept at cruising as it is at working. Vanagon's versatility will tempt you to go places you've never been before. Vanagon's performance will help get you there with ease.*





▲ Vanagon Syncro 4WD and Camper GL Syncro 4WD offer the benefits of a unique form of four wheel drive. Under normal conditions, Syncro delivers power to the rear wheels. But if the rear wheels begin to lose traction, Syncro's four wheel drive system automatically engages to deliver power to the front wheels as needed. The result is greater traction and directional control. To utilize this all wheel drive to the fullest, Syncro 4WDs are equipped with an extra low gear, higher ground clearance and a larger fuel tank.

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begins to twist and turn. But you and your family remain secure. Vanagon's independent suspension, power assisted rack and pinion steering and power front disc brakes deliver smooth, responsive handling. On the highway, Vanagon cruises steadily for hours with solid reassurance. And in the city, it easily handles the necessities of day-to-day life.





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week, you can use your Multivan and Camper GL like a family wagon. On the weekend, you can head for the hills. Multivan and Camper GL's comfort and roadworthiness make getting there half the fun. Back roads become irresistible. You can enjoy these Vanagons seven days a week, all year long. It's the kind of all-around versatility you won't find in any other mini-van.

▼ Camper GL and Multivan's already generous storage and carrying capacity is increased by the addition of a standard roof top luggage carrier.



▲ Multivan is a seven passenger weekday mini-van that becomes your home-away-from-home when you head for your favorite recreation area.





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sure proof that big things come in small packages. Because Vanagon has more interior room than any other mini-van. It can accommodate seven adults plus their luggage. For even more room, the rear seat folds down to expand the luggage capacity to 92.9 cubic feet. And by removing the center seats, the cargo area expands to a full 201 cubic feet. Vanagon's seating is as comfortable as it is flexible.

► Multivan provides comfortable seating for seven as well as a wide range of travel amenities that include a pop-top roof, two double-bedded sleeping areas, a clothes locker, window screens and a folding rear bench seat.





◀ Vanagon's instrument panel places all instrumentation in your line of sight, keeps all controls within fingertip reach and provides analog gauges for clarity.



▲ Extra support and quality is engineered into Vanagon GL's velour seating, allowing for hours of comfortable long distance riding.



► The rear bench seat on all Vanagons folds down and converts to a comfortable double bed.



◀ (Top) Vanagon Carat is equipped with two quick-release removable rear facing seats and a folding table that forms an informal dining area. An auxiliary light and cupholders complete the setting.

▲ Vanagon features 49.7 cubic feet of cargo space. Its easy opening liftgate provides unobstructed accessibility for loading and unloading of cargo.

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*middle of nowhere. But you're enjoying all the comforts of home. A pop-top roof with a skylight. Two separate sleeping areas with double beds. A well equipped kitchen. A dining area. Lots of storage space. Even electricity and running water. Camper GL is uniquely furnished to make you feel right at home. Anywhere.*





◀ To help you enjoy your meals in complete comfort, Camper G1's front bucket seats conveniently swivel to face a swing-out table.

▼ Camper G1's kitchen provides a two-burner LP gas stove on which you can prepare gourmet meals. Dishes can be washed in the convenient sink supplied by a 10.5 gallon water tank.

▼ Camper G1's kitchen includes a refrigerator to keep groceries cold and fresh until you use them. A nearby cupboard provides another convenient storage place for food.



▲ Camper G1's rear bench seat holds two people comfortably and serves as a lounge area when camping. The dining table conveniently swings out of the way.

▲ Camper G1's folding rear bench seat converts to a comfortable double bed. Under seat storage provides a handy place to keep pillows and blankets.

**V**anagon is a true original. It's designed with an interior spaciousness that makes other mini-vans seem truly mini. And it's engineered to provide a high level of comfort, performance and versatility. A number of optional enhancements are available to make Vanagon an even greater pleasure to own. But the best way to appreciate Vanagon is with a test drive. It's the surest way to discover the distinctive European driving experience we call *Fahrvergnügen*.



► Optional on all Vanagons is a four speaker AM/FM stereo cassette sound system that lets you enjoy your favorite music while driving or relaxing. The radio features anti-theft coding.



► Standard on the Vanagon GL, Carat, Multivan and Camper GL is a rear wiper/washer to keep the rear window clear in inclement weather. All Vanagon models provide a standard rear window defroster.



◀ For improved rear visibility and greater driving safety, oversized power remote controlled outside mirrors with built-in electric defrosters are standard (optional on Vanagon).

► Vanagon's design makes it the perfect vehicle to meet the needs of the physically challenged. The low floor helps make entry and exit easier. The large sliding side door accommodates most wheelchair lifts. And the interior headroom is higher than many other vans. Call 1-800-444-VWUS to request a video tape which describes how suitable Vanagon is for this purpose.

◀ Durable, lightweight alloy wheels are standard on Vanagon Carat, Multivan and Camper GL. Syncro, and optional on Vanagon GL and Camper GL.



**R** realizing that

the *Fahrvergnügen* experience also involves choice, Vanagon offers a unique selection of paint colors from which to choose. A comprehensive 26-step anti-corrosion, paint and finish process will help keep your Volkswagen looking new for many years to come.



- 1 Tornado Red
- 2 Orly Blue Metallic
- 3 Flash Silver Metallic
- 4 Bordeaux Red Pearl Metallic
- 5 Pastel White

Not all colors are available on all models. Consult the 1991 Volkswagen Color and Upholstery Guide for color selections on the model of your choice.

## Standard Features

Vanagon	Vanagon	GL	Carat	Multivan	Camper GL	Competition
Fahrvergnügen	S	S	S	S	S	
2.1 liter, 90HP, 4-cylinder fuel injected engine	S	S	S	S	S	
4-speed manual transmission; power assisted rack and pinion steering	S	S	S	S	S	
Extra low gear; locking rear differential; automatic engaging four wheel drive (Synco models only)	S	-	-	-	S	
Air conditioning	0	S	S	S	S	
Independent front and rear suspension (lowered on Vanagon, GL, Carat and Multivan)	S	S	S	S	S	
Power assisted front disc and rear drum brakes	S	S	S	S	S	
Rectangular halogen headlamps	S	S	S	S	S	
205/70R14 steel belted radial tires; 185/70R14C steel belted radial tires on Vanagon and Vanagon Synco	S	S	S	S	S	
<b>Exterior</b>						
Integrated accent colored bumpers with front spoiler and accent colored rocker panel covers	-	S	S	S	-	
Integrated black front and rear bumpers with front spoiler; left front splashguard	-	-	-	-	S	
Sliding side door; sliding side windows; tinted glass (optional on Vanagon)	S	S	S	S	S	
Two-speed wipers with intermittent feature; rear window washer (optional on Vanagon); dual color keyed power mirrors (dual mirrors on Vanagon)	-	S	S	S	S	
Pop-up top with double bed	-	-	-	S	S	
Roof top storage rack	-	-	-	S	S	
Water hook-up; 110 volt electric outlet for external connection	-	-	-	-	S	
5 1/2 x 14 steel wheels with center cap (Vanagon, Vanagon Synco); full wheel covers on GL and Camper GL models; 6J x 14 alloy wheels (Carat, Multivan, Camper GL Synco)	S	S	S	S	S	
<b>Interior</b>						
Full instrumentation including speedometer, tachometer, trip odometer, fuel gauge, water temperature gauge, digital clock, warning chimes and lights (analog clock replaces tachometer on Vanagon)	S	S	S	S	S	
Padded dashboard with illuminated glove box and map light; illuminated right hand vanity mirror (not illuminated on Vanagon)	S	S	S	S	S	
Driver's door pockets	S	S	S	S	S	
Storage area under rear bench seat	S	S	S	S	S	
Cruise control, central locking system, power windows (*Synco model only)	-	-	S	S	*S	
Courtesy lights; electric rear window defogger; rear heater; 4 speaker sound system preparation	S	S	S	S	S	
Tweed upholstered front seats with see-through headrests (Vanagon); deluxe velour seats with front and rear headrests; front seats with fold down adjustable armrests (swivel front seats on Camper GL)	S	S	S	S	S	
Two rearward facing removable folding seats; center position two passenger folding bench seat on Vanagon GL	S	S	S	S	-	
Folding rear bench seat converts to a bed	S	S	S	S	S	
3-point seatbelts for front and rear outboard positions, center lap belt for rear seat (rear lap belts only on Multivan and Camper GL)	S	S	S	S	S	
Full floor cut pile carpeting, cloth door trim, color keyed headliner (vinyl headliner and door trim panels, rubber floor covering on Vanagon)	S	S	S	S	S	
Left side panel with integrated armrest, fold away table, 5 cup holders and privacy curtains	-	-	S	S	-	
Camper features: removable carpet, 110/12-volt/IP gas refrigerator, LP gas stove/tank, sink and water tank, two-way water faucet, two stow away tables, additional lighting, fire extinguisher, battery check light, privacy curtains, side window and rear hatch screens	-	-	-	-	S	
Camper storage: 3-door clothes locker, overhead cabinet, pantry with utensil drawer, plus additional storage	-	-	-	-	S	
Multivan includes a rear clothes locker, privacy curtains, window and rear hatch screens	-	-	-	S	-	
<b>Option Packages</b>						
	<b>P89</b>		<b>P90</b>		<b>P91</b>	
Alloy wheels, cruise control, power locks, power windows (Vanagon GL and Camper GL)	-		-		0	
Air conditioning, rear wiper, tinted glass, full wheel covers (Vanagon and Vanagon Synco)	0		-		-	
Same options as P89 plus a Convenience Group (Mobility Access Group) that includes: power locks, windows and mirrors, cruise control and auxiliary battery (Vanagon and Vanagon Synco)	-		0		-	
Other available options: 3-speed automatic transmission; 4 speaker AM/FM stereo cassette sound system with theft deterrent coding system						



#### Engine

	Vanagon/GL/Carat/Multivan/Camper GL
Engine type	4-cylinder, horizontally opposed
Displacement	129 cu. in.
Horsepower @ RPM (SAE net)	90 @ 4,800
Maximum torque ft.-lbs. @ RPM	117.3 @ 3,200
Engine arrangement	Rear mounted
Valve train	Pushrod operated overhead valves, hydraulic lifters
Drive train	Rear wheel drive (4-wheel drive on Syncro models)
Cooling system	Water cooled, thermostatically controlled electric radiator fan (2-speed)
Fuel/air supply	Fuel injection (Digifant)
Fuel requirement	Regular unleaded
Emission system	3-way catalyst, oxygen sensor

#### Electrical

Battery	12 volt, 63 amp/hr
Alternator	14 volt, 90 amp/hr max
Ignition	Electronic (breakerless)

#### Body, Chassis and Suspension

Type	Unitized construction
Front suspension	Independent with upper and lower control arms, coil springs, telescopic shock absorbers
Rear suspension	Independent with semi-trailing arms, coil springs, telescopic shock absorbers
Steering	Power assisted rack and pinion
Brakes	Dual hydraulic system with power assisted 10.9" front discs, 9.9" rear drums with inertia-controlled regulator
Parking brake	Mechanical to rear wheels
Wheels and tires	5 1/2 J x 14 steel wheels with 185/70R14C steel belted radial tires (Vanagon and Vanagon Syncro); 205/70R14C steel belted radial tires (all other models); 6 J x 14 alloy wheels (Carat, Camper GL Syncro and Multivan)

#### Capacities

Engine oil	4.8 quarts with filter
Fuel capacity	15.9 U.S. gallons; 18.4 U.S. gallons (Syncro models)
Cooling system	16.9 quarts

#### Dimensions

Exterior		Syncro models	Cargo space
Wheelbase	96.9"	96.7"	49.7 cu. ft. (rear seat up)
Overall length	179.9"	179.9"	92.9 cu. ft. (rear seat down)
Overall width	72.6"	72.6"	201.0 cu. ft. (rear seat down, center seats removed)
Overall height	75.9"	78.3"	
Camper height	80.9"	82.1"	
Track (front/rear)	62.4"/61.8"	61.7"/61.4"	
Turning circle (curb to curb)	35.8 ft.		
Seating capacity	7 passengers; Camper GL and Camper GL Syncro seat 4		

#### EPA Mileage Estimates/Performance Data\*

	City	Highway	0-50 MPH	0-60 MPH	Top track speed
4-speed manual	18	19	10.3 sec.	14.2 sec.	88 MPH
3-speed automatic	17	17	10.8 sec.	16.8 sec.	85 MPH
4-speed manual (Syncro models)	16	16	11.7 sec.	-	84 MPH

\* 1991 EPA estimates

**D**rive your

*new Vanagon with confidence. It's built to withstand the challenges of the road. And designed to enhance your level of driving exhilaration for as long as you own it. Every Vanagon is protected by a 2-year/24,000 mile bumper-to-bumper limited warranty against defects in materials and workmanship, a 5-year/50,000 mile limited powertrain warranty and a 6-year limited warranty against corrosion and rust perforation. See your authorized Volkswagen dealer for details.*



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