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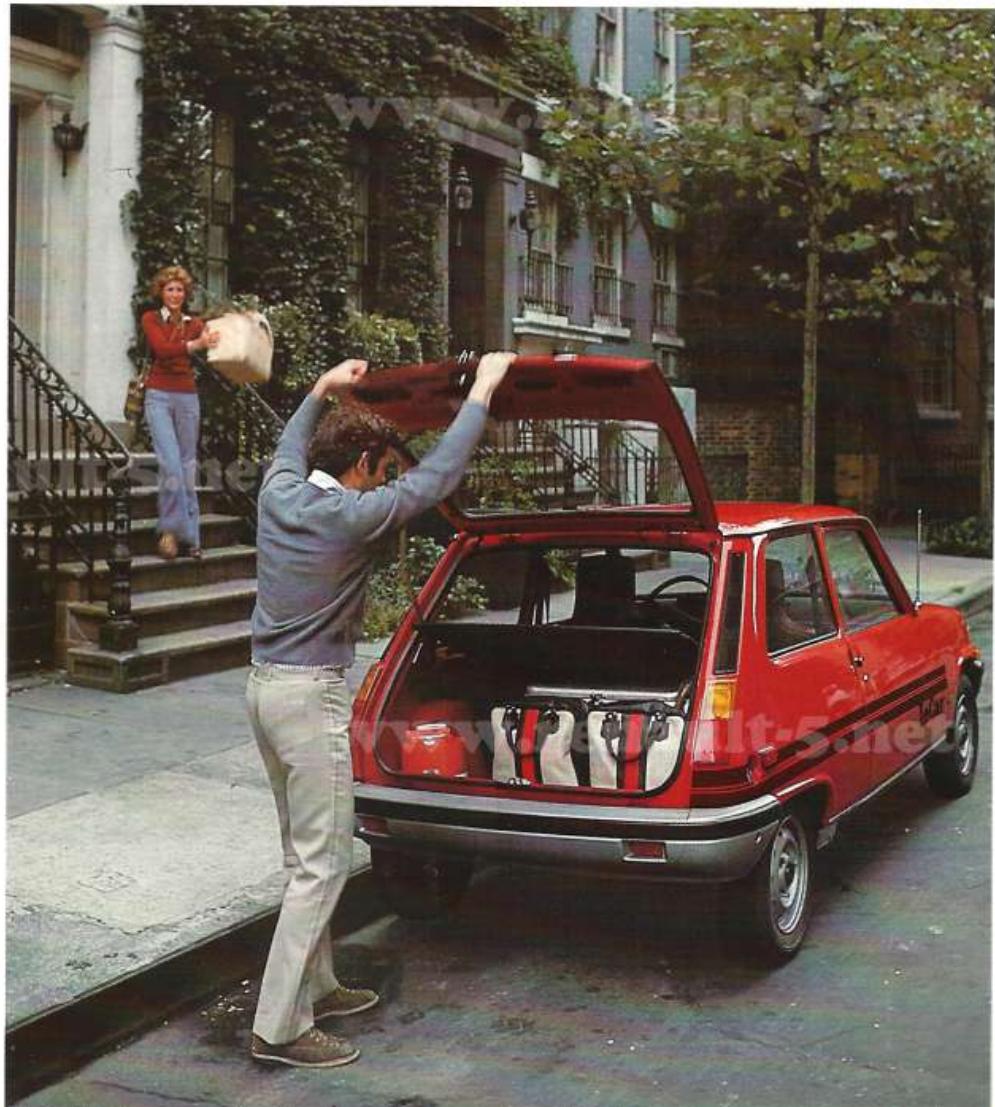
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THE LAST WORD

In Europe, where driving is a passion, where people demand economy, performance and a car that's fun to drive, over one and a half million people have bought Le Car. Now, a proven success, Le Car comes to America.

This great import was designed in France, where Renault has pioneered in car manufacturing since 1898 and where small cars have always been in fashion. Le Car's success is the result of this long experience, particularly in the field of front wheel drive and perfectly balanced suspension systems.

It's the most versatile hatchback in years
... and it's fun to drive.



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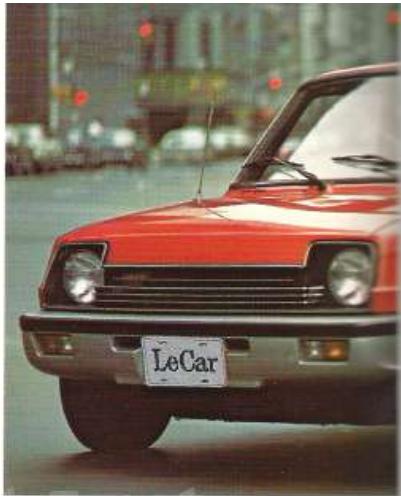
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EASY RIDER

What a pleasure! No hassle moving in and out of heavy traffic . . . no effort on congested streets or in tight parking places. No worries . . . oversized polyurethane bumpers absorb shock up to 5 mph without damage. Rack and pinion steering and a turning radius of only 32 feet make this the perfect car for the city.

Perfect in the country, too. A ride in Le Car is so smooth it's almost unbelievable . . . Renault has developed a special suspension system that assures a steady, comfortable ride no matter how bad the road surface. A suspension system designed to operate independently on all four wheels with torsion bars. The seats are the final link in a perfectly balanced suspension unit that insures a smooth, comfortable ride.







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When you fill up the tank in Le Car you know it's going to take you a long, long way. The latest official EPA values of 41 mpg on the open road and 25 mpg in the city* (depending on the driver and road conditions) is sure-fire proof of the ideal combination . . . a responsive engine in a small car. *Remember:* These mileage figures are *estimates*. The actual mileage you get will vary depending on the type of driving you do, your driving habits, your car's condition and optional equipment.

*California excluded.





VERSATILITY

The perky styling of Le Car makes it adaptable to any occasion. It can, for instance, be a glamorous, sporty car with an open sun roof.

Or you can take it on a rugged cross-country trip. A perfectly balanced suspension system and the unibody construction take it through rough terrain with ease. Factory applied rustproofing and undercoating protect it along the way.

Or Le Car can function like a wagon. Tip the rear seat forward and create an accommodating 31.5 cubic foot storage area with an easy access rear door that opens to bumper level. Easy loading . . . a convenience hard to find in most mini-sedans.



SPACE

A full view of the road is guaranteed through a huge windshield kept clear by two-speed, wide-arc wipers and adjustable washers. And look at that interior . . . the instrument cluster, clearly marked, is at your fingertips for safety and convenience . . . a day-night rear view mirror is standard. There's luxurious padding throughout, even on the steering wheel . . . the environment is controlled by fresh air vents, a heater and a defroster . . . and the spacious headroom and legroom are unique in a car this size.

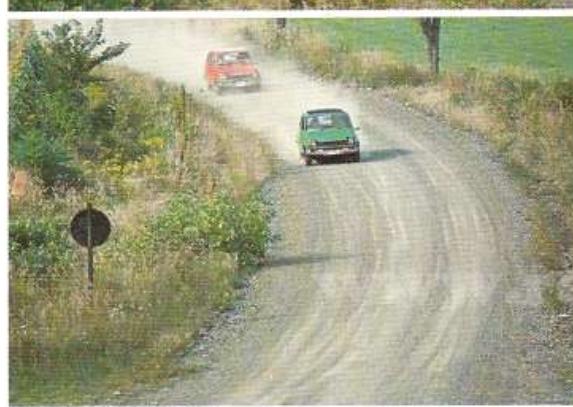
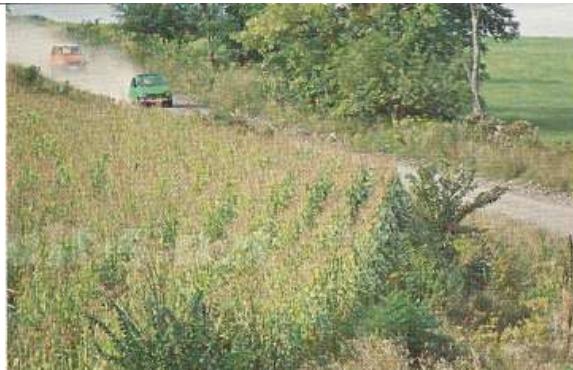






You can really pack it in when you own a Renault . . . with Le Car, everything goes! Le Car can do it all . . . it carries a wagon-sized load. It makes a long trip comfortable. It holds the road on country bumps and curves. It maneuvers easily in heavy traffic. It makes parking a pleasure. It gives the best of mileage and saves you money on gas. And it's a smooth ride all the way home.

Get into the car that knows how to take it, but never stops giving. Test drive the new Le Car. It's the one you've been looking for . . . waiting for. It's hard to believe you can buy so much for so little.



IT
GROWS
ON YOU

CHECK THE FEATURES

A smart thing to do . . . the Renault manual covers in detail all you need to know about your car's operation and maintenance . . . a must for every owner.



A two-panel illustration. The left panel shows a side view of a white Renault Le Car with its hatchback door open, revealing a trunk filled with luggage. The right panel is a front view of the car with a blue 'www.renault.com' logo overlaid, showing the front wheel drive layout.

TRUNK SPACE 9½ cu. ft. becomes a big 31½ cu. ft. just by tipping rear seat forward. More height, too—36 inches. Hatchback door lifts up from bumper level.

FRONT WHEEL DRIVE Weight is up front for greater pull under any driving conditions. Four wheels are at corners for stability. Least overhang of any major mini-car.



Instruments at your fingertips for safety and convenience



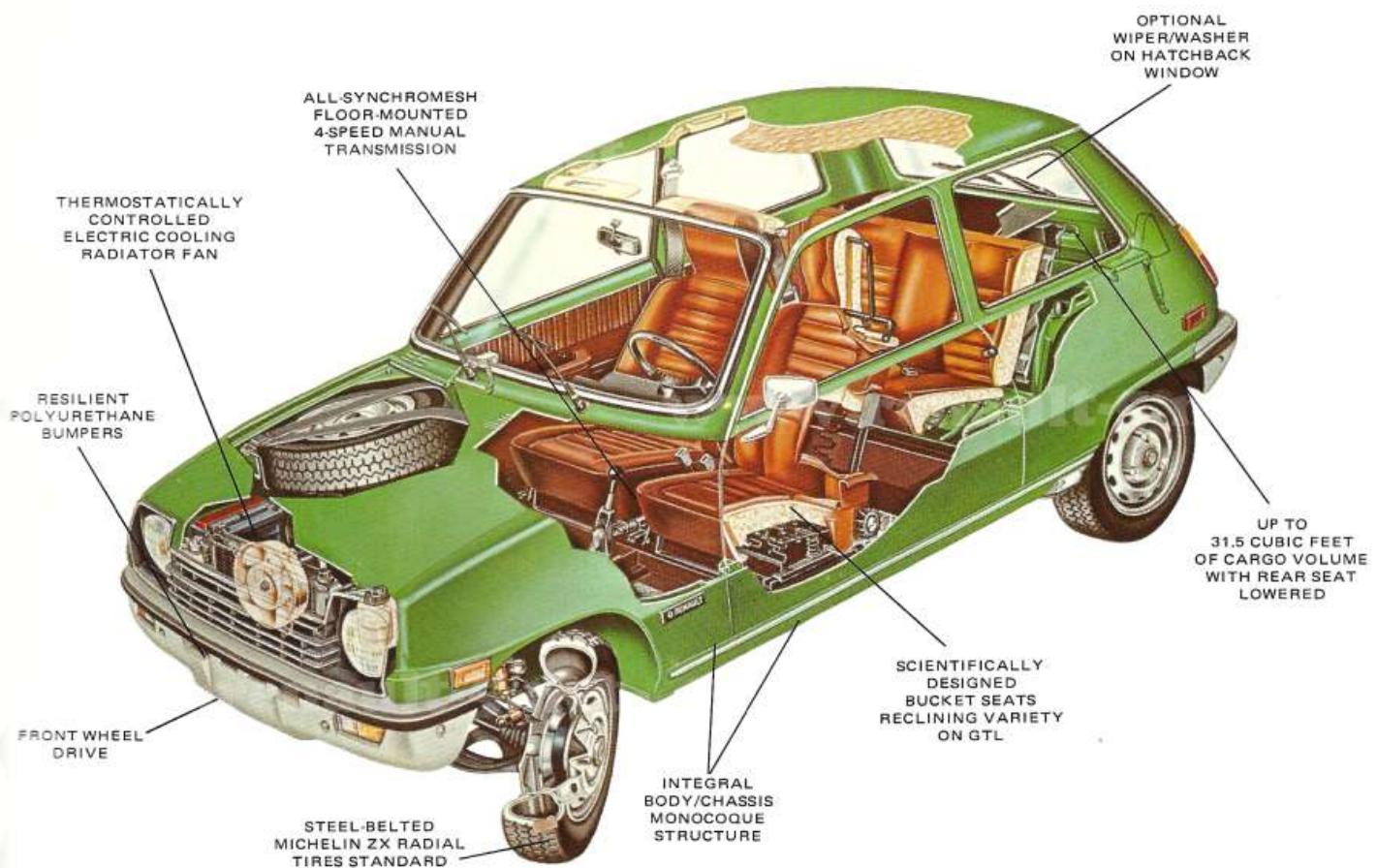
Sun visor vanity mirror is standard equipment on Le Car



Efficient rear window defogger and wiper/washer are available



Front glove compartment is roomy, convenient and functional



SAFETY FEATURES

Front lap/shoulder seat belts with automatic locking retractors, push button buckles
 Rear lap seat belts with automatic retractors, push button buckles, storage hooks
 Front bucket seats with integral headrests
 Energy absorbing steering wheel and column
 Energy absorbing padded instrument panel
 Brake system warning light
 Steel-belted Michelin ZX radial tires
 Windshield defrosters, washers and dual speed wipers
 Safety door latches and hinges
 Four-way hazard warning flasher
 Padded sun visors
 Automatic back-up lights
 Side marker lamps and reflectors
 Safety hood latch
 Lane change turn signals
 Side window defogging outlets
 Two key locking system



Entire front seat moves forward for easy access to rear



Smooth 4-speed manual transmission



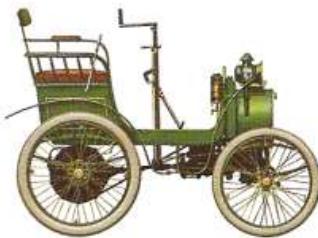
Reclining seats standard in GTL model, optional in TL

ADDITIONAL FEATURES

All vinyl seats and door panels
 Front door armrests with grab recess
 Dashboard parcel shelf
Standard on GTL:
 Front door map pockets
 Front and rear assist handles/coat hooks
 Rear passenger ashtrays
 Removable trunk cover shelf



1898



Ever since 1898, when young Louis Renault handcrafted his first "Voiturette" in a shed at the edge of his father's estate in Billancourt, France, Renault has been dedicated to building safer, tougher, more dependable cars. One of the earliest mini-cars was this prototype by Louis Renault, the car that led to the creation of Renault Freres, which became the largest manufacturing concern in France. It is one of Europe's biggest producers of motor vehicles.

This tradition is reflected in the new engineering concept of Le Car. "There's More Room in a Renault," a famous slogan in the '30's, appropriately describes today's Renault. There is "big-car" room in this mini-car, despite its small overall dimensions. There is "big-car" ride, too. Those

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familiar with Renault products are not surprised. The great tradition that started back in 1898 continues today.

European craftsmanship and rigid standards have made Renault Europe's leading auto exporter and one of the largest automotive manufacturers in the world. Today Renault is number one in sales in France and best selling imported car in countries like Italy and Germany.

Renault has come a long way from its humble beginning at Billancourt. Seventy nine years later it spans five continents with some of the world's most modern manufacturing facilities. It is backed by thousands of reliable service outlets in 148 different countries. Its history is more than a story of growth . . . it is proof of outstanding expertise.



Equipment and technology used in the Renault factories are the most modern in Europe. At the Flins complex in France, Renaults move through the paint application stage, the tight body control procedure and the precision assembly line.



Le Car by RENAULT TECHNICAL INFORMATION

ENGINE

No. of Cylinders / 4 in-line
Bore / 2.874 in. (73 mm)
Stroke / 3.031 in. (77 mm)
Displacement / 78.66 cu. in. (1289 cc)
Compression Ratio / 9.5:1*
Maximum Horsepower (SAE Net) / 60 @ 6000 rpm*
Maximum Torque (SAE Net) / 70.0 @ 3500*
Fuel Requirement / Premium fuel with an average octane number of at least 94*

ENGINE DESIGN

Water cooled, front-mounted, behind drive wheels
Engine block / Cast iron
Cylinder head / Aluminum alloy
Valve position / Slanted OHV
Cooling system / Liquid, pressurized closed circuit
Main bearings / 5
Fuel / Air supply / Weber two-barrel carburetor

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Voltage rating / 12 V
Battery and alternator / 50 amp. hr.
Ignition / Coil and distributor

DRIVE TRAIN

Transaxle, transmission / 4-speed forward manual fully synchronized, floor mounted shift lever
Gear ratio: First 3.833; Second 2.235; Third 1.458; Fourth 1.026; Reverse 3.545
Final drive ratio: 3.625

CHASSIS AND SUSPENSION

Unitized body, monocoque structure, anti-corrosion protection, undercoating
Front suspension / Independent, unequal length control arms, longitudinal torsion bars, double-acting hydraulic telescopic shock absorbers and stabilizer bar
Rear suspension / Independent trailing arms, transverse torsion bars, double-acting hydraulic telescopic shock absorbers
Brakes / Dual hydraulic, Bendix
Front, self-adjusting disc brakes (dia. 9.0 in.)
Rear, drum brakes (7.096 in.) load sensitive pressure limiting valve
Parking brake / mechanical
Rims / 4.50 B 13
Tires / Steel-belted Michelin ZX radials, 145 SR 13 tubeless (GTL)/135 SR 13 (TL)

CAPACITIES

Engine crankcase / 3.5 U.S. qts. (3.25 liters)
Transaxle lubricant / 2 U.S. qts. (1.8 liters)
Fuel tank (nominal) / 10 U.S. gallons (38 liters)
Cooling system (with heater) / 6.5 U.S. qts. (6.3 liters)
Luggage compartment (total) / 9.5 cu. ft. (270 Dm³)
Cargo volume (rear seat folded) / 31.5 cu. ft. (900 Dm³)

*California/High Altitude

Compression Ratio: 8.5:1
Maximum Horsepower (SAE Net) / 58 @ 6000 rpm
Maximum Torque (SAE Net) 69.6 @ 3500 rpm
Fuel Requirements / Unleaded only with an average octane number of at least 87
Fuel Consumption / Consult your dealer for the new official EPA values

DIMENSIONS

Wheelbase / LH side 95.80 in. (2434 mm)
RH side 94.60 in. (2404 mm)
Overall length / 142 in. (3609 mm)
Overall width / 60.0 in. (1525 mm)
Overall height (unloaded) / 55.0 in. (1402 mm)
Ground clearance (loaded) / 5.5 in. (147 mm)
Curb weight / 1819 lbs. (825 kg)

PERFORMANCE

Maximum speed / 90 mph (146 Km/h)
Fuel consumption* / Highway 41 mpg;
city 25 mpg; combined 30 mpg
(official EPA values, 49 states)

STEERING

Rack and pinion
Overall ratio / 20.0:1
Turning circle (between curbs) / 32.0 ft. (9.74 m)
Steering wheel turns (stop to stop) / 3 1/4 turns

OTHER FEATURES

Standard unless otherwise specified • Front door combination armrest/map pocket (GTL) • Front door armrest with grab recess (TL) • Front passenger assist handle (GTL) • Rear passenger combination assist handle/coat hook (GTL) • Rear passenger ashtrays (GTL) • Padded sun visors/courtesy mirror • Day/Night windshield-mounted rear view mirror (GTL) • Front lap/shoulder seat belts with automatic locking retractors • Rear lap belts with automatic retractors and storage hooks • Side window defogging outlets • Center adjustable fresh-air vent • All vinyl front/rear seats, doors and rear panels • Enclosed glove compartment • Swing-open rear side window (GTL) • Rear cargo area removable parcel shelf (GTL) • Metallic paint (GTL).

Options

Tinted glass • Rear window defogger (Std. GTL) • Rear window wiper/washer • Front reclining bucket seats (Std. GTL) • Jumbo sun roof • Vacuum power brake booster (GTL) • 145/13 steel-belted radial BW tires (Std. GTL) • Rear stabilizer bar (Std. TL) • Air conditioning, custom / special order • AM, AM/FM radio, cassettes and 8-track tape • DeLuxe wood-grain roof rack • DeLuxe wood-grain rear window air deflector • Ski rack, lockable • Locking gas cap • Mud flaps • Custom sports wheels • Outer wheel ring, chrome • Body striping • Sports steering wheel (dull black or silver finish) • Tall pipe extension, chrome • Leather shifting knob (with logo or pattern) • Door edge guards, chrome • Exterior door handle recess guards, chrome

PARTS & SERVICE

Your Renault dealer has skilled mechanics trained by Renault USA technicians to service your car and he keeps genuine Renault parts in stock. He is in direct contact with regional Renault parts centers. If, in an emergency, you are not able to obtain a Renault part, you can call a special Renault toll-free Parts Action Line.

LIMITED WARRANTY

Renault USA warrants to the purchaser of a new Renault vehicle, that the vehicle is free from defects in material and workmanship for 12 months or 12,000 miles. The internal engine, transmission and differential parts are warranted to be free from defects for 24 months or 24,000 miles.

Please review the Warranty Terms and Conditions booklet (illustrated) available at all Renault dealers. (Ref. No. SD-865 12/76).

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Body Colors



308 Glen Yellow



318 Chipper Orange



705 Rally Red



699 Moonlight Black (GTL)



907 Sebring Green



111 Dune Beige



134 Metallic Beige (GTL)



414 Metallic Blue (GTL)

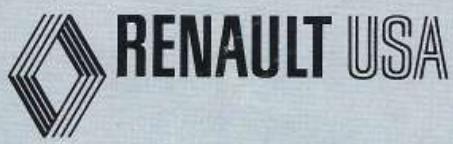


602 Metallic Silver (GTL)
910 Metallic Green (GTL)
(not shown)

Check with your Renault dealer for interior color availability according to model.



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