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# RIVIERA

by BUICK



Riviera









*You made a deal with yourself.*

*You're*

**DUE.**





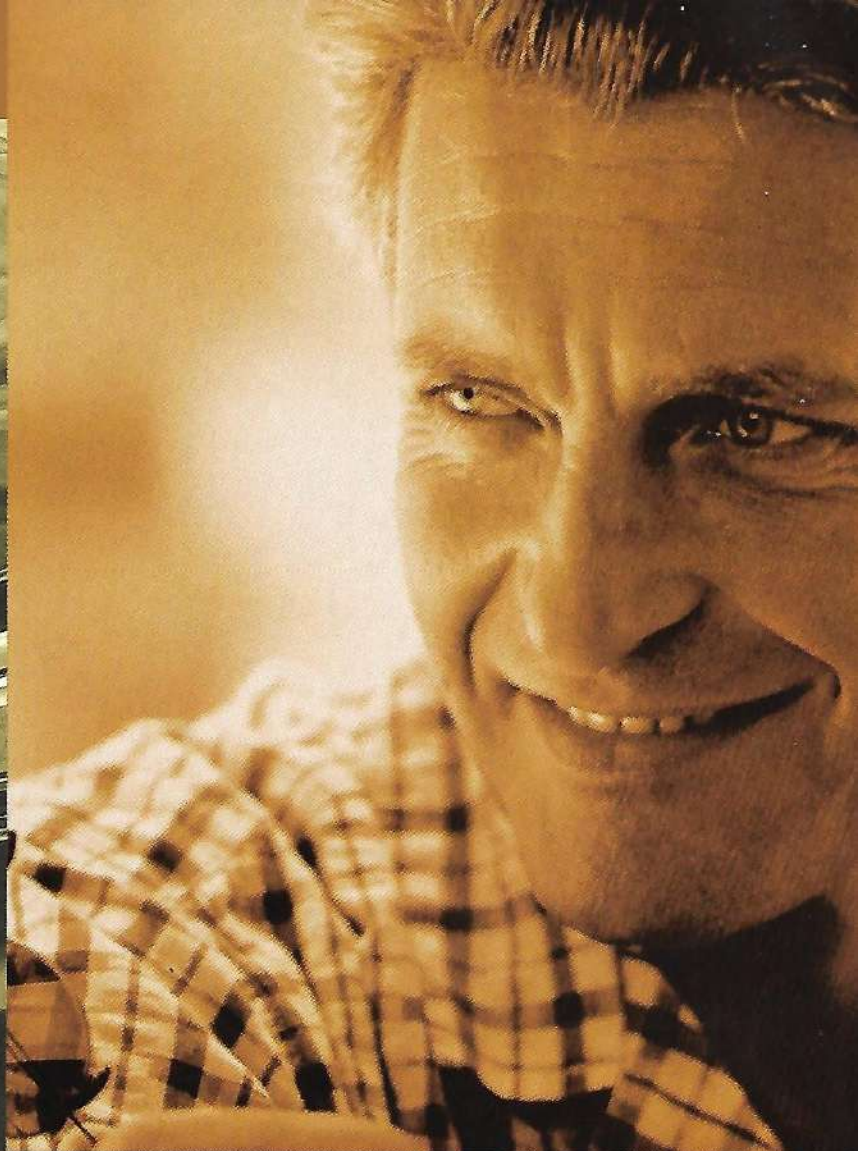
*You did the soccer duty.  
The pancake breakfasts,  
the pizza runs, the play  
practices. Other parents  
became elusive at the  
last minute. You paid the  
dues, organized the events,  
went with less sleep.*

*Ah, but now it's *your* time.*

*Riviera by Buick.*







*You're due.*

Quiet power that never  
seems to top out. More  
control than you thought  
possible. Smooth  
overcharged performance.  
The 1998 Riviera is a  
luxurious decompression





*You're due for some*  
**STYLE.**

...ans and a tux coat. That little  
...paghetti-strap number over a T-shirt.  
...ickets to a play. In some other city.  
...Riviera style.











GO blur some landscape.

It's time. Riviera was made for fluid

movement. And looks it.









*Inapologetic,  
feel-good*  
**POWER.**

You're smiling. A couple of hours

of this could fix a lot of what's

maywire in the world.



er-wheel independent suspension combined  
h available traction control results in outstanding  
ility, precise handling and crisp surefootedness  
he curves, on uneven surfaces and during virtually  
weather condition.

Smooth, linear acceleration and plenty of response  
where on the power band are constant qualities of the  
h-torque, assertive supercharged powerplant. The  
0 Series II Supercharged V6 generates 240 horsepower  
200 rpm, 280 ft-lbs torque at 3600 rpm.

Smile-inducing power and a seamless, effortless  
ing from standstill to highway cruising are hallmark  
tributes of the powerful 3800 Series II Supercharged  
ine. Driving enjoyment continues to be a daily  
ewal program with Riviera.

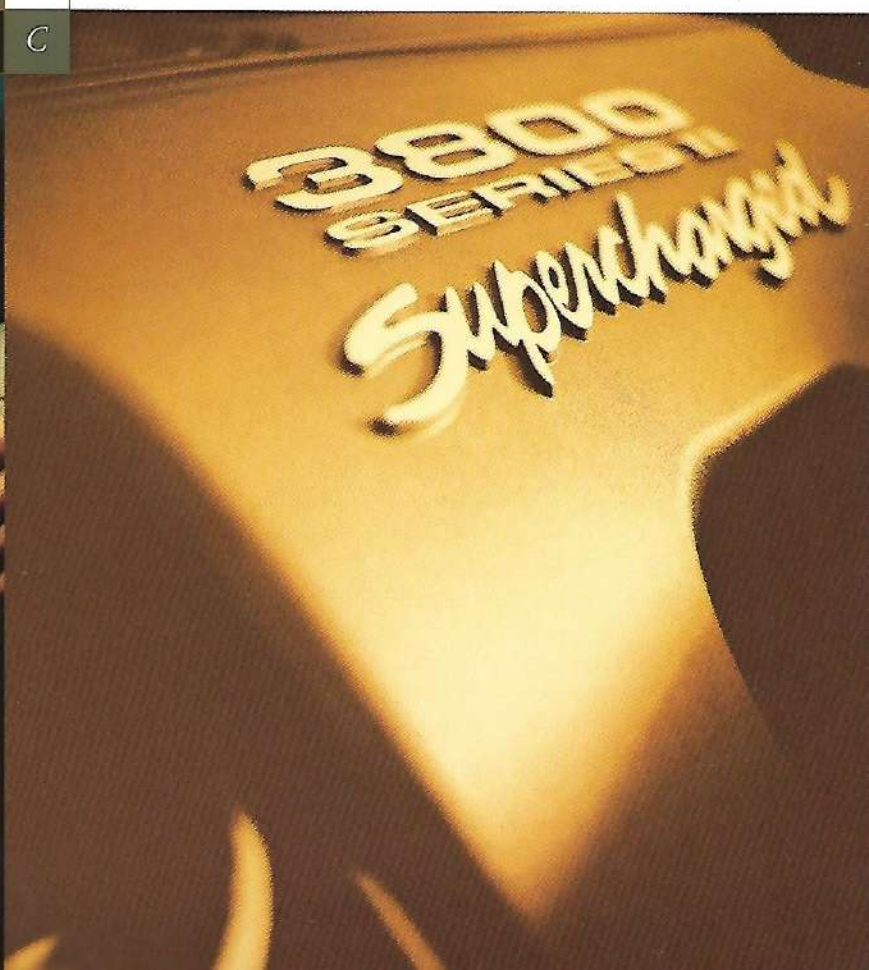
With its sophisticated supercharger and  
quential port fuel injection, the standard muscular  
0 Series II Supercharged V6 delivers an instantly  
ifying surplus of horsepower, yet it maintains  
efficiency of a six-cylinder engine. This is having  
cake and enjoying it thoroughly, over and over.



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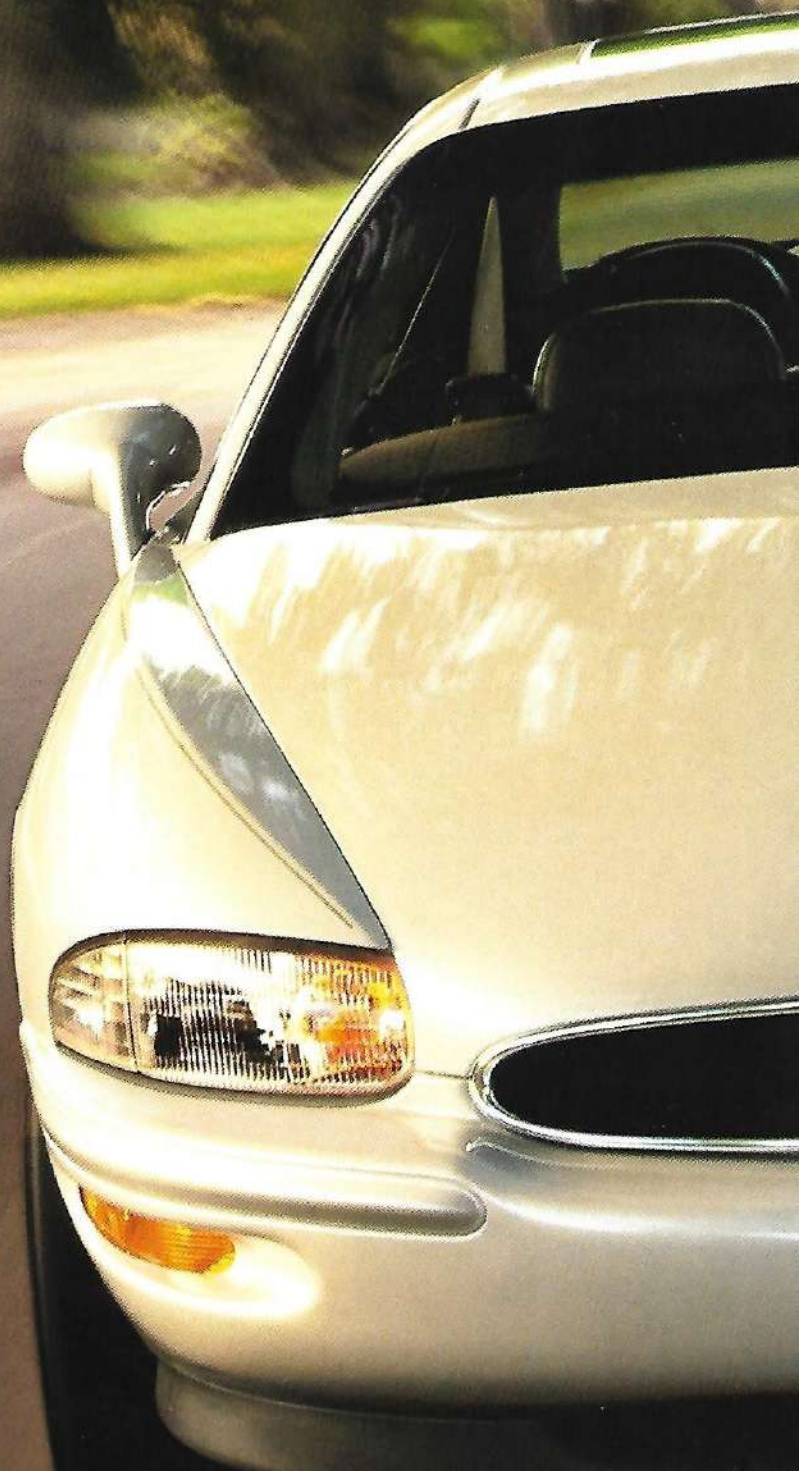
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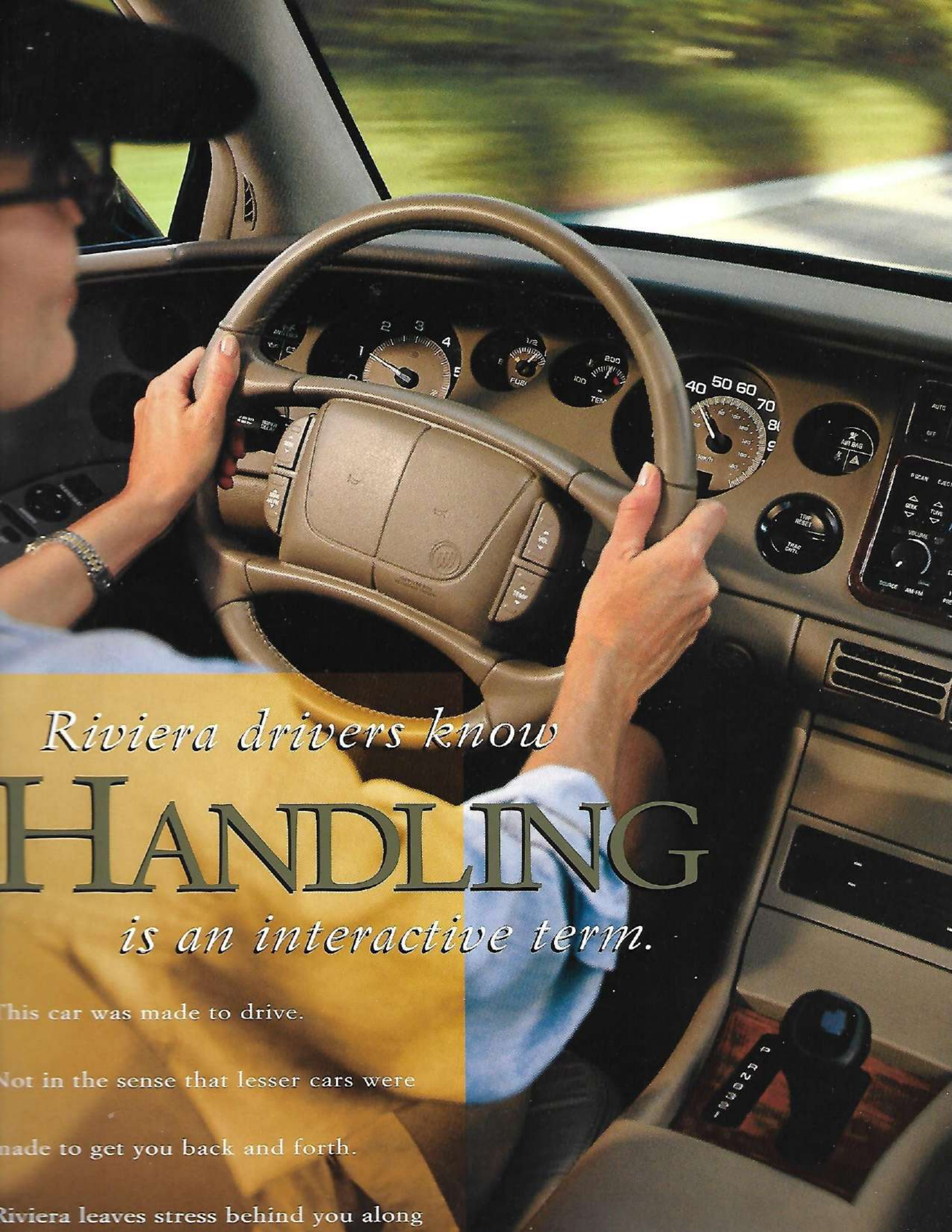
*How* can metal and glass  
make you feel more alive? It depends  
on how they're put together.  
It really is time you drove a Riviera.  
You're due.











*Riviera drivers know*

# HANDLING

*is an interactive term.*

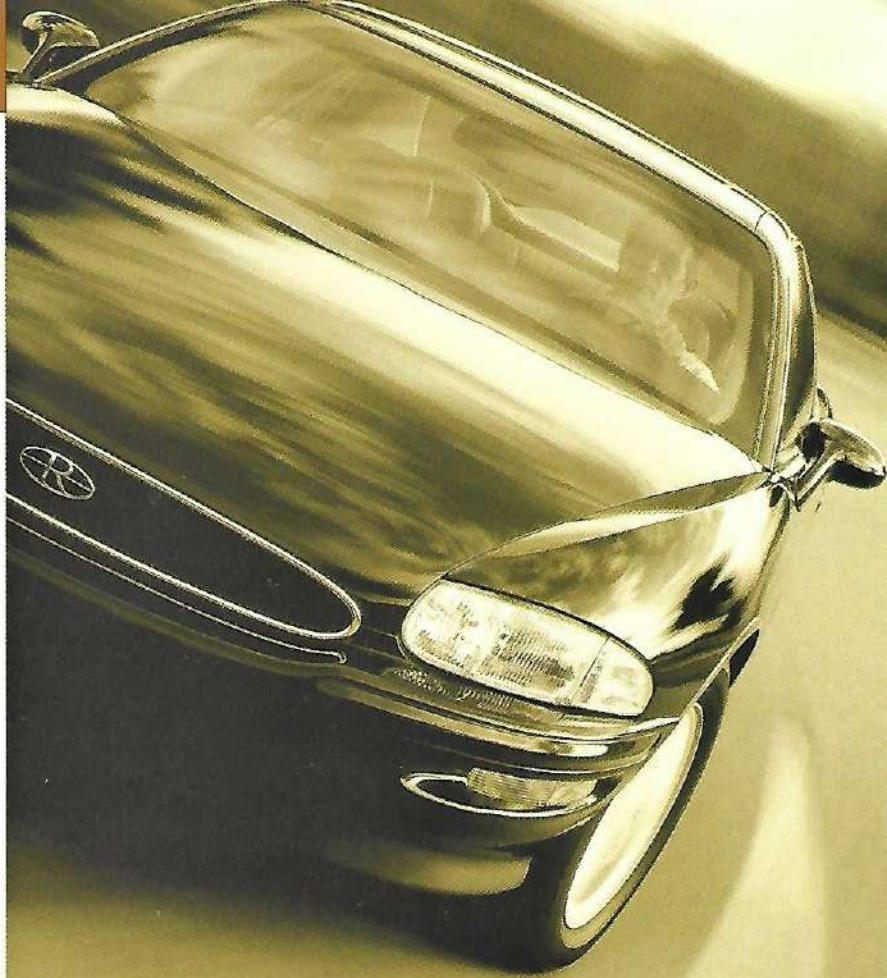
This car was made to drive.

Not in the sense that lesser cars were

made to get you back and forth.

Riviera leaves stress behind you along

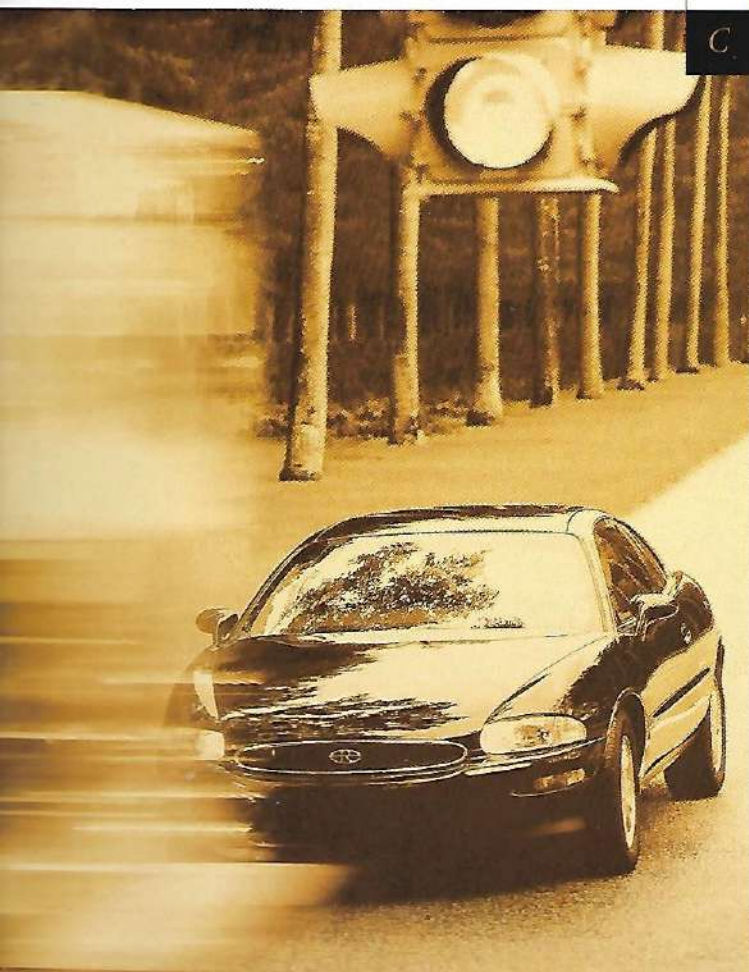




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Riviera's superb handling prowess and smooth, quiet ride derive from a number of carefully blended factors. Luxurious comfort, acoustics, road-holding ability, aerodynamics and a rigid body structure are just a few of them.

A. Body structure integrity is calibrated in frequencies — the higher the frequency, the more solid it feels. Riviera's structure reads at a remarkably high 25 Hz. What does it mean? A smoother, more silent ride and an overall feeling of strength, under and around you.

B. The unusually solid body structure dramatically reduces torsional flexing. This, and the precisely engineered steering and suspension, imparts a sense of stability and certainty, and the famous road-hugging agility you will soon take for granted.

C. Confident, controlled braking is a result of four-wheel power disc brakes channeled through an anti-lock braking system (ABS). This active safety



comfort

eighteen

When driver and passengers relax  
into this personal luxury coupe, all will  
feel the obvious lack of compromise  
where their comfort is concerned.  
Riviera. Coupe uncooped.

*Your total*  
**COMFORT**









A

B

C



They special-teamed for comfort in this Riviera. A Seat Comfort Team, which included a physical therapist, drove hundreds of thousands of miles to evolve what may well be the most comfortable seats in the world. Smooth flight is emphasized by the optional, quiet Astrorooft.

**A.** Available heating adjustments allow you to warm the driver's or front passenger's seat on cold mornings. Such a detail is more than merely another luxury — it's a functional comfort that enhances driver performance from the word go — a Riviera specialty.

**B.** Dual automatic ComforTemp climate control allows driver and front passenger to choose their own individual temperature levels, varying by as much as six degrees. The cabin is full of touches that cater to the individual in you — and others.

**C.** The metaphoric switches communicate their function through their shapes. The six-way power





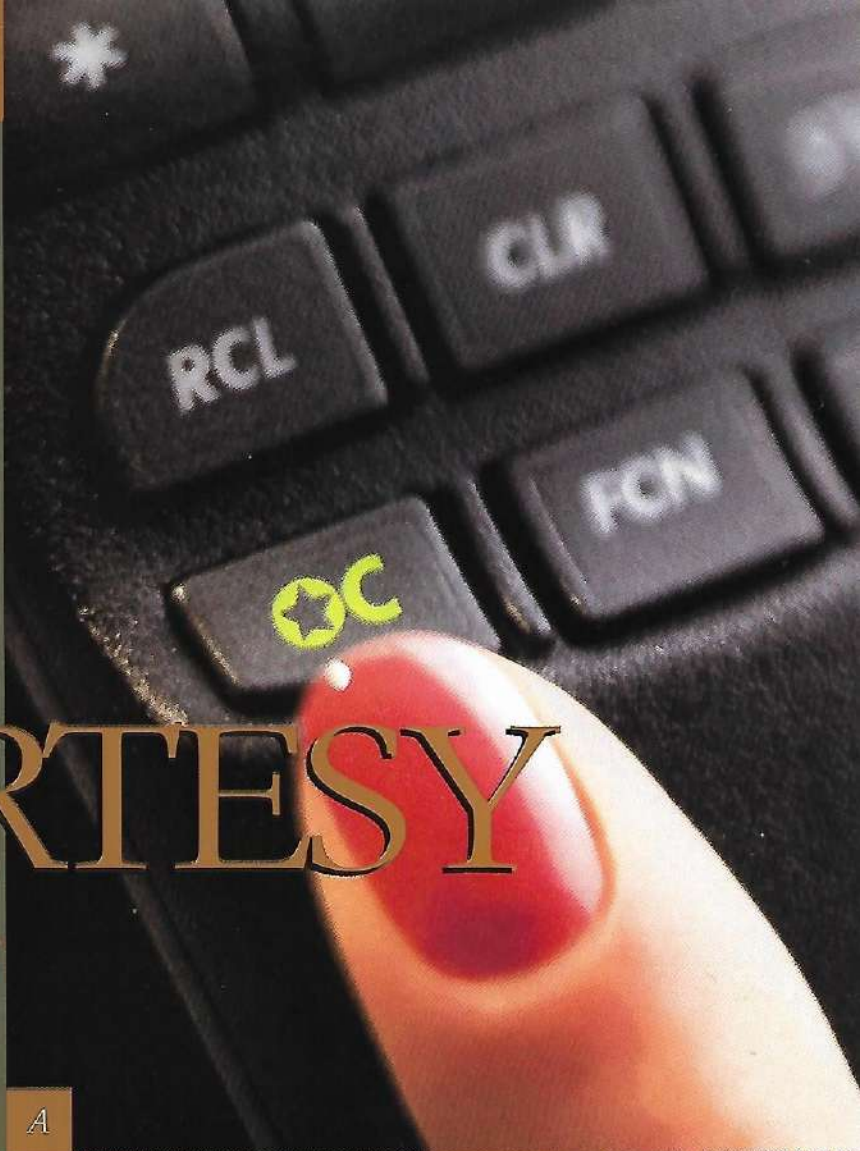


# Real COURTESY

*Underlines Riviera's sense of freedom.*

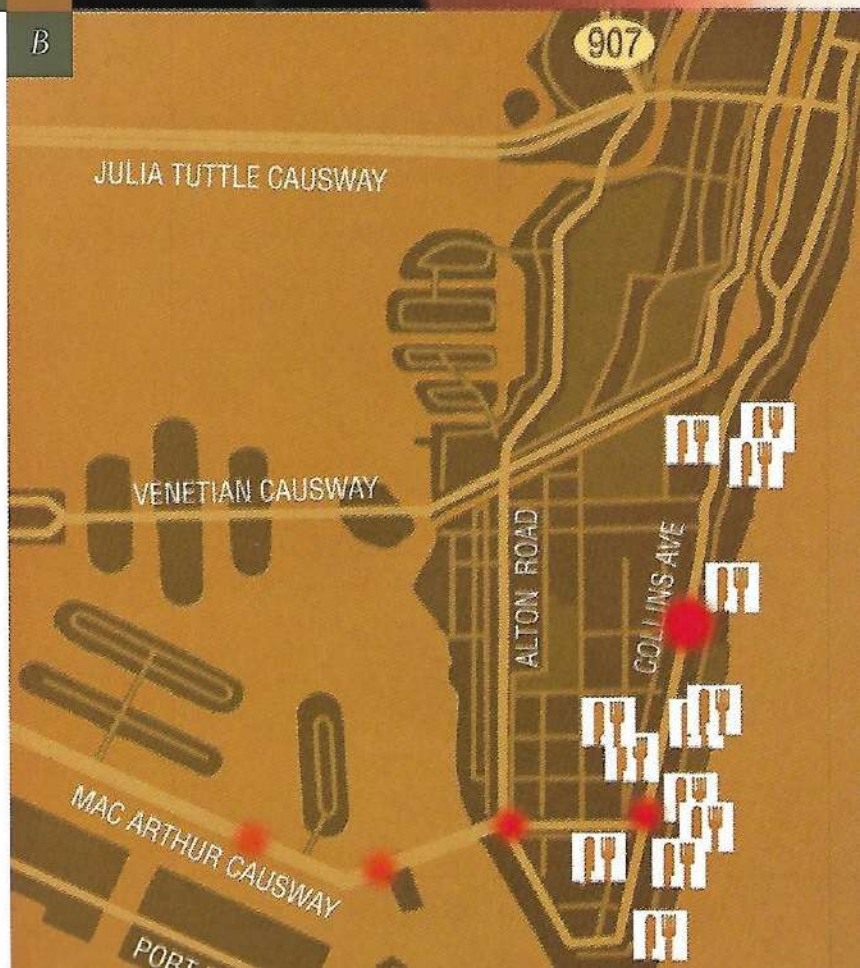
The available OnStar® Service backs up Riviera freedom with confidence — and satellite technology. Wherever you travel in the 1998 Riviera, this constant security-minded companion can ride with you. Silent, even unnoticed, until such time as the need for it arises, OnStar is ready in seconds. It can remotely unlock a Riviera with the keys locked inside, call emergency personnel, give you directions, find hotels, ATMs, restaurants, or call for immediate help if the air bags\* are deployed. You've taken care of things for a long time — it's due time you got some of that treatment yourself.

**ONSTAR**



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B







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A. OnStar is activated by touching a button on the cellular phone. Once on, this voice-activated, hands-free service puts you in touch with all of OnStar's security and convenience offerings.

B. It's your own personal locating device, telling you where you are and how to get where you're going. OnStar uses Global Positioning System satellites to instantly locate your vehicle in relation to its surroundings.

C. OnStar Advisors, with access to enormous information resources, are your instant conduit to everything from airlines to zoos. They are "...a kind of remote 'Lone Ranger,' riding to your rescue on the white horse of a two-way data transmission."\*

D. Over 100 location categories include ATMs, airports, car rental agencies, gas stations, glass repair, hospitals, hotels, restaurants, taxis and more. "The services provided by OnStar are only limited by your imagination."\*\*

\*United Airlines Hemispheres

\*\*Automobile Industries Magazine



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## OnStar Service



*Automatic Notification of Air Bag Deployment so we can call emergency services for you.*



*Emergency Services are just a touch of a button away if needed.*



*Theft-Detection/Notification and Stolen-Vehicle Tracking helps police find your vehicle.*



*Remote Door Unlock in case you lock your keys in your vehicle.*



*Roadside Assistance with Location tells us where you are, so we can send you help.*



*Route Support will get you right to the doorstep of your destination.*

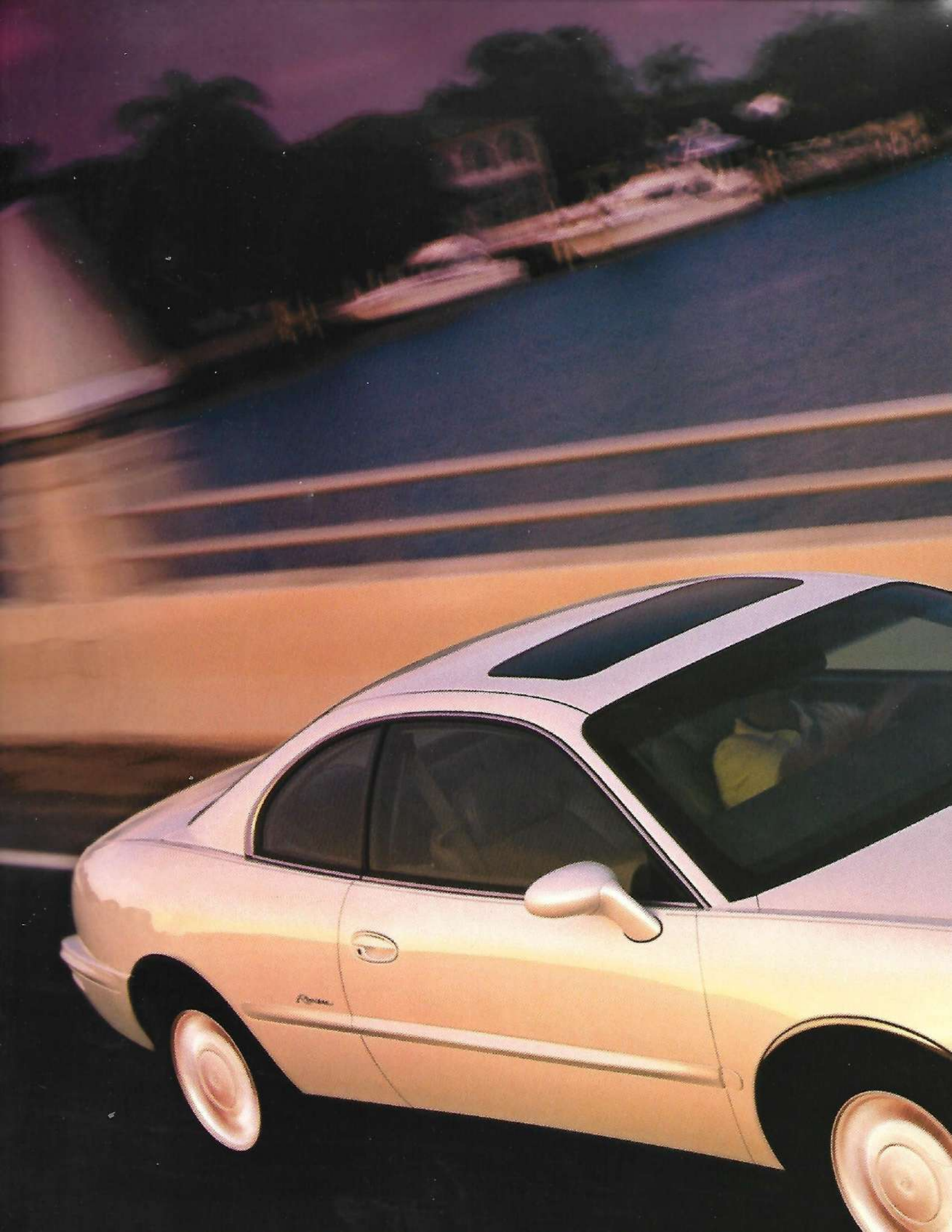


*Convenience Services help you locate hotels, restaurants, service stations and more.*



*Hands-Free, Voice-Activated Cellular Phone lets you keep your hands on the wheel.*







You can get a supercharged engine

a CD player with six speakers,

and glove-soft leather to sink into.

You can get off the hook.

*You're* **DUE.**  
*Definitely* **DUE**





## STANDARD FEATURES\*

### Mechanical

Battery — heavy-duty with Rundown Protection • Brakes — anti-lock, 4-wheel power disc • Cooling — heavy-duty, engine and transmission • Drive — front-wheel • Engine — 3800 Series II Supercharged V6 (includes 16" aluminum wheels and Eagle LS touring tires) • Exhaust system — dual, stainless steel • Fuel filler door release — electric, remote • Hood lock — inside release • Horn — dual-note • Remote keyless entry — individually programmable transmitters, includes instant alarm, perimeter lighting and security feedback • Retained accessory power • Steering — magnetic variable effort • Suspension — 4-wheel independent with automatic level control • Theft deterrent system — PASS-Key II • Transmission — electronically controlled 4 speed automatic with overdrive • Wipers — 2-speed with variable delay

### Exterior

Glass — flush-mounted • Glass — Solar Ray — solar control • Headlamp control — Twilight Sentinel • Headlamps — composite tungsten halogen • Headlamps — daytime running • License plate holder — slide-in rear, front mounted • Mirrors, outside rearview — deluxe, electric, body color, left and right remote with floodlit controls • Moldings — protective, body color body side, belt reveal, wheel opening and rocker panel • Paint — clearcoat • Tires — P225/60R16 Eagle LS touring steel belted radial ply, all season blackwall • Wheels — 16" aluminum • Windows — power with driver express down and floodlit control

### Convenience Plus Features

Electronic reminder tones for ignition key, headlamps, turn signal, parking brake "on", delayed entry lighting, delayed exit lighting, theater dimming, Battery Rundown Protection, lockout protection, delayed locking, flash to pass signal, passive theft deterrent system, daytime running lamps, retained accessory power and auxiliary power outlet

### Interior

Acoustical Package • Air Bags — Next Generation, driver and front-seat passenger Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)\*\* • Air conditioning — dual automatic ComfortTemp climate control • Air conditioning — rear-seat ComfortTemp • Armrest — front-seat storage with dual cup holders • Assist handles — two • Carpet savers — front and rear • Carpeting — plush, front and rear • Console — overhead (includes front-seat reading lights and garage door opener compartment) • Cruise control — electronic • Defogger — electric, rear-window • Defogger — front and side window outlets • Door locks — automatic, programmable • Instrumentation — speedometer, tachometer, temperature gauge, trip odometer, indicators for low oil pressure, low voltage, and low washer fluid, oil, fuel, and coolant levels; with parade dimming feature • Lamp — center, high-mounted stop • Lights — door courtesy and warning with theater dimming, delayed entry and exit lighting • Lights — front ashtray, glove box, engine compartment, trunk compartment, instrument panel courtesy and instrument panel • Mirror, visor vanity — lighted, passenger • Safety belts — front- and rear-seat outboard positions lap/shoulder with shoulder belt comfort adjuster and slack set, center rear lap belt • Seats — leather-trimmed bucket with 6-way power, recliners, lumbar and operating console • Speakers — 6-speaker Concert Sound II • Steering column — TILT-WHEEL™ adjustable • Steering wheel — leather-wrapped with Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)\*\* • Sunshades — front, supplemental and extendable • Trunk convenience net • Trunk release — electric remote with security switch • Trunk trim — deluxe

### Personal Choice Features

Delayed locking (programmable) • Memory door locks • Perimeter lighting • Security feedback

### Audio System

Antenna — automatic power • Radio — ETR® AM-FM stereo with preset of

### Available Features

Astrorof — electric sliding with sunshade • Engine block heater — electric • Heated driver and passenger seat with memory driver and passenger outside mirrors, with automatic parallel park assist, and memory driver seat control • Memory driver seat and mirrors • Mirror, inside rearview — electrochromic, automatic dimming, includes integral digital compass • OnStar Service — includes voice-activated cellular phone (dealer installed option with OnStar readiness standard) • Tires — P225/60R16 Michelin steel-belted, radial ply, all-season blackwall • Wheels — 16" chrome

### Available SE Package

Accessory controls — steering wheel (radio and temperature) • Cornering lamps • Mirror, visor vanity — lighted, driver • Mirrors — automatic, electrochromic inside and driver outside rearview • Seats — power lumbar control, driver and passenger • Stripes — accent • Theft-deterrent system — includes central unlocking and starter interrupt • Traction control — full-range • Universal Transmitter — 3-function, remote; replaces garage door opener compartment

### Special Note To Parents:

Children are generally safer if they ride in a rear seat using the appropriate child safety seats and restraints, which is why General Motors recommends that child safety seats be properly secured in the vehicle's rear seat. See your Owner's Manual and child safety seat's instructions for more information.

\* Partial listing only — See your Buick dealer for complete lists and details.

\*\*Always wear safety belts, even with air bags.





## SPECIFICATIONS

3800 Series II Supercharged V6 with SFI <sup>TM</sup>	
LOWEST	240 @ 5200
	280 @ 3600 rpm
2.98 final drive ratio	
1,000 maximum gross trailer rate (lbs) <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	
Capacity	
to ft	17.4
ank, gal.	18.5
curb weight, lbs	3,699

<sup>(1)</sup> Multi-point fuel injection.  
<sup>(2)</sup> Properly equipped. Includes weight of trailer, cargo, passengers and equipment. All towing recommendations are for change. Check with your Buick dealer for the latest information. Trailer tongue load should be 10% of the gross trailer weight but should not exceed the load rating specified for that vehicle, engine or hitch combination.  
<sup>(3)</sup> Class is frame-mounted trailer hitch.

## Dimensions (inches)

	207.2
	75.0
	54.6
base	113.8
tread	62.5
tread	62.6

## Interior (inches)

	front/rear
om	42.6/37.1
oom	38.2/36.2
ider room	57.8/57.8
om	54.5/52.7



## Exterior

Bright White (16)

Bright White Diamond Tri-Coat (78)

Silvermist Metallic (17)

Sandstone Beige Metallic (50)

Slate Green Pearl (61)

Emerald Green Pearl (38)

Majestic Teal Pearl (46)

Twilight Blue Metallic (27)

Midnight Blue Pearl (28)

Bordeaux Red Pearl (51)

Santa Fe Red Pearl (53)

Black (41)

## Interior

Blue, Gray, Lt. Green, Taupe, Bordeaux Red

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Blue, Gray


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Bordeaux Red Leather

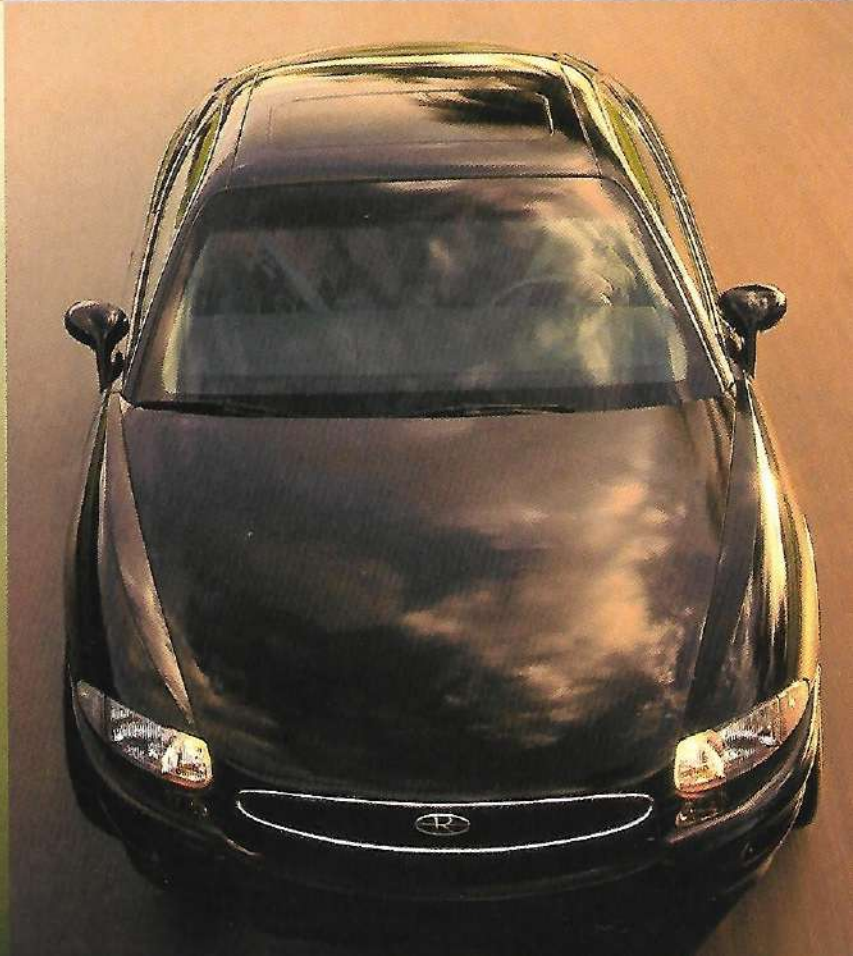
Gray Leather

Taupe Leather

Light Green Leather











The powers of Riviera are accessible by PC — just use your mouse to [www.riviera.buick.com](http://www.riviera.buick.com) and explore many facets of your luxury coupe-to-be on the Web. Cruising is a way to become partially acquainted with the 1998 Riviera, but nothing can approximate the feeling of turning the key, and pulling out into the real world in this latest edition of the world-class luxury car.

**Quality Plus.** 1-800-4A-BUICK is another way to get customer assistance or information. Quality Plus is a Buick institution that deals with aspects of the buying/owning experience such as Premium Roadside Assistance, Quality Plus Delivery and the generous 3-year/36,000-mile Warranty.\* When shopping for the 1998 Riviera, ask about all the reassuring backup you will receive along with the car itself.

Riviera, through GM's Concept: Cure program,

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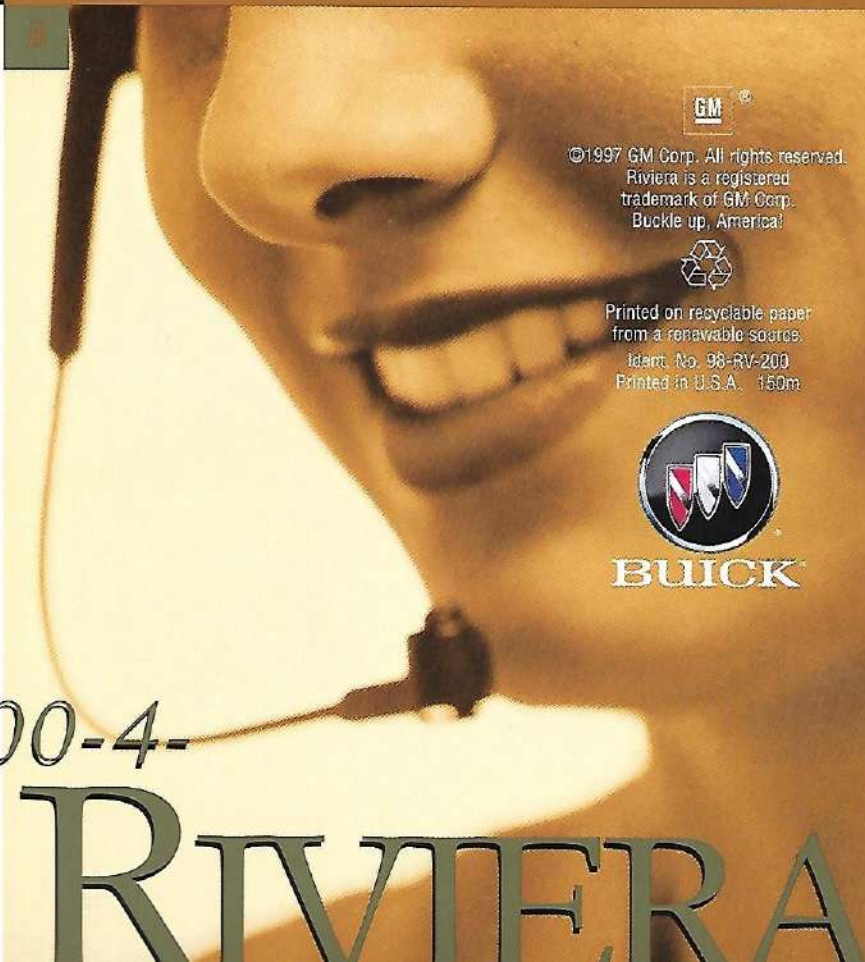
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## PARK AVENUE

THE POWER OF UNDERSTATEMENT.



## Riviera

You're due. Definitely due.



## Regal

Official Car of the Supercharged Family.



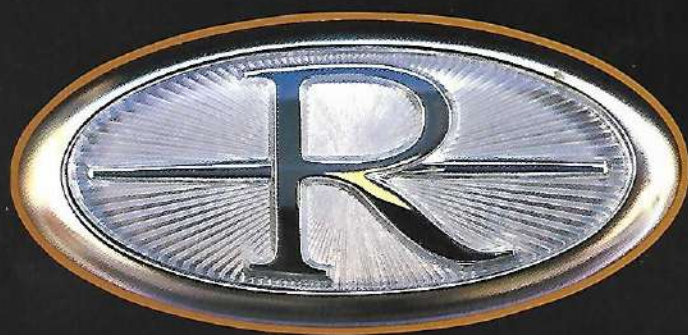
## LeSabre

PEACE OF MIND.



## CENTURY

Discover a little luxury in this Century.



Riviera by Buick

You're due. Definitely due.

