

# Chevette

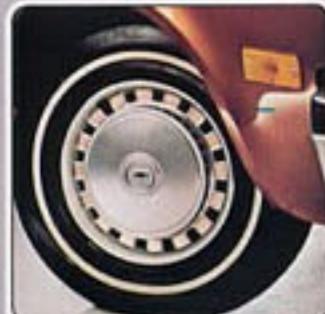


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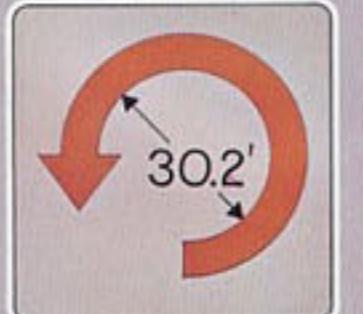
**STANDARD:** AM radio.\*



**STANDARD:** Glass-belted, radial ply, white-stripe tires.\*



**STANDARD:** Short, 30.2-ft. Coupe; 30.8-ft. Sedan turning circle.



**STANDARD:** Bumper rub strips.\*



**STANDARD:** Sport steering wheel.\*



**STANDARD:** Deluxe grille, grille emblem and single headlights.



**STANDARD:** Center floor console.\*



**STANDARD:** Swing-out rear windows.\* (Coupe only)



**STANDARD:** Wheel trim rings.\*



**STANDARD:** Cigarette lighter.\*



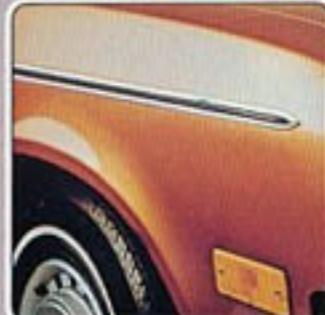
**STANDARD:** Color-keyed instrument panel.\*



**STANDARD:** Glove compartment door and lock.\*



**STANDARD:** Body side moldings.\*



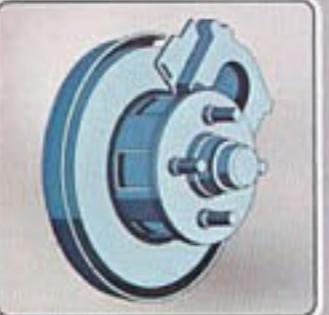
**STANDARD:** Reclining bucket seats.\*



**STANDARD:** Four-foot-wide hatch.



**STANDARD:** Front disc brakes.



**STANDARD:** Delco Freedom battery.



**STANDARD:** Rack-and-pinion steering.



**STANDARD:** Cut-pile carpeting.



**STANDARD:** Fold-down rear seat.



**STANDARD:** 1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 engine.



**STANDARD:** Four-Speed manual transmission.



**STANDARD:** Retractable seat belts.



**STANDARD:** "Smart Switch."



**STANDARD:** Strong unitized body.



**STANDARD:** Diagnostic engine electrical connector.



**PLUS:** Chevy service from coast to coast.



\*Except Chevette Scooter Hatchback Coupe.



Chevette Hatchback Coupe shown in camel metallic.

## Chevy Chevette. A lot of car for the money.

Take a look at a new Chevy Chevette. Isn't it nice to know that there's still a fine small car around that can give you your money's worth? And it's not just in promises. You can see it and touch it and feel it. That's Chevy value.

Believe it or not, the 1979 Chevette offers even more than the 1978 Chevette. In addition to the 18 new standard features that were added to Chevette last year, there's a new dis-

tinctive front end with new deluxe grille and single-unit rectangular headlights. There are additional acoustic treatments for both the 4-Door Hatchback Sedan and the 2-Door Hatchback Coupe (except Scooter). There's good interior ventilation, too. There are new standard glass-belted radial ply tires and a high-pressure compact spare tire. There are engine refinements and new available options. Yet, the price

tag is still very reasonable.

Then, add carry-over features like long recommended service intervals, extensive corrosion-resistant treatments and all the things you see above. Now you've got it. Value. Chevrolet value.

The 1979 Chevy Chevette. It is, indeed, a lot of car for the money. Isn't it about time you took advantage of an offer like this?

### A word about this catalog:

We have tried to make this catalog as comprehensive and factual as possible. And we hope you find it helpful. However, since the time of printing, some of the information you'll find here may have been updated. Also, some of the

equipment shown or described throughout this brochure is available at extra cost. Your dealer has details and, before ordering, you should ask him to bring you up to date.

The right is reserved to make changes at any time, without notice, in prices, colors, materials, equipment, specifications and models, and to discontinue models. Check with your Chevrolet dealer for complete information.



Chevette 4-Door Hatchback Sedan shown in carmine with available sport mirrors.

## Chevette Models.

First, there's the neat little 2-Door Hatchback Coupe. It has a four-foot-wide hatchback, a fold-down rear seat, 26.3 cubic feet of cargo area with the rear seat down, swing-out rear side windows\* and lots of life. There's full foam seat comfort for four people. And if you are really watching your bucks, Chevette Scooter could be right up your driveway.

Then, add two doors, three inches to the wheelbase and almost three inches more rear-seat leg room than the 2-Door and you've got the Chevette 4-Door Hatchback Sedan. With the rear seat folded down, there's 1.1 cubic feet more load space than with the 2-Door.

\*Except Scooter



Chevette Scooter Hatchback Coupe shown in beige.



Chevette Hatchback Coupe shown in bright yellow with available Tri-Tone Sport striping, and Sport wheel covers.

# Chevette Interiors.

Go ahead. All four of you. Sit tall and handsome. That's what the inside of a Chevette is all about. There are chair-high front bucket seats that are body-contoured and foam-cushioned. The rear seat is full width and full foam. For '79, there's a new air duct designed to

help improve low level ventilation.

Extensive sound-deadening treatments have been used throughout the Sedan and Coupe (except Scooter), including an insulating blanket added to the front floor area.

Choose your Chevette decor from

the chart below. There is a wide range of carefully blended colors and a selection of rich, durable materials, too. Each color, each fabric reflects a personality and a mood all its own. Select the ones which most closely satisfy your own taste.



Standard color-keyed instrument panel\* shown with available intermittent windshield wiper system, electric rear window defogger control, air conditioning and AM/FM radio.

\*Except Scooter.

## INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR COLOR COMBINATIONS

INTERIOR COLORS	BLACK	BLUE	CAMEL	CARMINE	GREEN	OYSTER
<b>CHEVETTE CUSTOM INTERIOR</b>						
Custom Vinyl (Avail.)		X	X	X	X	
Custom Cloth (Avail.)	X	X	X	X		X
<b>CHEVETTE</b>						
Vinyl (STD.)	X	X	X	X		
Sport Cloth (Avail.)	X	X	X			
<b>SCOOTER</b>						
Vinyl (STD.)	X		X			
Sport Cloth (Avail.)	X		X			
<b>EXTERIOR COLORS</b>						
BEIGE	X		X	X	X	
BLACK	X	X	X	X	X	X
BLUE, BRIGHT (METALLIC)	X	X	X			X
BLUE, DARK (METALLIC)	X	X	X			X
BLUE, LIGHT (METALLIC)	X	X				X
BROWN, DARK (METALLIC)	X		X			X
CAMEL (METALLIC)	X		X			X
CARMINE (METALLIC)	X		X	X		X
GREEN, LIGHT	X		X			X
GREEN, MEDIUM (METALLIC)	X		X			X
RED	X		X	X		X
SILVER	X			X		X
WHITE	X	X	X	X	X	X
YELLOW, BRIGHT	X		X			X



Chevette available Custom interior shown with available carmine Custom Cloth upholstery and Deluxe color-keyed seat and shoulder belts and automatic transmission.



Chevette interior shown in available black Sport Cloth.



Chevette standard vinyl interior shown in camel with available Automatic Shoulder Belt System and automatic transmission.

# Chevette Standard Features.

**1. High Energy Ignition.** A solid-state system that eliminates points and ignition condenser, yet delivers a high-voltage spark that helps extend time between recommended tune-ups.

**2. Built-in diagnostic connector.** Helps facilitate the servicing of the engine electrical system.

**3. Coolant recovery system.** Helps prevent loss of coolant.

**4. Delco Freedom battery.** Never needs refilling. Sealed side terminals help resist corrosion.

**5. Full Coil suspension system.** Puts a resilient coil spring at each wheel that's been computer-selected for the specific model and equipment weight.

**6. Front disc/rear drum brakes.** A self-adjusting system. Front disc brakes are fade resistant and have audible wear sensors to let you know when to replace linings.

**7. Rack-and-pinion steering.** Helps provide responsive steering. Short 30.2-foot turning circle on Coupe makes it easy to maneuver and park.

**8. Flow-through ventilation system.** The addition of a new duct in 1979 helps improve low-level air flow.

**9. Inner fenders.** Bolt-on front fenders feature plastic inner shields for road splash protection.

**10. Double-wall construction.** Provides two layers of steel in doors, hood and hatch lid.

**11. Four-Speed manual transmission.** Provides four, fully synchronized forward ratios with floor-mounted shift selector.

**12. Visible ball joint wear indicators.** Located on front suspension lower control arms for visible check of ball joint wear.

**13. Radial ply tires.** New standard 155/80-R13 glass-belted radial ply tires.

**14. High-pressure compact spare tire.** Takes up less space in the storage compartment than conventional spare tire.

**15. Convenient column-mounted "Smart Switch."** Fingertip control for turn signals, headlight dimmer, windshield wipers and washers.

## EXTENSIVE CORROSION-RESISTANT TREATMENTS.

Include use of zinc-rich precoated metal, special primers and sealers in strategic areas and oil-base coatings on the frame and lower body.

## ACOUSTICAL TREATMENTS.

A torque-tube drive design contributes to isolation of road shock and noise from the passenger compartment. An insulating blanket has been added to the front floor area of Hatchback Sedan and Hatchback Coupe (except Scooter) models. And there are over ten other Amberlite® Plastisol® mastic or spray-on sound deadener treatments used throughout Chevette.

## MORE STANDARDS.

Distinctive new front end styling, featuring a new grille, grille emblem, front hood panel and rectangular headlights set in a bright frame • Energy-absorbing bumper system • Single exhaust system • 12.5-gallon fuel tank • Unitized body construction • Hidden seat belt retractors • Vinyl-coated headlining • All-vinyl trim • Courtesy dome light • Easily accessible instrument panel for serviceability • Cut-pile carpeting • Front stabilizer bar.

And the following are standard on all models except Scooter: AM radio • Center console • White-stripe glass-belted radial ply tires • Wheel trim rings • Bumper rub strips • Swing-out rear windows on Coupe • Deluxe grille • Body side and sill moldings • Color-keyed instrument panel • Brushed aluminum instrument panel moldings • Right-hand door jamb dome light switch • Cigarette lighter • Glove box lock • Sport steering wheel.

## DIMENSIONS (IN INCHES)

	4-Door Hatch- back Sedan	Hatch- back Coupe	Scooter
<b>EXTERIOR</b>			
Wheelbase	97.3	94.3	94.3
Length (overall)	162.6	159.7	158.8
Width (overall)	61.8	61.8	61.8
Height (loaded)	52.3	52.3	52.3
Tread—Front	51.2	51.2	51.2
Tread—Rear	51.2	51.2	51.2
<b>INTERIOR</b>			
Head Room—Front	38.3	38.1	38.1
Head Room—Rear	37.4	37.3	37.3
Leg Room—Front	41.5	41.5	41.5
Leg Room—Rear	33.5	30.6	30.6
Hip Room—Front	49.4	49.9	49.9
Hip Room—Rear	40.5	48.8	48.8
Shoulder Room—Front	49.8	50.1	50.1
Shoulder Room—Rear	49.4	49.3	49.4
Total Cargo Index Volume (cu. ft./ rear seat up)	8.4**	8.4*	8.4*

\*26.3 with rear seat folded.

\*\*27.4 with rear seat folded.

## A WORD ABOUT ENGINES.

The Chevelles shown in this catalog are equipped with GM-built engines produced by various divisions. Please refer to the Chevette Power Teams Chart on this page.

## CHEVETTE SEDAN/COUPE POWER TEAMS

Engine	Ordering Code	Displacement (cubic inches)	Transmission Availability	
			Four-Speed Manual (1)	Automatic (1)
<b>ALL STATES EXCEPT CALIFORNIA (with Standard Emission Equipment)</b>				
1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 (A)	L17	98	Std.	Std. EC
1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 (H.O.) (A)	L18	98	EC	Std. EC
<b>ALL STATES EXCEPT CALIFORNIA (with High Altitude Emission Equipment)</b>				
1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 (A)	L17	98	Std.	Std. EC
1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 (H.O.) (A)	L18	98	EC	Std. EC*
<b>CALIFORNIA ONLY (with California Emission Requirements)</b>				
1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 (A)	L17	98	Std.	Std. EC
1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 (H.O.) (A)	L18	98	EC	Std. EC*

Std. — Standard. EC — Available at Extra Cost.

(1) With floor-mounted shift control (note: mini-console-mounted except on Scooter).

\*Not available at start of production. See your dealer for availability.

(A) PRODUCED BY GM — CHEVROLET MOTOR DIVISION.

## ENGINE SELECTION.

For 1979, Chevette continues to offer a choice of a standard 4-cylinder engine or an available higher output version. However, there have been many improvements and refinements to this year's power teams.

### 1.6 LITRE L4 STANDARD ENGINE.

This modern 1.6 Litre overhead-cam engine with Four-Speed manual transmission is standard. For 1979, engine refinements provide increased horsepower, good drivability with a more positive cold drive-away response and increased acceleration.

A new two-stage 2-barrel carburetor replaces last year's monojet configuration and helps provide smooth operation at low and intermediate speeds. Also, a "tuned" aluminum inlet manifold and refined cylinder head inlet and exhaust porting help enhance the engine's breathing system.

And the following are standard on all models except Scooter: AM radio

• Center console • White-stripe glass-belted radial ply tires • Wheel trim rings

• Bumper rub strips • Swing-out rear

windows on Coupe • Deluxe grille

• Body side and sill moldings • Color-keyed instrument panel • Brushed aluminum instrument panel moldings

• Right-hand door jamb dome light switch • Cigarette lighter • Glove box lock

• Sport steering wheel.

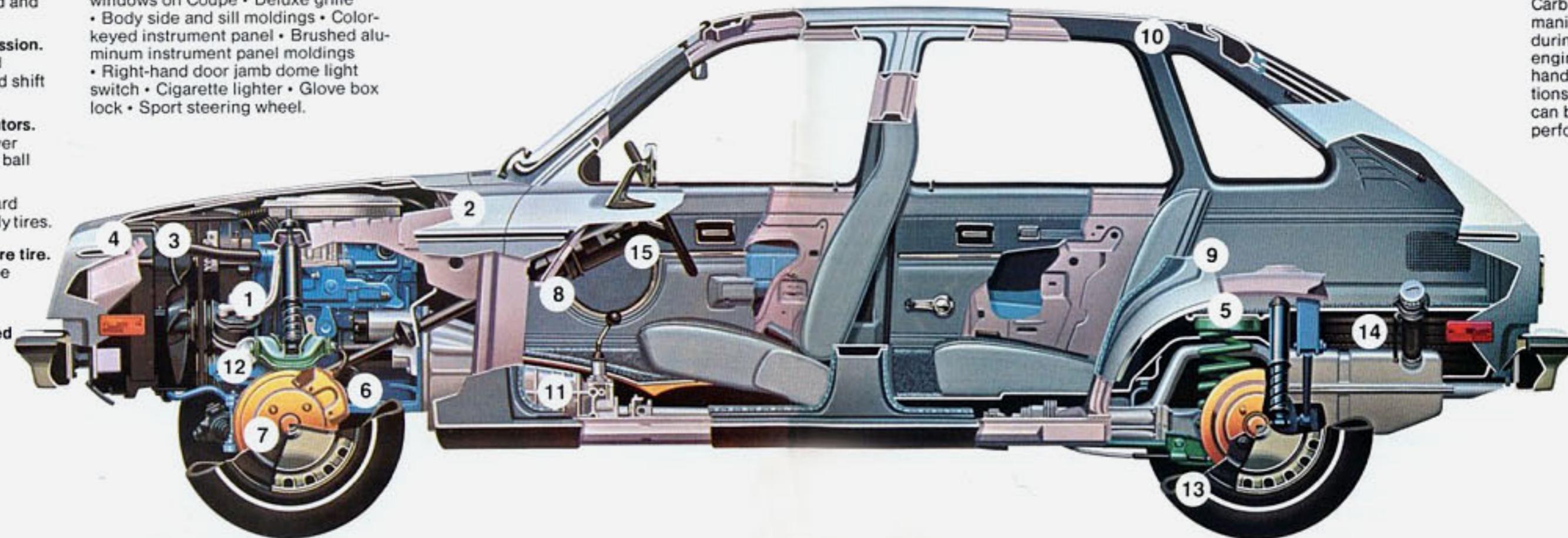
The available High Output version of the 1.6 Litre engine features a high-speed camshaft, larger carburetor and intake manifold, dual-takedown exhaust manifold that helps tune exhaust impulses for good engine breathing.

freer exhaust flow.

REPLACEABLE AIR CLEANER ELEMENT TO HELP REDUCE MAINTENANCE COSTS.

### OTHER STANDARD ENGINE FEATURES.

Carburetor outside air intake ducts cooler outside air through the air cleaner directly into the engine's carburetor to help assure a denser fuel-air mixture for improved performance in different speed ranges after warm-up. Fuel evaporation control system stores fuel vapors normally lost to atmosphere from the fuel tank and carburetor after engine is shut down. Carburetor mixes hot air from the manifold heat stove with outside air during warm-up for improved cold engine operation. Catalytic converter handles most emission control functions outside the engine so the engine can be initially tuned for better overall performance.



# Available Options.

**1. Air conditioning.** Cooling, heating and defogging in one easily operated unit.

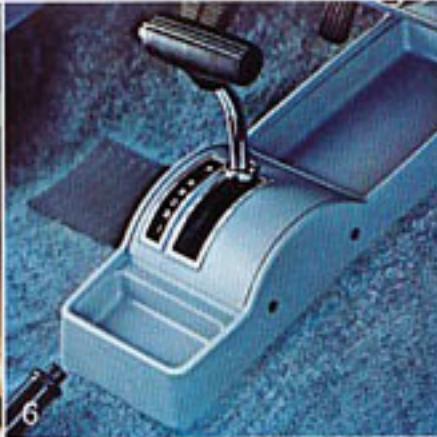


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**4. AM/FM radio.** GM-Delco AM/FM radio with push-button tuning.

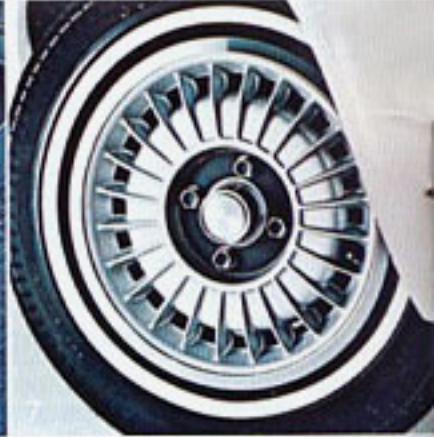


**6. Automatic transmission.** Features three speed ranges and may be shifted manually.



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**7. Sport wheel covers.** Feature an attractive center hub with distinctive fin design.



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**2. Sport mirrors.** Available for both doors. Also available with remote control for left-side mirror only. Color-keyed to body color.\*

**3. Intermittent windshield wiper system.** Lets you adjust wipe cycle from 1/2 to as long as 20 seconds.

\*Not available on Scooter.



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**5. Automatic Shoulder Belt System.** Front seat automatic shoulder belts automatically provide you with a shoulder belt when you enter the car. Included with Automatic Shoulder Belt Convenience Group.\*



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**8. Electric rear window defogger.** Rear window defogger with handy instrument panel control.

**9. Steel-belted radial ply tires.** GM Specification steel-belted blackwall, white-stripe or white-lettered tires.

## SAFETY FEATURES.

### OCCUPANT PROTECTION

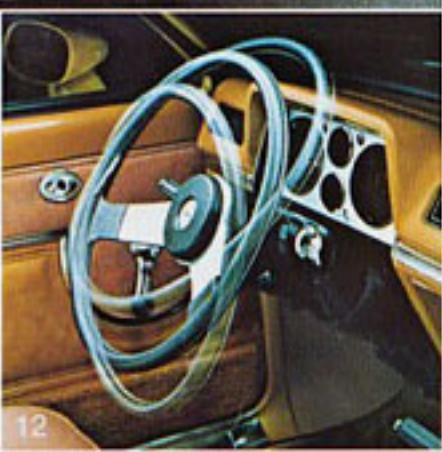
Seat belts with pushbutton buckles for all passenger positions • Two front combination seat and inertia reel shoulder belts for driver (with reminder light and buzzer) and right front passenger • Energy-absorbing

steering column • Passenger guard door locks • Safety door latches and stamped steel hinges • Folding seat back latches • Energy-absorbing padded instrument panel and front seat back tops • Contoured windshield header • Thick laminate windshield

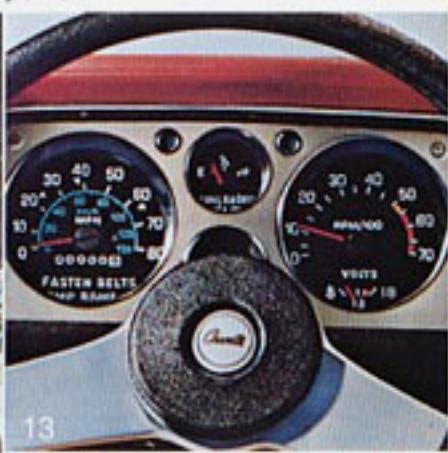
**10. Carpeted cargo area.**  
Handsome color-keyed rear seat-back and removable load floor cut-pile carpeting.\*



**11. Auxiliary lighting.**  
Includes: underhood, glove compartment\*, courtesy lights; right front door dome light switch on Scooter; rear compartment light and switch; headlight warning buzzer. Included with Automatic Shoulder Belt Convenience and Deluxe Appointment Groups.\*



**12. Comforttilt steering wheel.** Adjusts to six positions for most comfortable driving angle and for easier entry and exiting.



**14. Roof carrier.** Added styling plus a practical way to handle extra luggage.

**15. Heavy-duty battery.** Delco Freedom. Never needs refilling. Sealed side terminals help resist corrosion.

For a more complete list of available options see back cover of this catalog.

- Safety armrests • Safety steering wheel.

#### ACCIDENT AVOIDANCE

- Side marker lights and reflectors
- Parking lamps that illuminate with headlamps • Four-way hazard warning

- flasher • Backup lights • Windshield defrosters, washer and dual speed wipers • Wide view inside mirror (vinyl edged, shatter resistant glass and deflecting support) • Outside rearview mirror • Dual master cylinder brake system with warning light

- Starter safety switch • Dual action safety hood latch.

#### ANTI-THEFT

- Anti-theft ignition key reminder buzzer • Anti-theft steering column lock.

## A word about assembly, components and optional equipment in these Chevrolets.

The Chevrolets described in this brochure are assembled at facilities of General Motors Corporation operated by the GM Assembly Division. These vehicles incorporate thousands of different components produced by various divisions of General Motors and by various suppliers to General Motors. From time to time during the manufacturing process, it may be necessary, in order to meet public demand for particular vehicles or equipment, or to meet federally mandated emissions, safety and fuel economy requirements, or for other reasons, to produce Chevrolet products with different components or differently sourced components than initially scheduled. All such components have been approved for use in Chevrolet products and will provide the quality performance associated with the Chevrolet name.

With respect to extra cost optional equipment, make certain you specify the type of equipment you desire on your vehicle when ordering it from your dealer. Some options may be unavailable when your car is built. Your dealer receives advice regarding current availability of options. You may ask the dealer for this information. GM also requests the dealer to advise you if an option you ordered is unavailable. We suggest you verify that your car includes the optional equipment you ordered or, if there are changes, that they are acceptable to you.

# Reasons to buy Chevette.

- Attractively priced with a high level of standard equipment.
- Chevrolet's lowest priced 2- or 4-door models.\*
- Good serviceability.
  - Long recommended service intervals.
  - Do-it-yourself maintenance handbook.
  - Standard engine diagnostic connector.
- Impressive interior roominess and hatch-back versatility in 2- or 4-door models.
- Wide array of comfort and convenience options available including automatic transmission.
- Quality engineered and designed for built-in value.
  - Generous application of acoustical materials.
  - Extensive use of anti-corrosion treatments and materials.
  - Standard ball joint wear indicators, disc brake pad wear sensors, coolant recovery system, and Delco Freedom battery.

\*Based on a comparison of Chevrolet's Suggested Retail Prices.

## BUILD YOUR OWN CHEVETTE

(See your dealer for up-to-date ordering information and specific model/option availability.)

### MODELS

Chevette 4-Door Hatchback Sedan    Chevette Hatchback Coupe    Chevette Scooter Hatchback Coupe

### COLORS (See chart on page 6 for color availability and combinations.)

Exterior color \_\_\_\_\_ Interior color \_\_\_\_\_ Tri-Tone sport striping\* \_\_\_\_\_ Upholstery \_\_\_\_\_

### ENGINES (See chart on page 9 for engine/transmission availability.)

1.6 Litre L4—Std.    1.6 Litre L4 High Output—Avail.

### TRANSMISSIONS

Four-Speed manual—Std.†    Automatic transmission—Avail.

### AVAILABLE OPTIONS

- Air conditioning
- Automatic transmission
- Automatic Shoulder Belt System Convenience Group\*
- Automatic Shoulder Belt
- Deluxe color-keyed seat and shoulder belts\*
- Deluxe Appointment Group\*
- Power brakes
- Bumper rub strips\*\*
- Bumper guards
- Roof carrier
- Electric rear window defogger
- Deluxe exterior\*
  - Wheel opening moldings
  - Side window reveal moldings
- Removable load floor carpet\*
- Color-keyed front and rear floor mats
- Tinted glass
- Comfortilt steering wheel
- Custom interior trim\*
  - Deluxe seat and sidewall trim

\*Not available on Scooter

\*\*Available on Scooter, standard on other models

†Not available in California with High Altitude Emission Equipment

- Day/night inside rearview mirror
- Passenger assist grip on right-hand roof rail
- Load floor and seat-back carpeting
- Added acoustical insulation
- Quiet Sound Group\*
- Special Instrumentation\*
- Cigarette lighter\*\*
- Day/night inside rearview mirror
- Sport shifter\*
- Sport mirrors LH remote & RH manual\*

### MOLDINGS

- Body side moldings\*\*
- Door edge guard moldings
- Side window reveal moldings\*
- Tri-Tone sport striping\*

### SOUND EQUIPMENT

- AM radio\*\*
- AM/FM radio
- AM/FM stereo radio\*
- Rear seat speaker\*

### TIRES

- P155/80 R13 glass-belted radial white-stripe tires\*\*
- P155/80 R13 steel-belted radial ply blackwall tires
- P155/80 R13 steel-belted radial ply white-stripe tires
- P155/80 R13 steel-belted radial ply white-lettered tires\*

### WHEEL TRIM AND WHEEL COVERS

- Wheel trim rings\*\*
- Sport wheel covers\*

### MISCELLANEOUS

- Intermittent windshield wiper system
- Heavy-duty battery
- Heavy-duty radiator\*
- Sport suspension (available with steel-belted radial ply tires only).

