

# Chevette

Chevrolet



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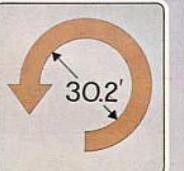
STANDARD: AM radio.\*



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



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



STANDARD: Bumper rub strips.\*



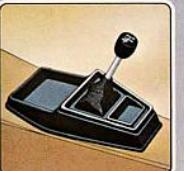
STANDARD: Sport steering wheel.\*



STANDARD: Deluxe grille, grille emblem and single headlights.



STANDARD: Centre floor console.\*



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



STANDARD: Wheel trim rings.\*



STANDARD: Cigarette lighter.\*



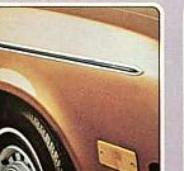
STANDARD: Colour-keyed instrument panel.\*



STANDARD: Glove compartment door and lock.\*



STANDARD: Body side mouldings.\*



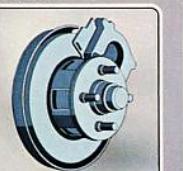
STANDARD: Reclining bucket seats.\*



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: 4-Speed manual transmission.



STANDARD: Retractable seat belts.



STANDARD: "Smart Switch."



Chevette Hatchback Coupe shown in camel metallic.

\*Except Scooter.

## Chevy Chevette. A lot of car for your 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. 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 your money. Isn't it about time you took advantage of an offer like this?

### A word about this catalogue:

We have tried to make this catalogue 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. Your dealer has details of all significant changes and, before ordering, you should ask him to bring you up to date.

ALL '79 CHEVETTES ARE  
COVERED BY THE GENERAL  
MOTORS THREE YEAR  
PERFORATION FROM  
CORROSION WARRANTY.



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.

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Chevette Scooter Hatchback Coupe



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

# Chevette Interiors.

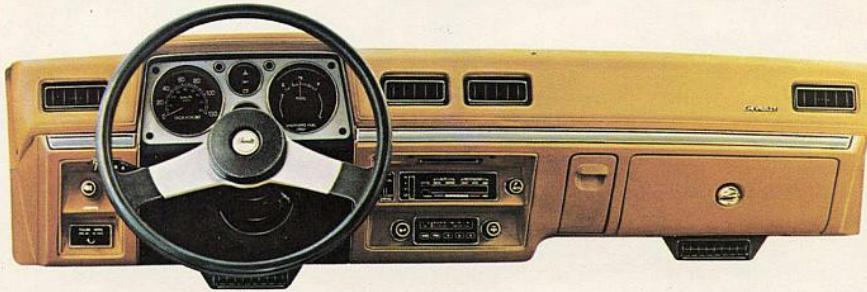
Go ahead. All four of you. Sit tall and handsome. That's what the inside of a Chevette is all about. There are chair-high front bucket seats that are body-contoured and foam-cushioned. The rear seat is full width and full foam. For '79, there's a new air duct designed to

help improve ventilation.

Shhhh. You'll find that extensive sound-deadening treatments have been used throughout the Sedan and Coupe, 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 colours and a selection of rich, durable materials, too. Each colour, each fabric reflects a personality and a mood all its own. Select the ones which most closely satisfy your own taste.



Standard colour-keyed instrument panel\* with standard sport steering wheel,\* AM radio,\* cigarette lighter,\* glove compartment and lock,\* shown with available intermittent windshield wiper system, electric rear window defogger, air conditioning and AM/FM radio.

## INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR COLOUR COMBINATIONS

INTERIOR COLOURS	UPHOLSTERY	BLACK	BLUE	CAMEL	CARMINE	GREEN	OYSTER
<b>CHEVETTE CUSTOM INTERIOR</b>							
Custom Vinyl (Avail.)		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 COLOURS</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

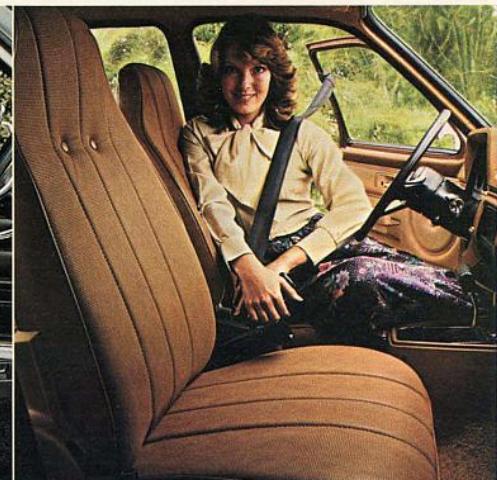
\*Except Scooter.



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



Chevette standard vinyl interior shown in camel with available automatic transmission.



Chevette standard cloth interior shown in available black Sport Cloth upholstery and available 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 recover 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 manoeuvre 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 P155/80R-13 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, wind-shield wipers and washers.

## EXTENSIVE CORROSION-RESISTANT TREATMENTS.

There is extensive use of galvanized steels and Zircrometal® panels. An oil base wax coating is used for the frame, an abrasion-resistant coating for the lower body and special coatings, primers and sealers are used in strategic areas.

## ACOUSTICAL TREATMENTS.

A torque-tube drive design contributes to effective 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 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 • 47.3 litres (10.4-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.

And the following are standard on all models except Scooter: AM radio • Centre 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 mouldings • Colour-keyed instrument panel • Brushed aluminum instrument panel mouldings • Right-hand door jamb dome light switch • Cigarette lighter • Glove box lock • Sport steering wheel.

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## DIMENSIONS: Millimetres (Inches)

	4-Door Hatch	Hatch-back Sedan	Hatch-back Coupe	Scooter
Wheelbase	2471 (97.3)	2394 (94.3)	2394 (94.3)	
Length (overall)	4130 (162.6)	4057 (159.7)	4034 (158.8)	
Width (overall)	1570 (61.8)	1570 (61.8)	1570 (61.8)	
Height (loaded)	1329 (52.3)	1329 (52.3)	1329 (52.3)	
Tread-Front	1300 (51.2)	1300 (51.2)	1300 (51.2)	
Tread-Rear	1300 (51.2)	1300 (51.2)	1300 (51.2)	

## INTERIOR

Head Room-Front	973 (38.3)	968 (38.1)	968 (38.1)
Head Room-Rear	949 (37.4)	947 (37.3)	947 (37.3)
Leg Room-Front	1055 (41.5)	1055 (41.5)	1055 (41.5)
Leg Room-Rear	851 (33.5)	776 (30.6)	776 (30.6)
Hip Room-Front	1256 (49.4)	1286 (49.9)	1286 (49.9)
Hip Room-Rear	1028 (40.5)	1240 (48.8)	1240 (48.8)
Shoulder Room-Front	1266 (49.8)	1273 (50.1)	1273 (50.1)
Shoulder Room-Rear	1256 (49.4)	1253 (49.3)	1253 (49.3)
Total Cargo Index			
Volume (litre/cu. ft.)			
Rear Seat Up	38 (8.4)*	38 (8.4)*	38 (8.4)*
**745 litres. (26.3 cu. ft.) with rear seat folded.			
**788 litres. (27.4 cu. ft.) with rear seat folded.			

## LONG RECOMMENDED SERVICE INTERVALS

(Under normal driving conditions)

Engine Oil	12 months or 12,000 kilometres (7,500 miles)
Oil Filter	12 months or 12,000 kilometres (7,500 miles); every 24,000 kilometres (15,000 miles) thereafter
Carburetor Air Filter (replaceable element type)	Up to 80,000 kilometres (50,000 miles)
Spark Plugs	Up to 36,000 kilometres (22,500 miles)
Chassis Lubrication	12 months or 12,000 kilometres (7,500 miles)
Automatic Transmission Fluid Change	Every 96,000 kilometres (60,000 miles)

## A WORD ABOUT ENGINES.

The Chevettes shown in this catalogue are equipped with GM-built engines produced by various divisions. Please refer to the Chevette Power Teams Chart on this page and see your dealer for details.

## 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 (98 CU. IN.) STANDARD ENGINE.

This modern 1.6 litre overhead-cam engine with 4-Speed manual transmission 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 operation. Also, a "tuned" aluminum inlet manifold and refined cylinder head inlet and exhaust porting help enhance the engine's breathing system.

## CHEVETTE SEDAN/COUPE POWER TEAMS

Engine	V.I.N. Code	Ordering Code	Displacement (cubic inches)	Transmission Availability		
				Four-Speed Manual	RPO MM4	Automatic RPO MX1
1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 (A)	E	L17	98	Std.	Std.	EC
1.6 Litre 2-Bbl. L4 (H.O.) (A)	O	L18	98	EC	Std.	EC

+V.I.N. (Vehicle Identification Number) Engine code is the fifth entry (letter or numeral) from the left on the vehicle serial number plate. The vehicle serial number plate is located on the top panel of the driver's side of the instrument panel and can be viewed from the exterior of the car by looking through the windshield.

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

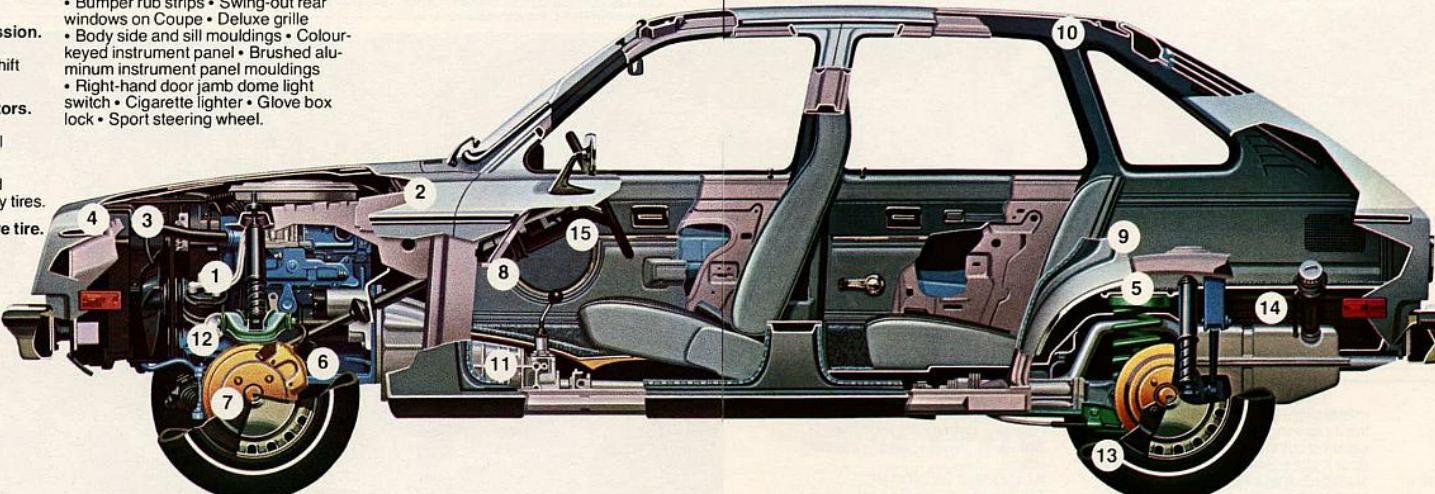
(1) With floor-mounted shift control (note: mini-console-mounted except on Scooter).

(A) Produced by GM - Chevrolet Motor Division, Flint, Michigan Engine Plant.

## 1.6 LITRE L4 (98 CU. IN.) (HIGH OUTPUT)

## OTHER STANDARD ENGINE FEATURES.

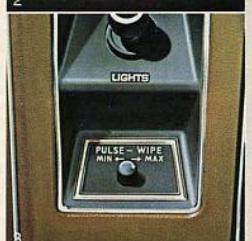
Carburetor outside air intake ducts cooler outside air through the air cleaner directly into the engine's carburetor to help assure a denser fuel-air mixture for improved performance in different speed ranges after warm-up. Fuel evaporation control system stores fuel vapours normally lost to atmosphere 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.

**4. AM/FM radio.** Delco-GM AM/FM radio with push-button tuning. Windshield antenna included with factory-installed radios.

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



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

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

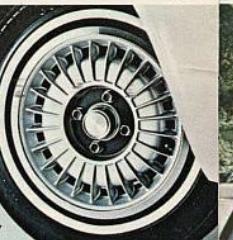
minder light and buzzer) and right front passenger • Energy-absorbing steering column • Passenger guard door locks • Safety door latches and stamped steel hinges • Folding seat back latches • Energy-absorbing padded instrument panel and front

seat back tops • Contoured windshield header • Laminated windshield • Safety armrests • Safety steering wheel.  
**ACCIDENT AVOIDANCE**  
Side marker lights and reflectors • Parking lamps that illuminate with

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



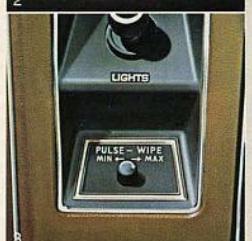
**7. Sport wheel covers.** Feature an attractive centre hub with distinctive fin design.\*



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



**13. Special instrumentation.** Easy-to-read gauge-type instruments. Adds a tachometer and a voltmeter to the instrument panel.\*



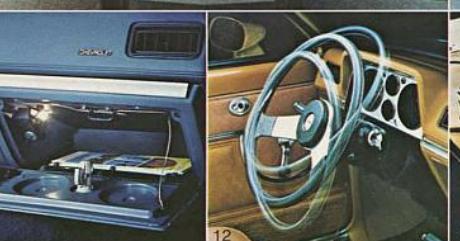
**5. Sport Suspension.** For added firmness and manoeuvring feel many drivers prefer. Includes rear stabilizer bar.



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

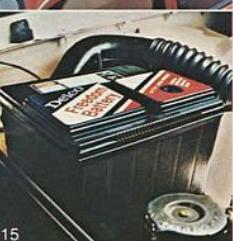
**9. Steel-belted radial ply tires.** GM Specification steel-belted blackwall, white-stripe or white-lettered tires.

\*Not available on Scooter



**11. Auxiliary lighting.** Includes: underhood, glove compartment and courtesy lights; right front door dome light switch on Scooter; rear compartment light and switch and headlight warning buzzer.

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



**14. Luggage carrier.** Added styling plus a practical way to hold 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 catalogue.

BE SURE TO TALK TO YOUR DEALER ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF OUR MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL REPAIR PROTECTION OPTION FOR YOUR VEHICLE.

**"A word about assembly, components, and optional equipment in these vehicles.**

The vehicles described in this brochure are assembled at facilities of General Motors of Canada Limited or car Divisions of General Motors Corporation or at facilities of General Motors Corporation operated by the G.M. Assembly Division. These vehicles incorporate thousands of different components produced by General Motors of Canada Limited and related companies and by various suppliers to General Motors of Canada Limited or related companies. 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 emission and safety requirements or fuel economy guidelines, or for other reasons, to produce vehicles with different components or differently sourced components than initially scheduled. All such components have been approved for use in our products by General Motors of Canada Limited or related companies and will provide the quality performance associated with our 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.

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## 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 re-

seats back tops • Contoured windshield header • Laminated windshield • 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.

# Reasons to buy Chevette.

- Inexpensively 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 hatchback 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.)

### MODELS

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

### COLOURS (See chart on page 6 for colour availability and combinations.)

Exterior colour\_\_\_\_\_ Interior colour\_\_\_\_\_ 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

4-Speed manual     Automatic transmission

### AVAILABLE OPTIONS

- Air conditioning
- Automatic transmission
- Deluxe colour-keyed seat and shoulder belts\*
- Power brakes
- Bumper rub strips\*
- Bumper guards
- Roof carrier
- Electric clock
- Electric rear window defogger
- Deluxe exterior\*
  - Wheel opening mouldings
  - Deluxe body sill mouldings
  - Side window reveal mouldings
- Removable load floor carpet\*
- Colour-keyed front and rear floor mats
- Tinted glass
- Auxiliary lighting
- Comfortline steering wheel
- Custom interior trim\*
  - Deluxe seat and sidewall trim

- 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\*

### MOULDINGS AND TRIM

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

### SOUND EQUIPMENT

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

### TIRES

- P155/80 R-13 glass-belted radial white-stripe tires\*\*
- P155/80 R-13 steel-belted radial ply blackwall tires
- P155/80 R-13 steel-belted radial ply white-stripe tires
- P155/80 R-13 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

\*Not available on Scooter

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



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