

Chevette

**What are friends for if not to tell
each other about a car like Chevette.**



Chevette Hatchback Coupe with available white stripe tires, wheel trim rings and roof carrier.

A sample* of first-year Chevette owners showed that
63% have already recommended a Chevette to a friend.

*Yankelovich, Skelly and White, Inc. Chevette Buyer Study prepared for Chevrolet Motor Division, February, 1978.

Chevrolet



In Georgia, Duane Mattix was used to the room of a station wagon. He got a Chevette. And already he's helped sell Chevettes to four of his friends.

The word's getting around. "Chevette."

For over a year now, people have driven it, packed it with suitcases, filled it with children, wheeled it around corners, and saved money with it.

And they like it.

So much so, in fact, that a great many of them like Duane have gone past just liking their Chevette to out-and-out recommending it to their friends.

They've gone out on a limb for their Chevette.

And in this 1977 catalog, we'd like to give you the solid reasons why.

Room for four comfortable people.

When we created the Chevette, we had one thing uppermost in mind—efficiency.

Efficiency of size, space, power and maintenance.

That's why the Chevette is a very clean-shaped car. With no useless bulk or overhang. Making it so wonderfully agile. But with space inside that'll surprise you.

You sit in front bucket seats that are chair-high. Body-contoured for support. With upholstery choices running all the way up to this year's new Sandpiper interior.

There's plenty of head room.

(More even than in some well-known mid-size car models.)

Your legs stretch out naturally.

The rear seat is full-width, full-foam.

Wagon-like when you like.

Fold down the rear seat back and presto: You've created a clear, flat cargo floor in back.

A wide-open space that makes your Chevette practical like a wagon.

With an unobstructed carrying space for 26 cubic feet of things.

Four-foot-wide hatchback.

When you've got a cargo



space as large and useful as a Chevette's, it only makes sense that it be real easy to get to.

And it is.

When you lift the hatchback door handle, it almost seems like the whole back of the Chevette opens up.

You can slide things inside that are a full four feet wide.

All in all, it's easy to see why

so many owners have told friends about Chevette so quickly.

Something like this is just too big to keep to yourself for long.

Chevette vital statistics:

(Because Chevette is international in engineering and design, metric measurements are also given.)

WHEELBASE 94.3" (2394 mm)

OVERALL LENGTH 158.7" (4031 mm)

CURB WEIGHT 2019 lbs. (915 kg)

MAX. WIDTH 61.8" (1570 mm)

HEIGHT 52.3" (1329 mm)

MIN. GROUND CLEARANCE 5.3" (135 mm)

MAX. CARGO VOLUME 26.3 cu. ft. (742 litres)

HATCH MAX. WIDTH 48.0" (1219.2 mm)

HATCH MAX. HEIGHT 28.5" (724 mm)

FRONT HEAD ROOM 38.1" (968 mm)

REAR HEAD ROOM 37.3" (947 mm)

FRONT SHOULDER ROOM 50.1" (1273 mm)

REAR SHOULDER ROOM 49.3" (1253 mm)

FRONT HIP ROOM 49.9" (1268 mm)

REAR HIP ROOM	48.8" (1240 mm)
FRONT LEG ROOM	41.5" (1055 mm)
REAR LEG ROOM	28.1" (715 mm)
FUEL CAPACITY	13 gal. (49.2 litres)

Owners of 1976 Chevettes mentioned throughout this catalog are represented by professional models.

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In Colorado, Lila Zimbelman told her parents how efficient her Chevette was. Taking after their level-headed daughter, mom and dad got one, too.

When something is efficient, it doesn't waste things.

Like sheet metal, interior space, even time and effort in getting around a corner.

And especially not expensive gasoline.

Which is why the good news about Chevette hasn't wasted any time either, in getting around the country.

43 mpg **31 mpg**

EPA estimates for the 1977 Chevette: 43 mpg highway, 31 mpg city, with the available 1.6-liter engine, standard 4-Speed manual transmission.

(In California, EPA figures are lower: 39 mpg highway, 28 mpg city.)

Remember, EPA 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 available equipment.

More power, plus even more efficiency.

Through refinements and developments, we've actually improved Chevette engine efficiency for 1977.

Efficiency that was already the envy of a lot of other economy cars.

The standard 1.4-liter engine has up to 9.6% more horsepower this year. The available 1.6-liter engine—which was certainly no slouch when it came to moving out last year—has up to 5% more horsepower for '77.

We accomplished this by reworking the carburetor of the standard engine. By changing the air control systems. And by working in more sophisticated camshaft timing patterns.

ENGINE	1.4-litre 1-bbl. Four Standard (1)	1.6-litre 1-bbl. Four Available
SAE net (as installed) rating.	57 HP	63 HP
4-Speed Manual Trans- mission Standard	Axle Ratio 3.70† Standard 4.11† Avail. (3.4)	Axle Ratio 3.70† Standard 4.11† Avail. (3.5)
Turbo Hydra- matic Trans- mission Available (2)	4.11†	3.70† Standard 4.11† Avail. (3.5)

SPECIAL NOTE: California Emission Equipment required for registration in California. In other states, High Altitude Emission Equipment may be required in areas 4,000 feet or more above sea level. 1Axle ratio. (1) Not available in California or with High Altitude Emission Equipment. (2) Not available with 1.4-liter engine and air conditioning. (3) Performance axle ratio. (4) Included with air conditioning. (5) Included with High Altitude Emission Equipment.

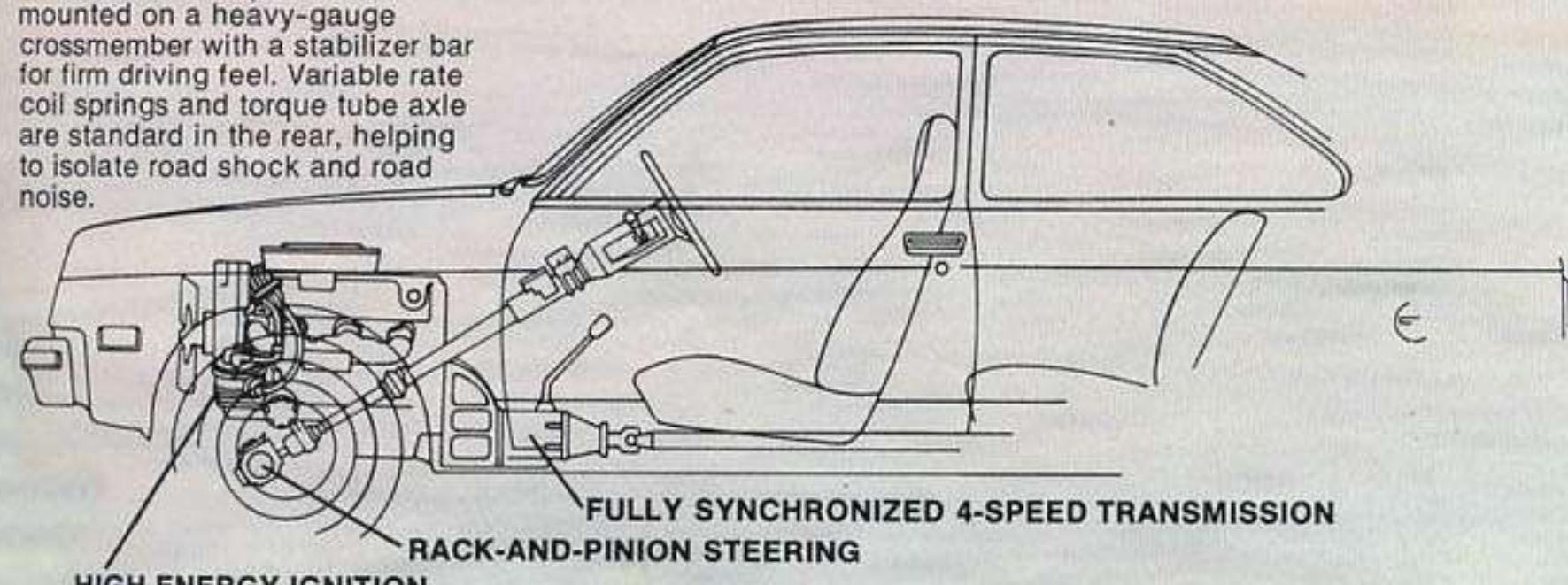
A catalytic converter handles most of the Chevette's emission needs, so your engine can be tuned for good performance.

Standard in every Chevette is a High Energy Ignition system. Its spark to the plugs is up to 85 percent hotter than earlier conventional breaker-point systems.

Result: Responsive ignition performance. Fast starts.

Suspension and axle.

The front suspension is mounted on a heavy-gauge crossmember with a stabilizer bar for firm driving feel. Variable rate coil springs and torque tube axle are standard in the rear, helping to isolate road shock and road noise.



FULLY SYNCHRONIZED 4-SPEED TRANSMISSION
RACK-AND-PINION STEERING

HIGH ENERGY IGNITION

Rack-and-pinion-easy steering.

Chevette's 15-inch steering wheel is connected to a European-type rack-and-pinion system.

A steering design that gives a light, pleasant feel to the way a car moves. Chevette's turning circle is just 30.2 feet. One of the shortest in the world.

The kind of maneuverability you couldn't steer friends wrong by telling them about.



In Massachusetts, Kimball Wyman liked the way his Chevette was built so much, he let a few friends at work drive it. Three have bought their own. So far.

If a friendship's going to last, the car you recommend to someone had better last, too.

Chevette is designed to keep everybody happy a long time.

Extensive corrosion protection.

As months and miles whiz by, you'll come to appreciate the true beauties of your Chevette.

Especially its inner beauty.

For hidden deep within it are the benefits of extensive steps taken in construction to help fight time, wear and rust for you.

Zincrometal^{*} is a steel with characteristics that combine corrosion-resistance with paint adhesion. Meaning it likes paint, while strongly disliking rust. This more expensive metal is used in Chevette cowl panels, hood, roof rails and rear panels.

A water-repellent wax-base spray is applied to inner doors, rocker panels and rear quarter panels.

Tough epoxy paint has more flexibility than ordinary paint for giving and expanding without

cracking. So Chevette's coil springs are sheathed in a coat of

Chevette's rear springs are sealed in a housing protected by a corrosion-resistant oil base coating.

Front inner fender liners of hard, non-corrosive plastic help protect the outer fenders from mud buildup and road stones.

And key areas of quarter and rear panels, the underbody, hatch and doors are sealed with zinc-rich primers—before Chevette's Magic-Mirror acrylic finish goes on.

Solid unitized body.

By building a body that's a single, integral unit, we're able to give the Chevette a body that's rigid and structurally tight.

Chevette's well-thought-out design also features a hood and grille that lift as a single unit, opening the engine compartment wide for servicing.

Chevette also offers bolt-on front fenders for speedy repairs or replacement.

Chevette's bumper system.

The steel bumpers are mounted directly to shock absorbers, which in turn are mounted directly to solid underbody rails. A sturdy arrangement.

Chevette's a friendly, happy-go-lucky kind of car.

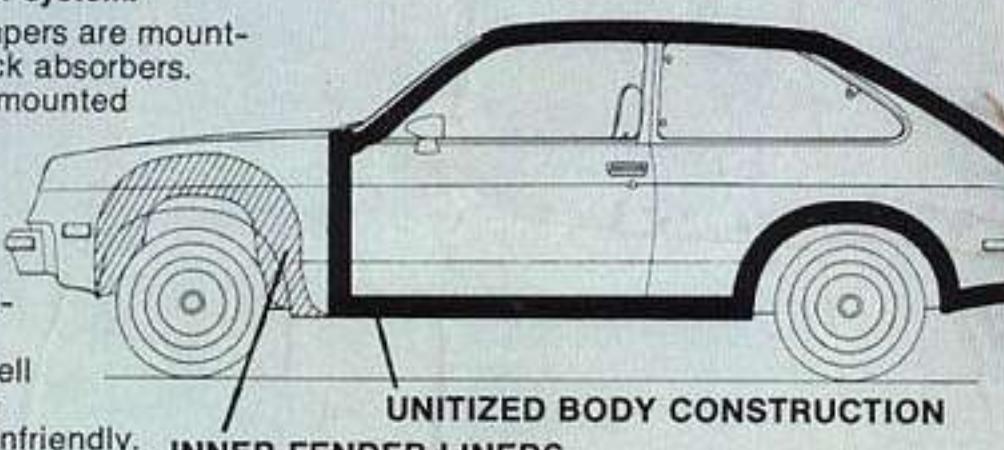
But it's also well bumpered, in case another car gets unfriendly.

Acrylic body colors—14 in all.

Color your Chevette Coupe Antique White*, Silver*, Black, Light Blue, Dark Blue Metallic, Light Lime*, Firethorn Metallic*, Aqua Metallic, Bright Yellow, Light Buckskin, Bright Orange, Brown Metallic, Light Red* or Orange Metallic.

Colors marked with * are also Scooter colors.

The Chevette Sandpiper comes in either Antique White or a new Cream Gold.





In Boston, Margaret Connolly recommends Chevette to her friends as a wise buy. One good reason: The people she bought hers from.

No matter how tough we build it, or how long we extend its service intervals, your Chevette's eventually going to need a little TLC.

A little Tender Loving Care.

More than 6,000 Chevy dealers everywhere.

We've all heard horror stories about foreign car owners waiting for parts or looking all over the

place for a dealer while on a trip. Not if your small car's a Chevette.

Wherever you live, or go, chances are there's a Chevy dealer nearby.

With service a specialty.

Electronic service diagnosis.

Pull your Chevette into a Chevy dealer for service and an engine electrical diagnostic

terminal built into the car can help the mechanic check a lot of things faster, with electronic accuracy. And the quicker the job goes, the less it should cost you.

With a little equipment, you can make driveway checks of much of your Chevette's electrical system yourself using this terminal.

A separate terminal speeds diagnosis of the available air conditioning equipment, too.

Nice, long intervals for recommended maintenance.

• Air Cleaner: Up to 50,000 miles	• Spark Plugs: Up to 22,500 miles*
• Engine Oil: 12 months or 7,500 miles	• Chassis Lube: 12 months or 7,500 miles
• Oil Filter: First 7,500 miles; every 15,000 miles thereafter	• Automatic Transmission Fluid: 60,000 miles

*1.6-liter engine in California and at high altitude
change interval is 30,000 miles.

Carefree Freedom battery.

Delco's Freedom battery sparks every Chevette to life.

It never needs refilling, has a sealed-for-life top, no filler caps to check, and its side terminals resist corrosive buildup.

It's simply designed to free you from battery cares.

Do it yourself and save.

Chevette is a car meant to save you money, so in the glove compartment you'll find a handy service manual.

It's there because one of the

surest ways to save money with a car is to do the little jobs of taking care of it yourself.

This book gives you simple instructions for doing minor servicing with your own two hands. (Of course, it helps that Chevette is quite a simple car to start with.)

We figure that after the manual's told you what to do, you'll probably tell somebody how much money you saved doing it yourself.

That way, you benefit. And we benefit.



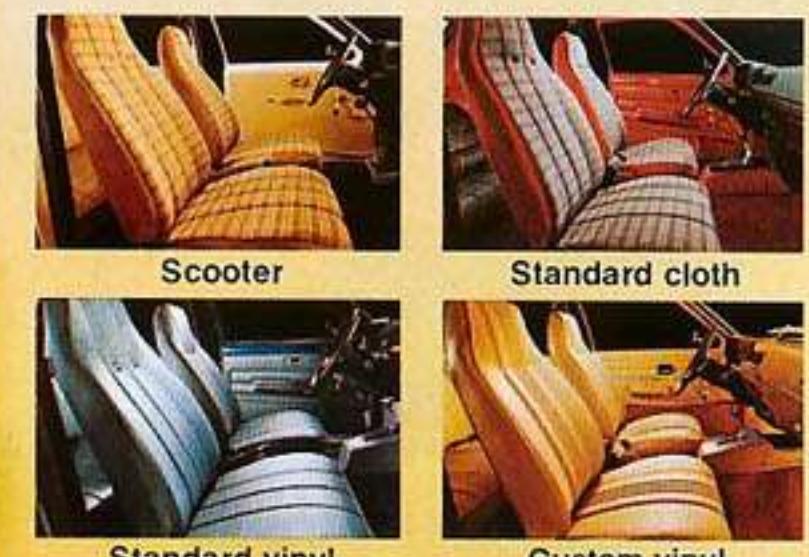
In Los Angeles, Reinhard Lesser liked it inside the Chevette a lot. He bought one. Now his son drives it. A lot.

No matter how enthusiastically a Chevette is recommended, eventually you have to sit in judgment yourself.

It's a nice place to be.

The Chevette Coupe is proof that you needn't lower your standards just because you want a car that's efficient. It can be a quiet place to be. With heavy standard acoustical insulation. Inside, notice all that's standard, too. The shift lever is floor-mounted. An ingenious "Smart Switch" puts important controls at your fingertips. Carpeting is thick. Standard coupe upholstery is soft all-vinyl in Black, Blue, Buckskin or Firethorn, or available plaid cloth-and-vinyl in Buckskin or Firethorn.

Scooter's the lowest priced Chevette. What if you'd rather always have the back of your Chevette clear for carrying things? Then just order your Scooter without a rear seat and save even more. You have your choice of all-vinyl in Black or Buckskin or plaid cloth-and-vinyl upholstery in Buckskin.



The nicest Chevettes.

The available *Custom Interior* has even more sound insulation. The load floor in back is fully carpeted. Deluxe trim features brushed aluminum accents. The steering wheel is a special sport model. Your upholstery choices are all-vinyl Black, Blue, Buckskin, Firethorn or White. Or available cloth-and-vinyl Blue, Buckskin or Firethorn.

And the available new *Chevette Sandpiper* is a one-of-a-kind 1977 eye-opener, inside and out. Starting with all the good things of the *Custom Interior*, it has a brightness and "Sandpiper" personality uniquely its own.

Scooter to Sandpiper, a Chevette interior is a nice place to be.

The kind of place you'd recommend to a friend.



In Minnesota, Mrs. Maxine Clausen simply tells everybody that what she likes best about her Chevette is simply everything.

The 1977 Chevette standards: They're a lot to like.

- 1.4-litre overhead cam engine.
- Fully synchronized 4-Speed manual transmission.
- Built-in engine electrical diagnostic terminal.
- High Energy Ignition.
- Rack-and-pinion steering.
- Short 30.2-ft. turning circle.
- Full-width hatch.
- 13-gallon gas tank.
- Long recommended maintenance intervals.
- Strong unitized body.
- Extensive anti-corrosion protection.
- Protective front fender liners.

- Extensive acoustical insulation.
- Front disc brakes with audible wear sensors.
- Delco Freedom battery.
- Coolant recovery system.
- "Smart Switch."
- Full foam front bucket seats.
- Wall-to-wall cut-pile carpeting.
- Heater and defroster system.
- Courtesy light above windshield.
- Shock-absorbing steel bumpers.
- Left, outside rearview mirror.
- Easy instrument panel serviceability.
- Spare tire beneath cargo floor.
- Bias ply tires on 13" x 5" wheels.
- Magic-Mirror acrylic finish.
- Tri-color taillights.

- Aerodynamically designed front spoiler.
- Catalytic converter.

For your safety and security. OCCUPANT PROTECTION FEATURES

- 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 hinges.

- Folding seat back latches.
- Energy-absorbing padded instrument panel and front seat back tops.
- Thick-laminate windshield.
- Safety armrests.
- Safety steering wheel.
- Smooth-contoured door and window regulator handles.
- Soft, low-profile window control knobs, coat hooks, dome light.
- Automatic locking front and rear outboard seat belt retractors.
- Shoulder belt anchorages for rear seat outboard occupants.
- Pressure lock radiator cap.
- High-strength front seat anchorages and construction.
- High-strength rear seat retention.
- Stamped steel door hinges.
- Contoured windshield header.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION FEATURES

- Side marker lights and reflectors.
- Parking lamps that illuminate with headlamps.
- Four-way hazard warning flasher.
- Backup lights.
- Lane change feature in direction signal control.
- Windshield defroster, washer and dual-speed wiper.
- 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.
- Low-glare instrument panel top, inside windshield moldings, wiper arms and blades, and steering wheel metallic surfaces.

- Dual-action safety hood latch.
- Safety wheel rims.
- Uniform shift quadrant.
- No winged wheel nuts, discs and caps.
- Front disc brakes with audible wear indicators.
- Self-adjusting brakes.
- Illumination of windshield wiper and washer, heater and defroster controls.
- Pressure-relief gas cap.

ANTI-THEFT FEATURES

- Anti-theft ignition key reminder buzzer.
- Anti-theft steering column lock.
- Anti-theft key system (one key for ignition only, other key for doors and hatch).
- Visible vehicle identification.

Some final, friendly persuasion from Chevy dealers everywhere, who have all these 1977 Chevette choices and options available for you.

Chevrolet offers a wide selection of available options for your new Chevette. Availability often depends on

model and other equipment selected. Your Chevrolet dealer can answer any questions.

CHEVETTE HATCHBACK COUPE

This is the standard Chevette which has so much value going for it. The 1.4-litre OHC engine, 4-Speed manual transmission and diagnostic terminal. Comfort features that include full foam seats, fold-down rear seat, flow-through ventilation, plus all the standards you read about on the preceding two pages.



RALLY SPORT

Take the Chevette Coupe, add the gutsy 1.6-litre OHC engine, rear stabilizer, tachometer and voltmeter, console, Sport Shifter with 4-Speed transmission, sport steering wheel, passenger assist grip and you have the 1977 Rally Sport. Special striping and identification, black accents, sport wheel covers are also included.



SCOOTER

Our lowest priced Chevette offers you a special choice—a fold-down rear seat which you can delete for added savings, added cargo area. The 1.4-litre OHC engine and 4-Speed manual transmission are among the standard features. Your Chevrolet dealer has the full list of Scooter equipment.



SANDPIPER

Our newest Chevette, with eye-catching identification and special trim that belong to Sandpiper alone. The rich Cream Gold exterior color is standard. Also available: Antique White.



Shown below is Sandpiper's special interior trim.



Bright and happy. That's Sandpiper with the special Custom Interior that features richly patterned "Reef" cloth-and-vinyl upholstery in tones of Yellow, Cream and Gold. Carpeting, instrument panel and seat belts are Yellow Gold. Also included: deluxe door trim, brushed aluminum accents, sport steering wheel, day-night rearview mirror, carpeted cargo area and added acoustical insulation.



AM RADIO. A Delco radio produced to General Motors and Chevrolet quality standards.



AM/FM RADIO. Pushbutton tuning and twin speakers. Only genuine Delco radios carry the "Delco-GM" trademark.



RADIAL PLY TIRES. GM-Specification steel-belted. Blackwall, white stripe or white letter.



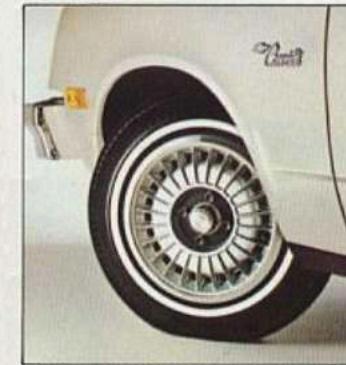
HEAVY-DUTY BATTERY. Delco Freedom. Never needs water. Extra power for frequent starting or cold weather.



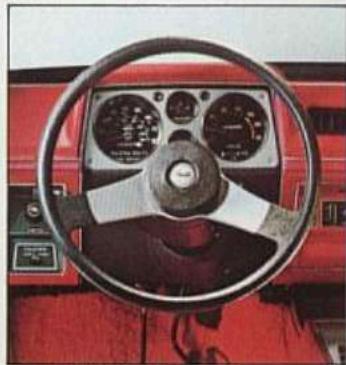
BUMPER RUB STRIPS. Resilient impact strips front and rear. Included with available Custom Exterior trim.



LUGGAGE CARRIER. Added styling plus added convenience for carrying larger items on rooftop.



SPORT WHEEL COVERS. Center hub and fin design. Included with available Rally Sport equipment.



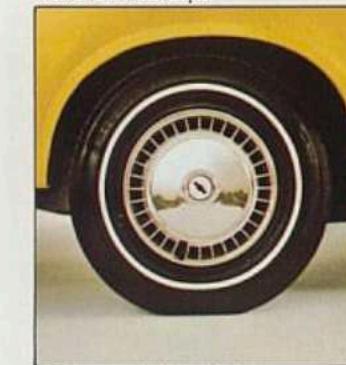
SPORT WHEEL. Cushioned center. Included with available Rally Sport equipment and available Custom Interior.



ELECTRO-CLEAR REAR WINDOW DEFOGGER. Electrically clears the large rear window of mist and steam.



FOUR-SEASON AIR CONDITIONING. Year-round comfort for your Chevette and its passengers.



WHITE STRIPES. For standard bias ply tires or available GM-Specification steel-belted radial tires.



TURBO HYDRA-MATIC TRANSMISSION. Three speed ranges. May be shifted manually.



BUMPER RUB STRIPS AND GUARDS. Front and rear. Protect from minor dings. Add styling appeal.



INTERMITTENT WINDSHIELD WIPER SYSTEM. Wipe cycle can be adjusted from 1/2 to 20 seconds.



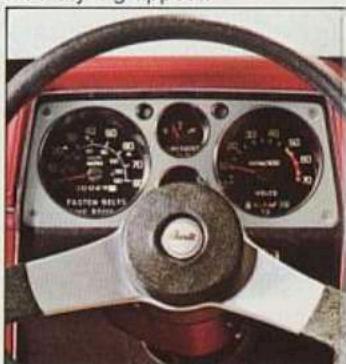
BODY SIDE MOLDINGS. Help protect doors and body from nicks and dings. Include black vinyl insert.



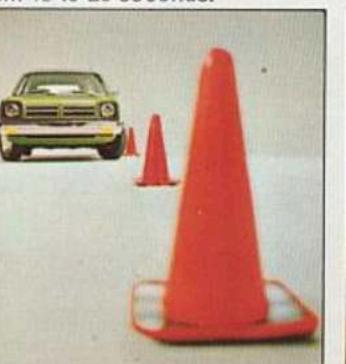
SPORT MIRRORS. For left and right doors. Available with remote-control for left- and right-door mirror, or for left-door mirror only.



CARPETED CARGO AREA. Color-keyed carpeting on load floor and back of rear seat. Included with available Custom Interior.



SPECIAL INSTRUMENTATION. For the well-informed driver. Has tachometer and voltmeter. Included with available Rally Sport equipment.



REAR STABILIZER. For added performance and maneuvering characteristics many drivers prefer. With available Rally Sport equipment.



SWING-OUT WINDOWS. Add to the comfort of rear seat passengers. Rear side windows swing open for added air circulation.



Chevette Sandpiper with available wheel trim rings and white stripe tires.

1977 Chevette. It'll drive you happy.

The available options described here and on pages 14-15 can help make your new Chevette even more enjoyable and personal.

For comfort and convenience.

- Custom Interior.* All-vinyl or available cloth-and-vinyl upholstery, deluxe door trim, brushed aluminum accents, sport steering wheel, day-night rearview mirror, carpeted cargo area and added acoustical insulation.
- Console.* With storage tray. Included with available Rally Sport and with available Sport Shifter.
- Power brakes.
- Electric clock.
- Soft-Ray tinted glass. Helps reduce sun glare and inside temperature. Especially desirable with air conditioning.
- Auxiliary lighting. Includes courtesy, cargo area, glove compartment* and underhood lights, headlight warning buzzer and right-door light switch.

- Glove compartment lock.* Included with available Custom Interior.
- Cigarette lighter. Included with available Custom Interior.
- Quiet Sound Group.* Special interior insulation.
- Day-night inside rearview mirror. Included with available Custom Interior.
- Rear seat speaker for available AM or AM/FM radio.

For appearance.

- Custom Exterior trim.* Deluxe grille with bright accents, wheel opening moldings, deluxe body sill moldings, black body sills, bumper rub strips, bright bumper trim moldings and body-color door handle inserts.
- Deluxe seat and shoulder belts.* Color-keyed to interior trim.
- Floor mats. Color-keyed to interior trim.
- Side window moldings.*
- Door edge guards.

- Wheel trim rings. Not available with Rally Sport equipment.
- Sport wheel covers. **Mechanical.**
- 1.6-litre engine.
- Sport Shifter with console. Included with available Rally Sport equipment. Available with standard 4-Speed manual transmission only.
- Performance axle ratio (4.11).
- Heavy-duty radiator.
- Right front-door light switch. Included with available auxiliary lighting or Custom Interior.

*Not available on Scooter.

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