



76 Ford Pinto

The tough, small economy car that's fun to drive



Our new 1976 Pinto.

Our fun-to-drive Pinto is designed for the times . . . to give you economy with basic value. Which traditionally has made Pinto a best seller. We offer three models: 2-Door Sedan, 3-Door Runabout and Wagon. Each has the same number of Ford Lifeguard Design Safety Features built into our cars.

Well-built. Pinto is built durably. With galvanized sections and a 6-step paint process to help resist rust. Good body fits. And well-tailored interiors. You'll also save on service. With less scheduled maintenance. And no need for points or condenser with solid state ignition.

Better mileage. For 1976, Ford has engineered its cars for better fuel economy than 1975 models. See your Ford Dealer for details on 1976 EPA mileage ratings.

Ford means value. Popularity and competitive pricing keep trade-in value high. You also get impressive standard features. See the list on the back cover.

Pinto 2-Door Sedan.

A rugged, standout economy car.

Our 2-Door, shown below, is the lowest-priced Pinto, yet offers all basic value features. You get smooth, quiet power from a 2.3 liter 2V overhead cam 4-cylinder engine, coupled with a 4-speed manual transmission and floor shift, standard. 2.8 liter 2V V-6 engine, with SelectShift transmission, is optional.

You also enjoy easy handling with rack and pinion steering. Independent suspension and wide stance that let you hug the curviest roads. And comfortable bucket seats.

Standard Pinto Interior (right) has ample room for four in comfort. Choose vinyl trim with diamond-patterned cloth inserts, or weave-texture all-vinyl trim. Both come in Black, Blue, Green or Tan. Blue all-vinyl shown is Code AB. AM Radio shown is optional.

Handsome Pinto 2-Door Sedan (below) in Silver Metallic (Code 1G). Options: Rear window defroster, wheel covers, WSW tires.



Pinto 2-Door Sedan



Coverage inset shows low-back bucket seats in Tan, Alamy plaid cloth and vinyl trim (Code DU), 3-Door Squire Runabout in Tan (Code 6U). Options shown: Luxury Decor Group, SelectShift, Squire Option, Deluxe Bumper Group, remote control mirrors, forged aluminum wheels, WSW tires.

Notes: See Notable Standard Features on back cover. Other items shown are optional. Color code reference on the back cover.

Pinto Wagon.

America's best-selling Wagon.

In just four years, Pinto Wagon has earned distinction as America's best-selling station wagon, big or small. What many people like is the combination of wagon utility with operating economy at a really modest price. There's also comfort for four with carrying capacity surprising for a sub-compact wagon. So it adds up to stand-out value in a handsome package.

Fold the rear seat down—presto! A carpeted load floor nearly six feet long. And 57.2 cubic feet to tote what you will. The easy-opening, wide liftgate makes loading simple.

The standard 2.3 liter 2V overhead cam engine and 4-speed manual transmission with floor shift stretch gallons into miles. For more power, there's a 2.8 liter 2V V-6 with smooth SelectShift. Both engines have solid state ignition and have been engineered for better overall gas mileage than in 1975. See your Ford Dealer for details and EPA ratings.

Pinto Wagon with Squire Option, shown below, in Bright Red (Code 2R), has look-alike styling with woodgrain vinyl panel appliques on bodysides and liftgate • wheel covers • cargo lamp and Squire ornamentation • bright window frames, center pillar and drip moldings.

Pinto Wagon (A, below), in Bright Blue Metallic (Code 3E), offers outstanding quality and durability features. Corrosion fighters like precoated steels (galvanized

and zincrometal) • electrocoat process (electrically charged body is completely dipped in primer) • zinc-rich primer on selected areas • double-wrapped aluminum muffler • 6-step paint process for a tough, beautiful finish • long intervals between scheduled maintenance stops. Rack and pinion steering make parking a pleasure. Front disc brakes help you stop easily and are self-adjusting. Options shown: Luxury Decor Group, protective vinyl insert bodyside moldings.

Luxury Decor Group interior (B, below) features smart new low-back bucket seats tailored in durable, wipe-clean Bright Red Ruffino vinyl trim (Code HD). Alpine plaid cloth is alternate trim choice offered with this option. Deluxe door trim, custom steering wheel and woodtone appliques are among many fine appointments included. (Luxury Decor Group option is standard with Squire Option.) Other options: AM/FM Stereo Radio, dual color-keyed remote control mirrors.



Pinto Wagon with Squire Option



Pinto 3-Door Runabout.

With new dress-ups to accent driving fun.

Runabout, with room-for-four comfort, is long on looks, miles-per-gallon and low-cost motoring. It works and plays and packs with ease. Raise the rear lift-gate, fold the rear seat down and you have 29 cu. ft. to carry things on a carpeted load floor five feet long.

And Runabout, like all Pintos, is easy to handle. It is almost 20 inches wider than it is high, and the low center of gravity provides excellent balance on turns and in crosswinds. Precision rack and pinion steering, like the type on expensive sports cars, is standard. It gives you a tight turning diameter, easy parking and smooth, sure cornering.

The dependable Pinto 2.3 liter 2V overhead cam engine is economical and efficient. With five main bearings for smoothness and durability. Strong light-

weight cast-iron block and cylinder head construction contributes especially to efficiency. Less weight to move means less waste energy.

Durability features also include heavy-duty items like starter motor, ball joints, universal joints and rear wheel bearings. Brake lines with rust-resistant coating. A solidly welded body completely dipped for electrocoating with primer, then given five more paint steps to resist corrosion.

Runabout, obviously, is a lot of little car... in durability, economy and value. It reflects years of Ford experience in the design and manufacture of small cars. And it represents further proof that Ford means value.

Practicality isn't all. Dress-up options are available to personalize your Runabout and enhance your driving pleasure.

Pinto 3-Door Runabout with Luxury Decor Group Option (shown below). Bright Red (Code 2R) in beautiful partnership with optional White half-vinyl roof. Luxury

Decor Option adds contemporary flair inside and out, like a luxurious new interior featuring low-back bucket seats trimly tailored in Alpine plaid cloth or Ruffino vinyl, deluxe door trim, woodtone appliques throughout, and more. (See page 3.) Tasteful exterior touches include: wheel lip, rocker panel and wide color-keyed vinyl insert bodyside moldings • bright window frames • center pillar cap • lower back panel periphery molding • wheel covers. Other options shown: Protection Group, electric rear window defroster, styled steel wheels with trim rings, WSW radials.

New Squire Runabout (top illustration) sports an innovative look with distinctive Squire styling. Squire Option includes: woodgrain vinyl panel appliques • bright moldings • bright window frames • wheel covers. Interior features include: low-back seats • deluxe seat trim with Alpine plaid cloth or Ruffino vinyl • deluxe door trim • woodtone appliques throughout. See interiors shown on front cover and page 3. Other options shown: Protection Group, forged aluminum wheels, WSW steel-belted radials, dual color-keyed remote control mirrors.



Pinto 3-Door Runabout with Luxury Decor Option Group



Exciting new Pinto Stallion Runabout.

Live the sporting life!

A winning combination. That's what you get when you add upbeat styling of the Stallion Group Option to the versatile, practical Runabout.

You can see most of the exciting Stallion Group features illustrated below: Black grille and hood • Black wiper arms, window moldings • Black cowl top, door frames, drip rails, rocker panel area • Black right- and left-hand remote control mirrors • styled steel wheels (optional forged aluminum shown) • raised white letter wide-oval bias-ply tires • handling suspension.

Under the racy look, you get Pinto's knack for stretching gas dollars, service-saving features that keep operating cost low, and sporty handling. Pinto comes with rack and pinion steering, wide stance, ball joint front suspension, front disc brakes, 2.3 2V liter engine, 4-speed manual transmission with floor shift,

and more—all standard. If you want more power, order the 2.8 liter 2V V-6 which comes with optional SelectShift. Stallion Runabout. For exciting new sport flavoring.

New Pinto 3-Door Stallion Runabout (below) sports the exciting new Silver/Black paint treatment (Code 1G). Looks rarin' to go just standing still. Other two-tone combinations with Black are: Bright Red, Bright Yellow, Polar White or Silver Blue Glow. Other options: Protection Group, Sunroof.

Standard Interior (right) with high-back bucket seats handsomely tailored in Black cloth and vinyl trim (Code GA). A blend of sportiness and luxury. Low-back bucket seats trimmed in Alpine plaid cloth or vinyl also available.

Decal, shown below, identifies exciting style treatment that comes with Stallion Group Option.



Pinto 3-Door Stallion Runabout



Pinto Options

add to your driving pleasure.

Appearance and Protection

- ☐ **Luxury Decor Option:** Includes bright window frames • center pillar cap • wheel lip, rocker panel and lower back panel periphery moldings • wide color-keyed vinyl insert bodyside moldings (Wagon has narrow Black vinyl insert bodyside moldings) • wheel covers. Interior items include: low-back seats • deluxe seat trim: Ruffino vinyl or vinyl with Alpine plaid cloth inserts • deluxe door trim panels • custom steering wheel • instrument panel woodtone applique • woodtone shift knob applique or automatic transmission shift bezel • bright parking brake lever • woodtone parking brake handle applique • bright parking brake lever • cigar lighter • passenger door courtesy light switch • color-keyed parking brake boot • rear seat ash tray • color-keyed deluxe belts. Adds elegant new styling touches. See page 4.
- ☐ **Leather-wrapped steering wheel.** Sporty stitch detailing with a nice feel.
- ☐ **Metallic Glow paints—Green, Tan or Silver Blue.**
- ☐ **Pinto Stallion Group (Runabout).** Make your Pinto sportiest of the pack with Black grille—wiper arms—windshield moldings • Black cowl top, door frames, drip rail, rocker panel area • Black third door and lower back panel • Stallion decals • dual remote control mirrors • styled steel wheels • bias-ply RWL tires • handling suspension. Featured on page 5.
- ☐ **Rocker panel moldings.** Shown on page 4.
- ☐ **Squire Option:** Includes Luxury Decor Group Interior plus woodgrain bodyside/liftgate vinyl appliques (Wagon) or woodgrain vinyl appliques and bright molding (Runabout) • cargo lamp, Squire script (Wagon) • bright window frames, B-pillar cap • wheel covers. Shown on pages 3, 4 and front cover.
- ☐ **Half-vinyl roof (2-Door, Runabout),** includes over-the-roof tape stripe. See page 4.
- ☐ **Full wheel covers.** (See page 2).
- ☐ **Forged Aluminum Wheels.** Added flair. See pages 1, 5.
- ☐ **Styled steel wheels with trim rings.** Sporty. Shown on page 4.
- ☐ **BSW steel-belted radial ply tires.**
- ☐ **WSW steel-belted radial ply tires.**
- ☐ **Wide-oval steel-belted radial ply raised white letter tires.** Racy look. Page 5.
- ☐ **Protection Group.** Stylized protection with door edge guards • Wide color-keyed vinyl insert bodyside moldings (narrow vinyl on Wagon) • front floor mats • license plate frames • glove box lock • bumper guards with rubber inserts, full-width horizontal rub strips. See page 4.

Audio

- ☐ **Aeronautronic Ford radios.** All factory-installed Ford radios have 100% solid state chassis, variable tone control and full-fidelity sound. Engineered specifically for your 1976 Pinto. Ask your dealer for more information on Ford radio features.
- ☐ **AM with pushbutton tuning.**
- ☐ **AM with Stereo Tape Player.** Accommodates 8-track cartridge.

Notes:

COLOR AND TRIM CODES. Car colors and trims are coded. Example: Tan (Code 6U). Your Ford Dealer can show you color samples or paint and trim materials.

FUEL WARNING. Your car engine is designed to run on UNLEADED FUEL ONLY. Leaded fuel can damage the catalytic converter and affect other emission control components.

OPTION AVAILABILITY. Some features presented are optional at extra cost. Some options are required in combination with other options. Availability of some models and features described may be subject to a slight delay. Ask your Ford Dealer for the latest information on options, prices and availability.

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REPLACEMENT PARTS. Be sure to specify genuine Ford-approved Motorcraft Parts and Autolite Spark Plugs whenever they need replacement.



- ☐ **AM/FM Monaural.** Low-cost sound system.
- ☐ **AM/FM Stereo.** Four speakers with front/rear fader and right/left balance controls.

Comfort and Convenience

- ☐ **SelectAir Conditioner.** Built-in. Cools, warms, dehumidifies year-around for comfort.
- ☐ **Convenience/Light Group:** Includes interval windshield wipers, cigar lighter, day/night mirror, visor vanity mirror, lights under hood, in glove box, ash tray, cargo area (Wagon), headlights "on" warning buzzer, passenger side door courtesy light switch and map light.
- ☐ **Electric rear window defroster.** Better visibility.
- ☐ **Luggage rack (Wagon).** Handy carrier.
- ☐ **Deluxe luggage rack—includes** rear window air deflector to help keep glass clean. Shown on page 3.
- ☐ **Color-keyed dual outside mirrors.** Page 5.
- ☐ **Manually operated Sunroof (except Wagon).** A window to the sky. See page 5.
- ☐ **Tinted glass.**

Performance and Economy

- ☐ **2.8 liter 2V V-6 engine (requires SelectShift, power brakes).**
- ☐ **Axle ratios (see powertrain chart, above).**
- ☐ **SelectShift Cruise-O-Matic transmission.** Quiet, smooth 3-speed design. Great assist under all driving conditions.
- ☐ **Power front disc brakes.** Easier stopping than conventional disc brakes.
- ☐ **Engine block heater.** Plugs into garage outlet, keeps coolant warm for easy starts on cold mornings.
- ☐ **Power steering.** Makes easy steering even easier.

(A) Pinto 3-Door Runabout with optional Luxury Decor Group. Bright Yellow (Code 6E), smartly topped with optional Black half-vinyl roof. Styled steel wheels shown also optional.

(B) Pinto instrument panel is all business. With easy-to-read gauges, and controls that are fingertip handy.

1976 Powertrain Lineup

Model	Engine	Trans- mission	Axle Ratio Std. Opt.	All States
Sedan,	2.3L	4-Sp. Man.	3.18	3.40
Runabout		3-Sp. A/T	3.18	3.40
& Wagon	2.8L	3-Sp. A/T	3.00	3.40
Sedan*	2.3L	4-Sp. Man.	3.00	N.A.
	2.3L	3-Sp. A/T	3.18	N.A.

*Pinto special MPG

Specification Highlights

Engine: 4-cylinder, 2.3 liter 2V, in-line OHC
Bore and Stroke: 3.781 x 3.126
Displacement (cu. in.) 140

Engine: 6-cylinder, 2.8 liter 2V V-6 OHV
Bore and Stroke: 3.66 x 2.70
Displacement (cu. in.) 170.8

Suspension/Springs: Tilted upper control arm anti-dive front suspension with asymmetrical-type rear spring mounting. Direct-acting rebound front and integral jounce bumper shock absorbers. **Front:** Independent short/long arm with ball joints and 8.50 x 3.50 coil springs. **Rear:** Hotchkiss Drive with semi-elliptical leaf springs.

Notable Standard Features

FUNCTIONAL—2.3 liter 2V 4-cylinder engine with solid state ignition • Fully synchronized, 4-speed manual transmission with floor-mounted shift • Rack and pinion steering • Front disc brakes • BSW bias-ply tires • Hand-operated parking brake • DirectAir ventilation • Inside hood release • Ford Lifeguard Design Safety Features.

APPEARANCE & COMFORT—All-vinyl or cloth and vinyl high-back front bucket seats • Color-keyed carpeting • Mini-console • Bright drip, belt and backlite windshield moldings, bright headlight bezels, bright front lip hood molding.

3-Door Runabout—All above plus: Rear liftgate • Fold-down rear seat.

Station Wagon—All above with these differences and additions: Full upswinging liftgate with fixed backlite and liftgate open warning light • Pivoting quarter window • Bright window and belt moldings.

Measurements

	2-Door Runabout	Wagon
Wheelbase.....	94.5"	94.8"
Length.....	169.0"	178.8"
Height.....	50.6"	52.0"
Width.....	69.4"	69.7"

Usable Luggage

Capacity or Cargo

Volume Index*

(cu. ft.) 2-Door 6.3 57.2

Runabout 29.0

Curb Wt. (lb. w/2.3 liter) 2562 2756

(2-Dr.) 2598 Wagon

(Runabout)

Fuel Capacity (gal.) 12.0 14.0

Passenger Capacity 4 4

*Industry-wide method of computing total volume above load floor with deck lid or liftgate closed.

Choice of 3 Models



Pinto 2-Door Sedan, Bright Yellow (Code 6E).



Pinto 3-Door Runabout, Red (Code 2R).



Pinto Wagon with Squire Option, Bright Blue Metallic (Code 3E).

The closer you look, the better we look.

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