

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, 1976.





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 highway **31 mpg** city

EPA estimates for the 1977 Chevette: 43 mpg highway, 31 mpg city, with the available 1.6-litre 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-litre engine has up to 9.6% more horsepower this year. The available 1.6-litre 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 Transmission Standard	Axle Ratio 3.70† Standard 4.11† Avail. (3,4)	Axle Ratio 3.70† Standard 4.11† Avail. (3,5)
Turbo Hydraulic Transmission 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. †Axle ratio. (1) Not available in California or with High Altitude Emission Equipment. (2) Not available with 1.4-litre 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.

New brake linings.

Standard front disc brakes are fade-resistant, hefty-sized and smooth underfoot. Rear brakes are drum-type.

A new kind of front lining is used this year. Rear linings are improved also.

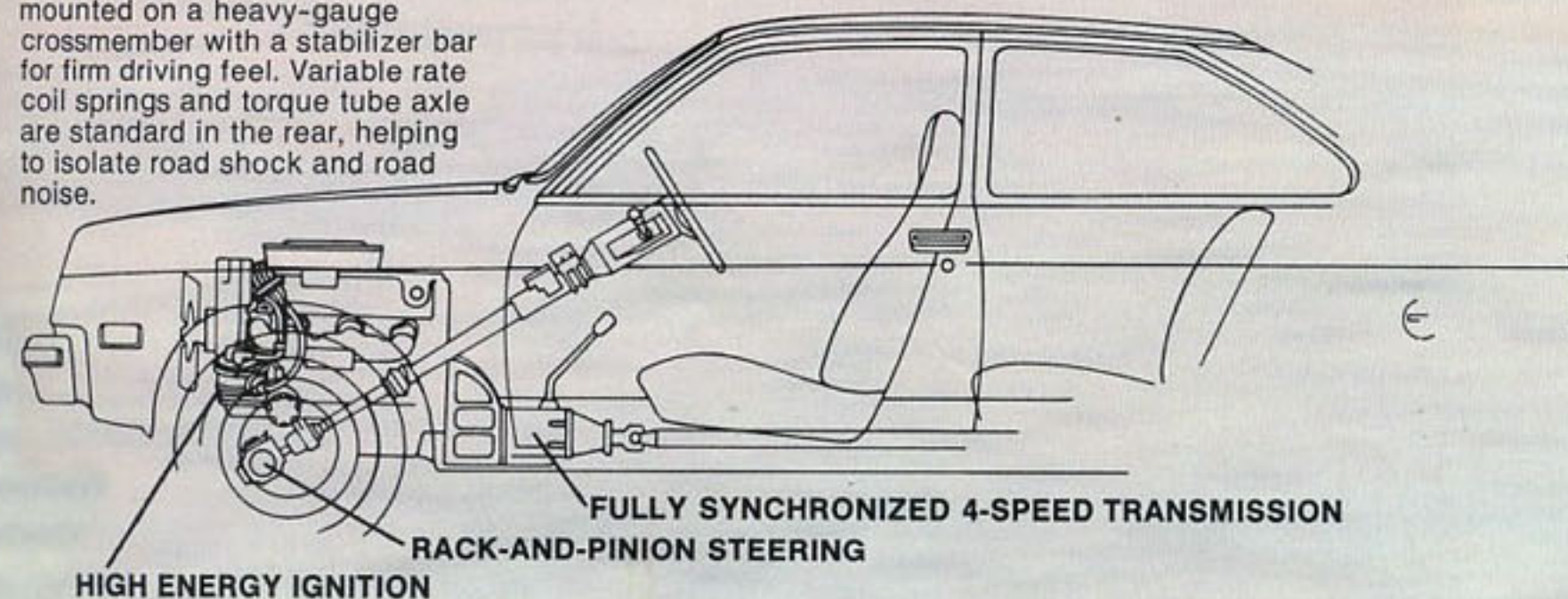
Chevette disc brake wear sensors automatically sound off to let you know when replacement time is near.

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 it.

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.

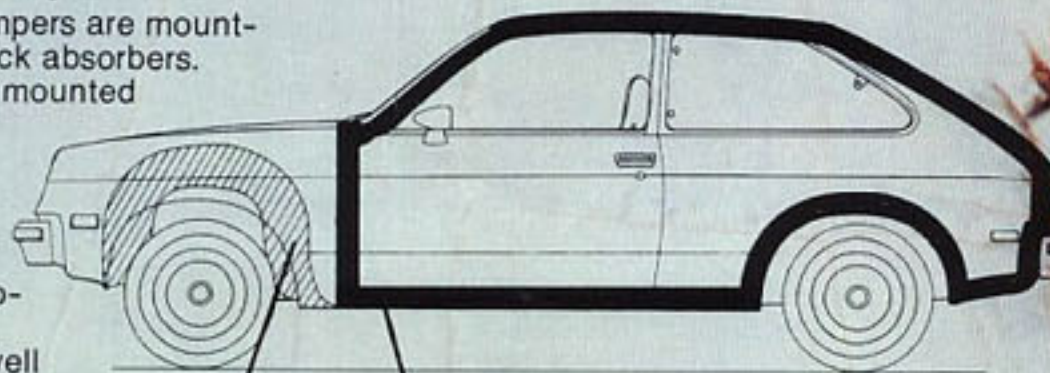
But it's also well bumpered, in case another car gets unfriendly.

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.



UNITIZED BODY CONSTRUCTION
INNER FENDER LINERS

*Zincrometal is a registered trademark of the National Phosphor Corporation.



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-litre 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.



Scooter



Standard cloth



Standard vinyl



Custom vinyl

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.