

The VW Microbus.



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See it.

It's as simple as a box on wheels. But a box equipped for people. Surprisingly small. Outside. But inside there's room for 8, plus luggage. With a length just a little bigger than the VW 1600, it

has an inside space of 177 cu. ft. And because it's made to transport people, a lot of thought was put into making it comfortable and safe. More than is normally expected of a box.

Drive it.

Sit behind the wheel. And you'll immediately notice that this Microbus is different from any you've ever driven before. Quieter. Even more comfortable for the driver, the passengers and

the owner. And with a new 74 bhp (SAE) engine available as an option, it's even faster and more powerful.

Choose it.

The VW Microbus has room for your driver and seven passengers. A comfortable touring car with comfortable seats with low profile spring-core squabs.

Gives the impression of a spacious, luxurious saloon.

Not just a truck for people.

Own it.

A simple matter. Both before and after purchase.

You can buy the VW Microbus from your VW dealer. And have it serviced, diagnosed and repaired there too.

When it gets too old for you, return it to your dealer and trade it in for a new one.

At an amazingly good price too.

Love it.

Love it? Why, it's nothing but a small bus! But you're a businessman. And you think like one. Money is something you do appreciate. That's what the Microbus will help you save when you buy it, and help you earn when you run it. And what about satisfied customers? Custo-

mers who are treated like people, and not like so much freight. Customers who'll be coming back for more. Maybe you find yourself loving the VW Microbus after all.

Nothing but a small bus, you said?



See the VW Microbus - it's compact and manageable.

There are a few other 8-seaters on the market nowadays. Not so easy to park in a normal garage though. Unlike the VW Microbus.

The Microbus actually fits into an unusually small garage. Because it's only 14.6 ft. long (approximately the length of the VW 1600). And we've crammed a lot of things into these 174 inches.

The traction of the front wheels in mud and snow has been improved by increasing clear-

ance in the wheel housing. This will also prevent slush from being splashed against the doors in front in bad weather.

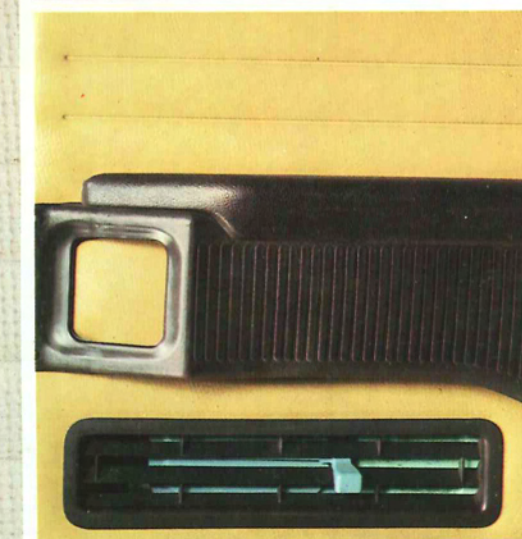
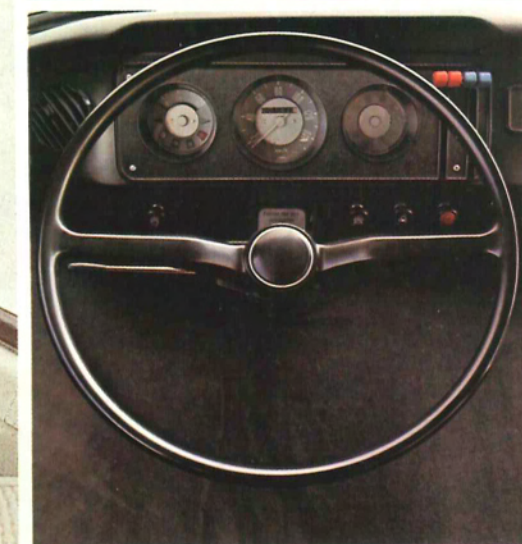
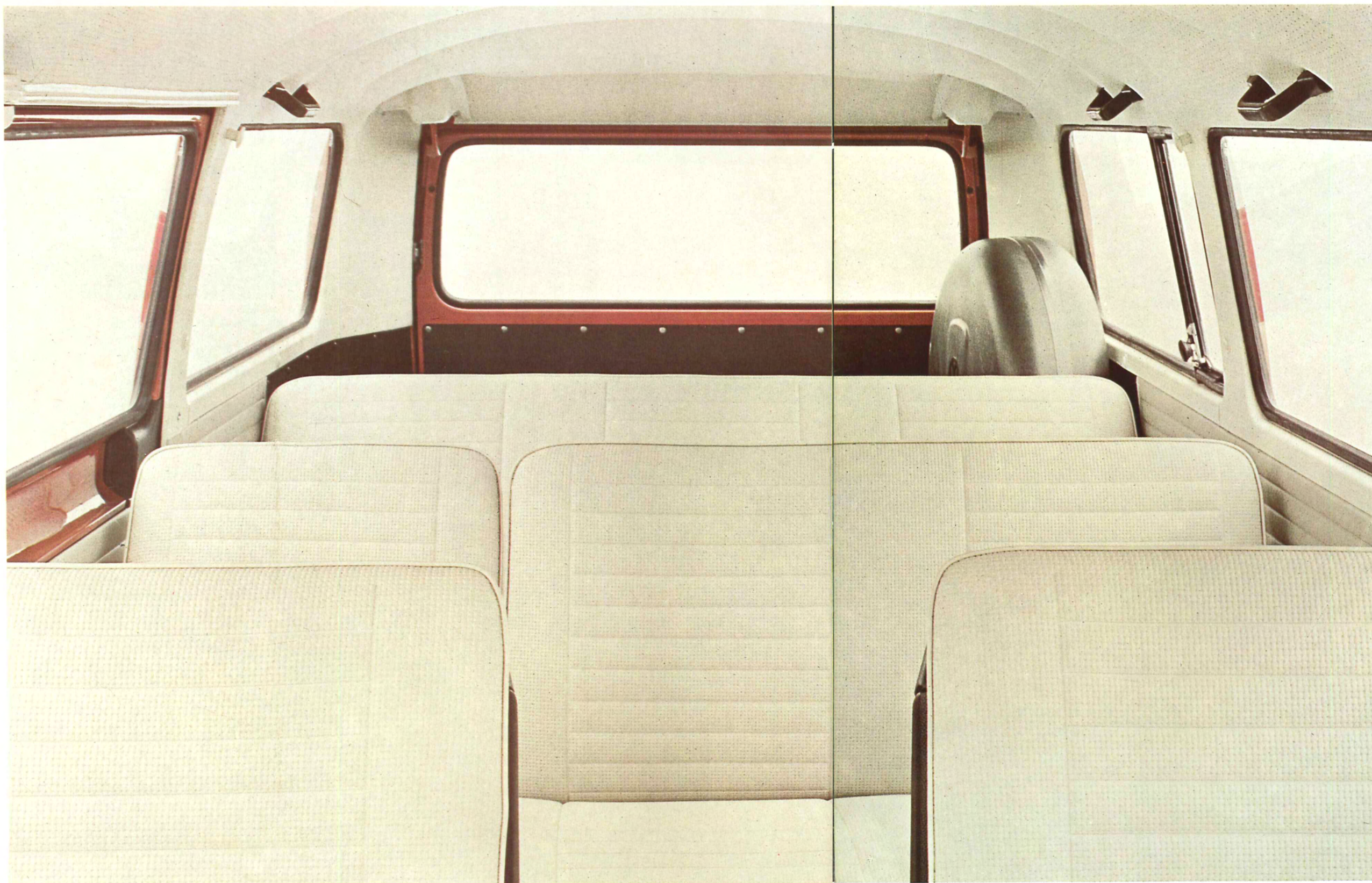
Comfort is improved by the fact that we've improved the ventilation. Now your passengers can enjoy fresh air. Without draughts. And without having to open a single window.

The vast sliding door (41.7 ins high by 48.2 ins wide) is a great convenience, too.

For safety's sake we've strengthened the lock on the rear door. So it won't fly open even in the worst of accidents.

And the back lights are even more visibly

arranged. The whole signalling system at the back, consisting of brake lights, rear lights and turn indicators (there's room for back-up lights too if you want them) has been given a more generous format, and everything is much better arranged. For better recognition too.



See the VW Microbus - it's big and inviting.

A lot of saloons would give their right wheel to be as comfortable as the VW Microbus inside.

With wide comfortable seats, shoulder tall for sitting comfort. The passenger compartment has an average width of 59.5 ins. That means plenty of room to spare even with some hefty athletes on board. How many saloons can match that?

We've already mentioned the ventilation.

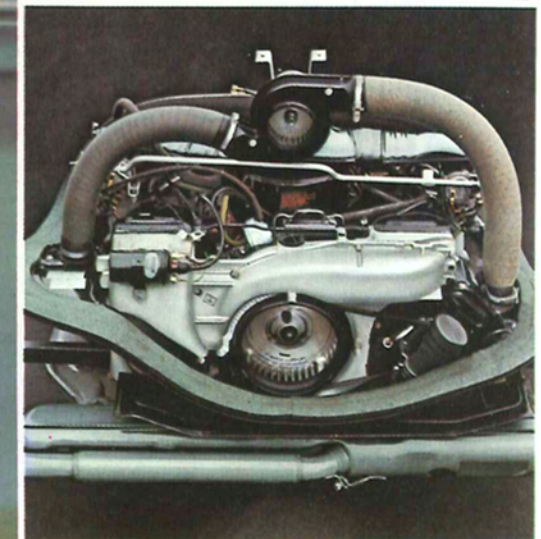
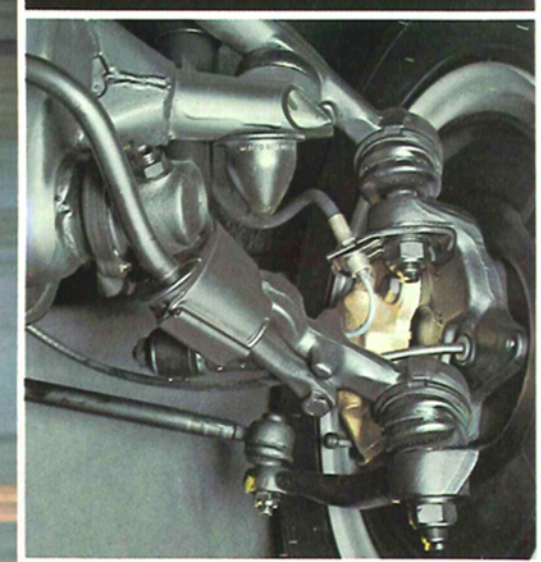
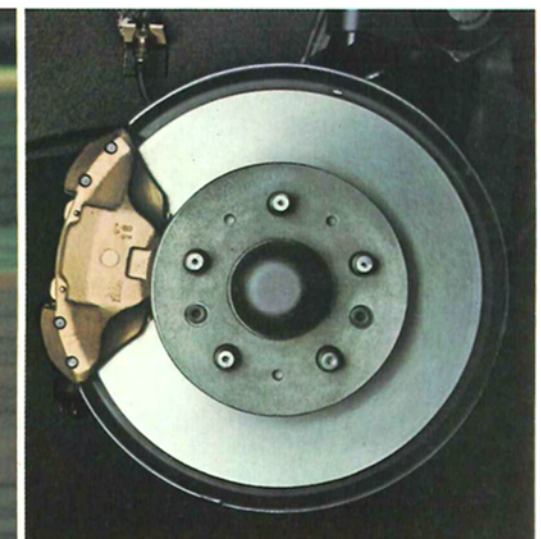
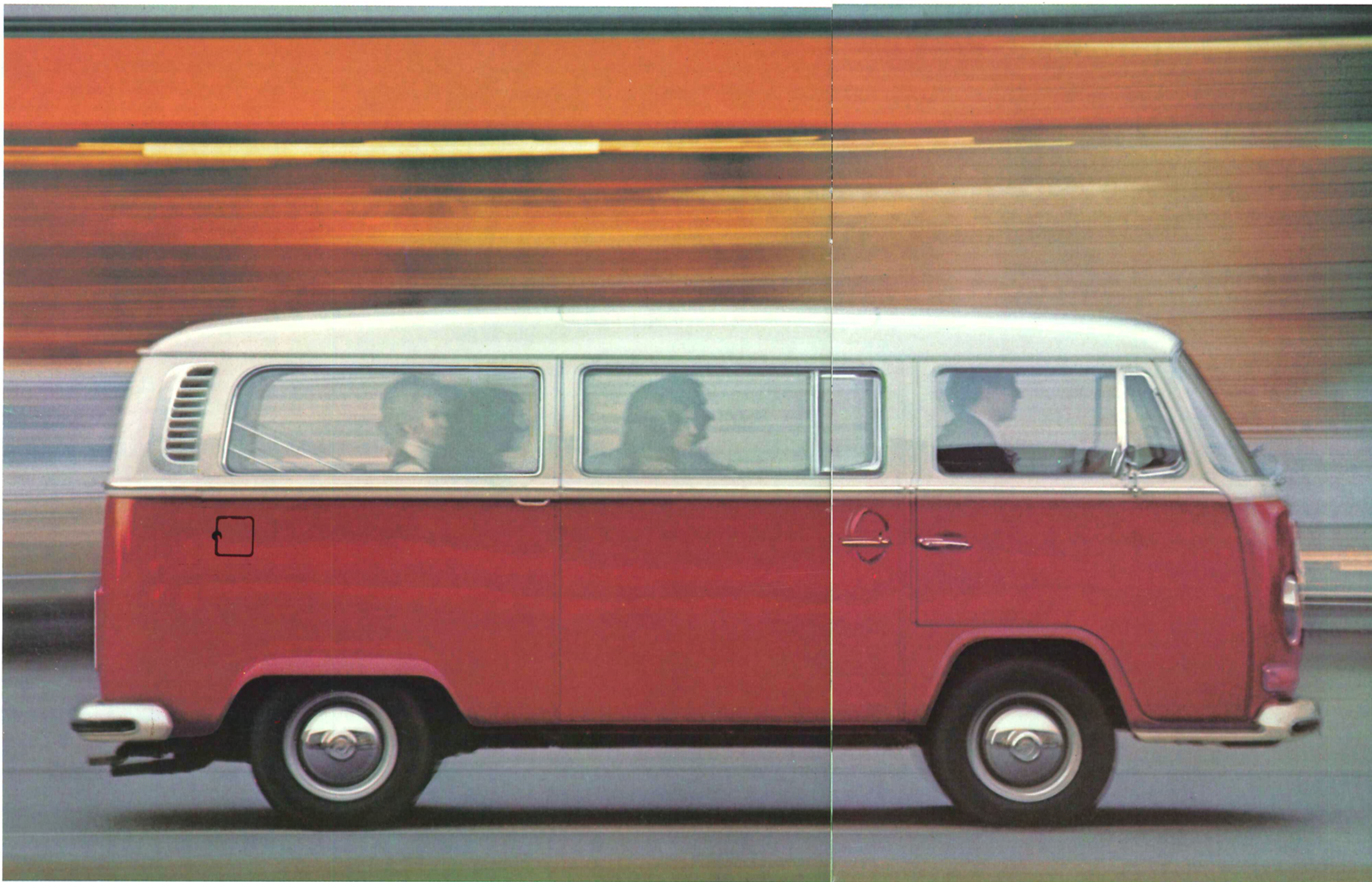
Now, there are also grab handles and assist straps, for all occupants. And ashtrays within arm's reach from every seat.

The windows are large and there are lots of 'em. So passengers enjoy the trip without that jam-packed sardine feeling. Not like in some saloons.

And furthermore the VW Microbus is upholstered with pretty and pretty practical leatherette, including the entire 35.3 cu. ft. of the luggage compartment in the L version. How many passenger cars can match that?

The driver will be as contented as his pas-

sengers in this Microbus. He has an adjustable seat, backrest and all. And numerous safety features are just for him. The collapsible steering-wheel, for instance, and the padded instrument panel. Padded sun visors too. (And that's another thing not every passenger car can boast of.)



Drive the VW Microbus - even faster with its 74 bhp (SAE) engine.

Take a test drive with the new Microbus. Try out the mettle of its new 1700 cc engine.

But before you slide into the driver's seat we'd like you to note some things. Go round to the back. The air cooled engine is still there, weighing down the driving wheels giving the car good roadability.

You'll notice the larger rear lights too. But some improvements that we've made you won't so easily notice. The construction and the floor

assembly have been strengthened. So that better performance would not affect its durability.

Gear shifting is even smoother. Service life expectancy has been prolonged. And the new suspension makes it even quieter.

The diameter of the brake cylinder is bigger. So braking power distribution between front and back wheels is better and that prolongs the life of the disc brake linings up front.

Elaborate things like independent wheel suspension, transverse stabilizer in front, steering damper and semi-trailing arm rear axle guarantee safety and comfort on the worst roads and around the sharpest curves.

We've also reinforced the torsion bar springing at the back. And we've made lots of improvements to prolong the life of this Microbus.

Well, that was it. Now you can get in and drive off.

And note another two improvements in the VW Microbus: It's faster, for one. The new optional 1700 cc engine produces 74 bhp (SAE) and gives the VW Microbus a top speed of 78 mph. Constantly. Day after day.

And then it's quieter. We've gone quite drastically to work to eliminate all the sources of noise. Makes driving much less fatiguing.

And all this with a 1600 cc engine or a 1700 cc engine as an option.



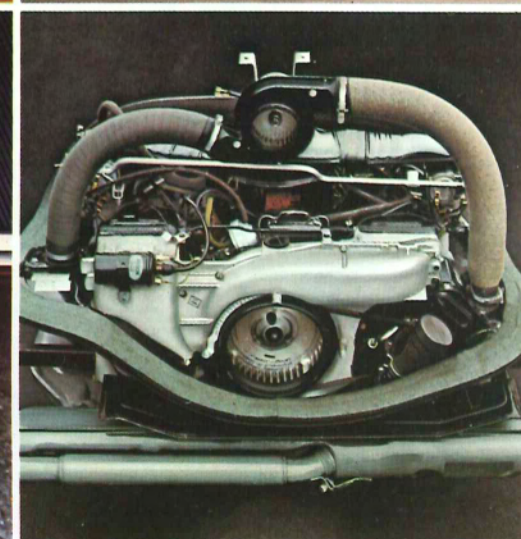
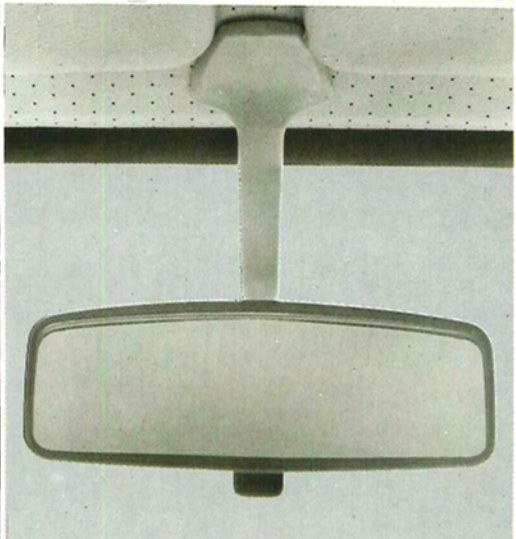
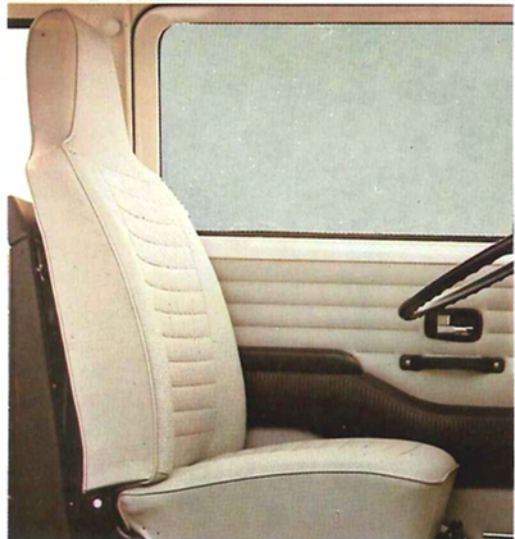
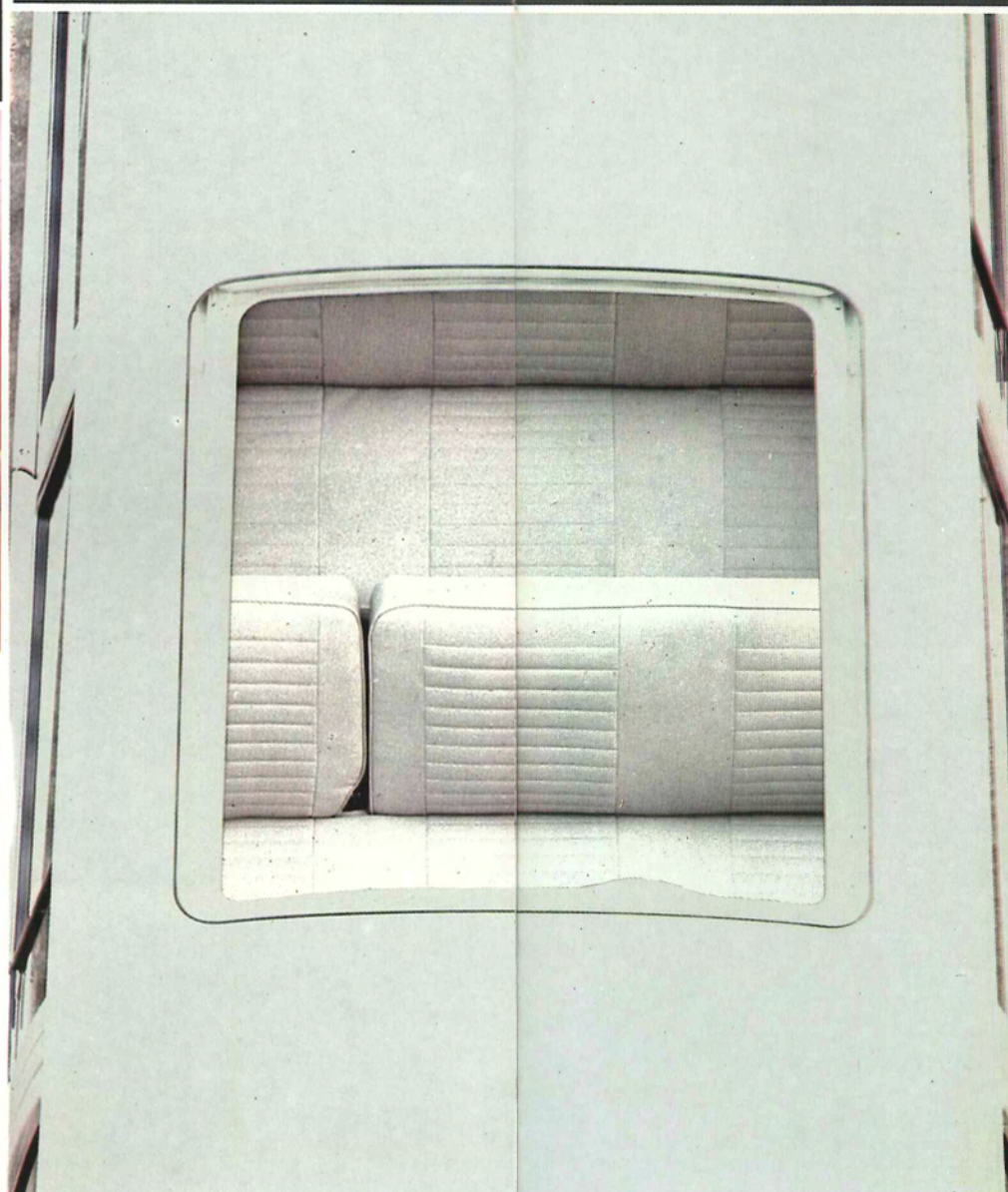
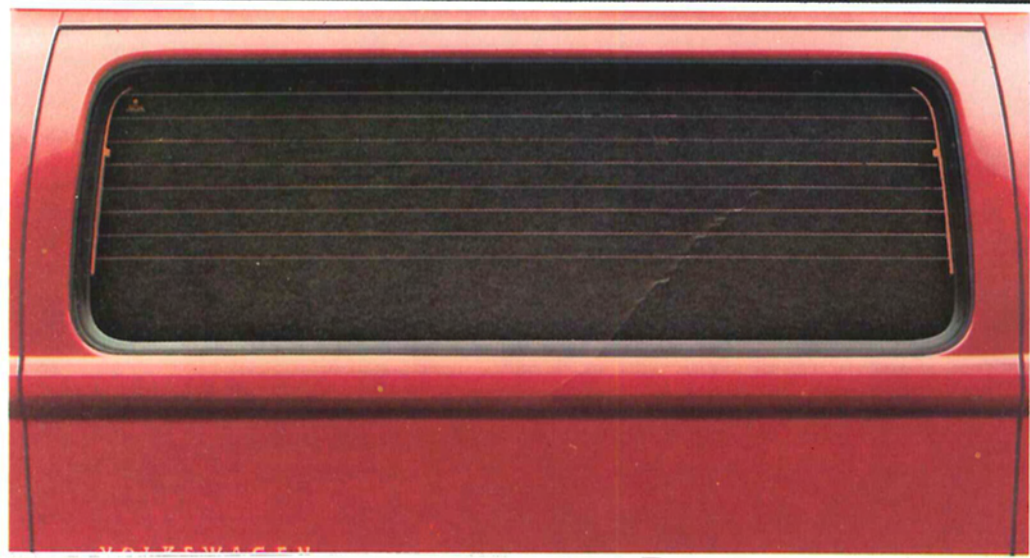
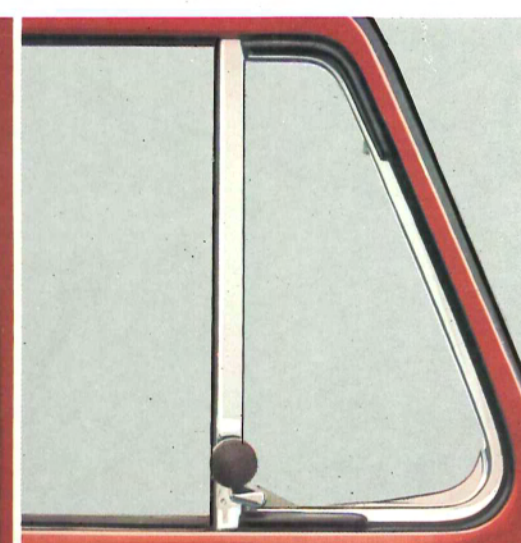
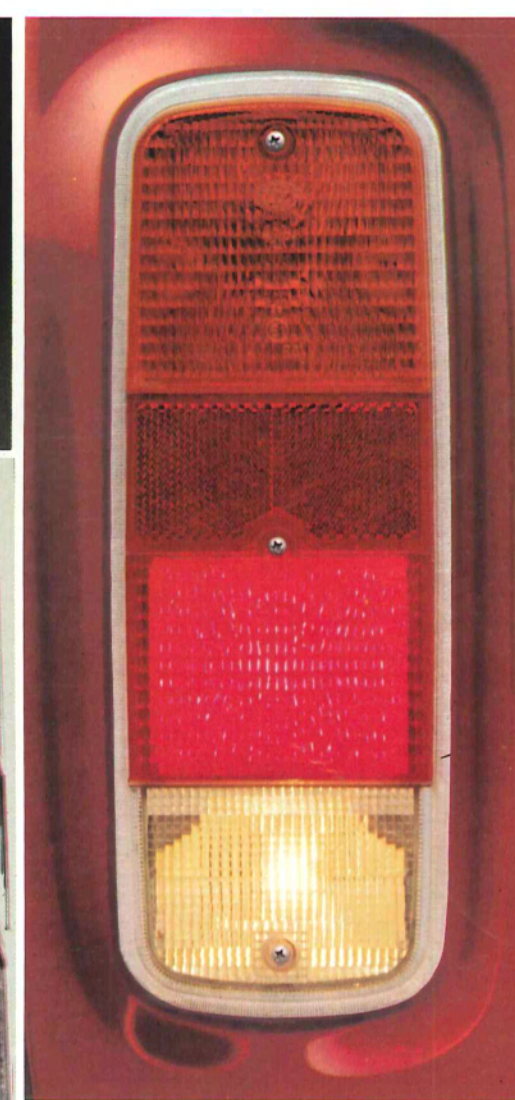
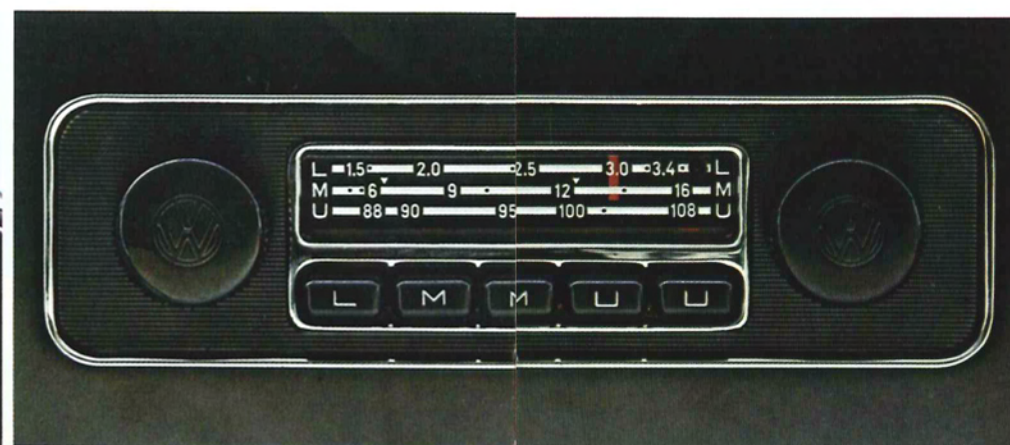
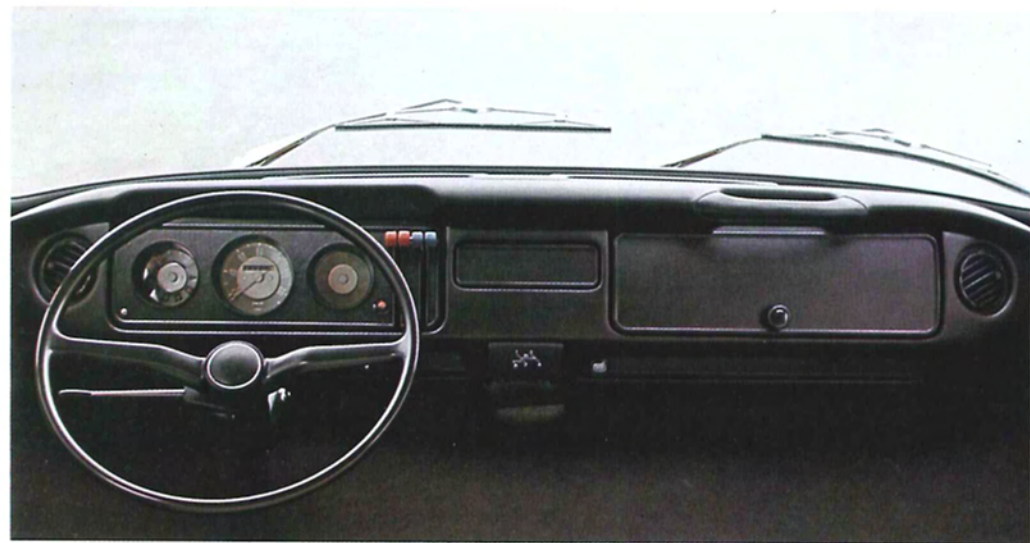
Choose the VW Microbus - for 8.

No matter how many passengers you have to transport — four, five or seven (we don't count the driver) — you have the choice of whether you're going to do it in the standard or luxury version.

Apart from this, it's just the same car. Just as comfortable, just as fast and just as reliable.

The VW Microbus is as versatile as a bus can be.

A great little bus, did you say?



Choose the VW Microbus - with all these extras.

All the extras available for any other Volkswagen are available for the Microbus too.

For instance, if you like, you can select one of the many radio sets available. With electronic station selection, which brings you the nearest station at the touch of a switch. With short, medium, long and VHF. Or one with or without tape recorder socket. Can be very useful on long trips. And pleasant company on short ones.

Or you could get one with a special running board which opens and closes automatically with the sliding door. An extra comfort for your passengers.

A steel sliding roof contributes to the enjoyment (in the luxury version it's standard). While the head restraints contribute to the safety of the driver and front passenger.

Perhaps your passengers will appreciate it if you have vent wings in the passenger com-

partment. And your driver will be grateful for the heated rear window in bad weather.

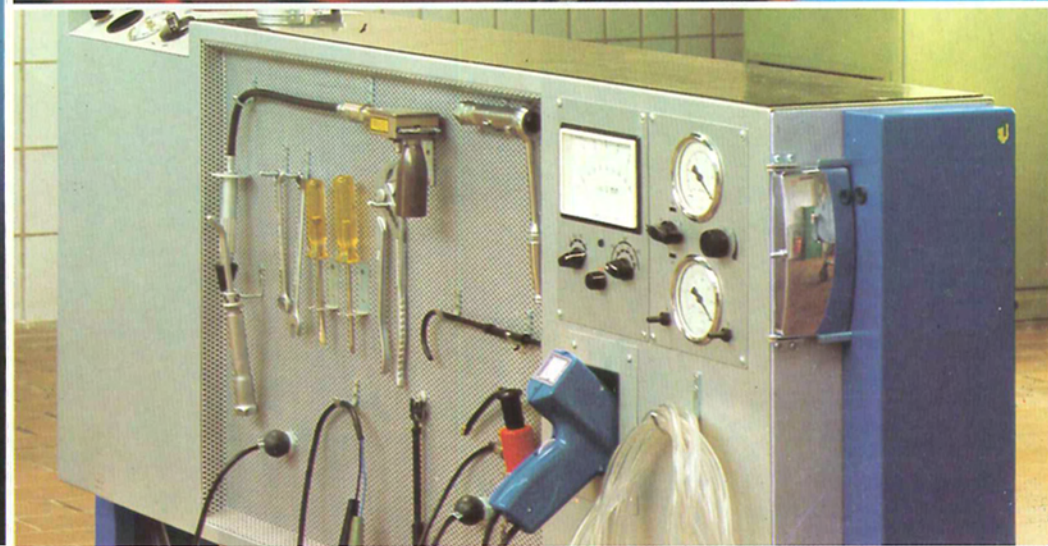
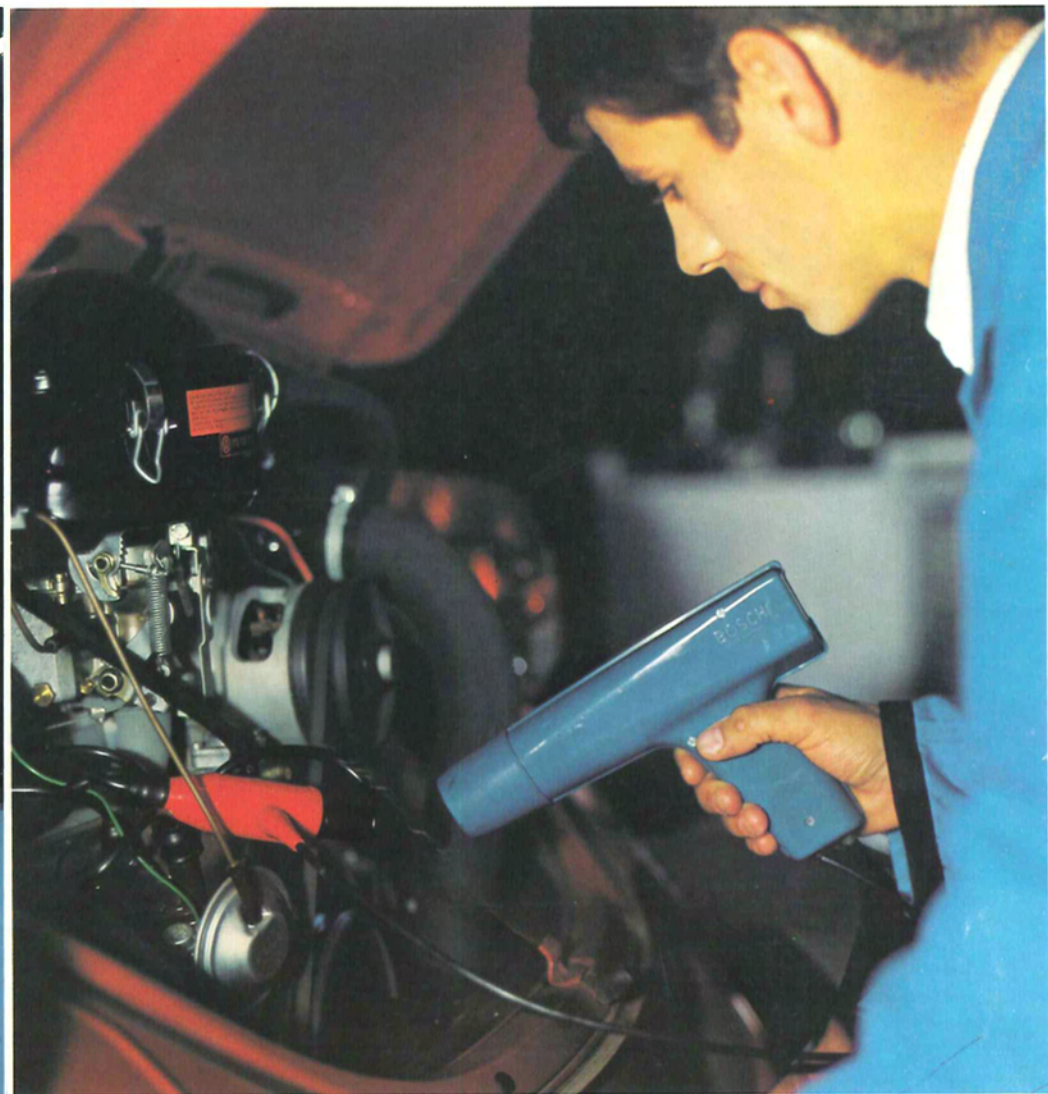
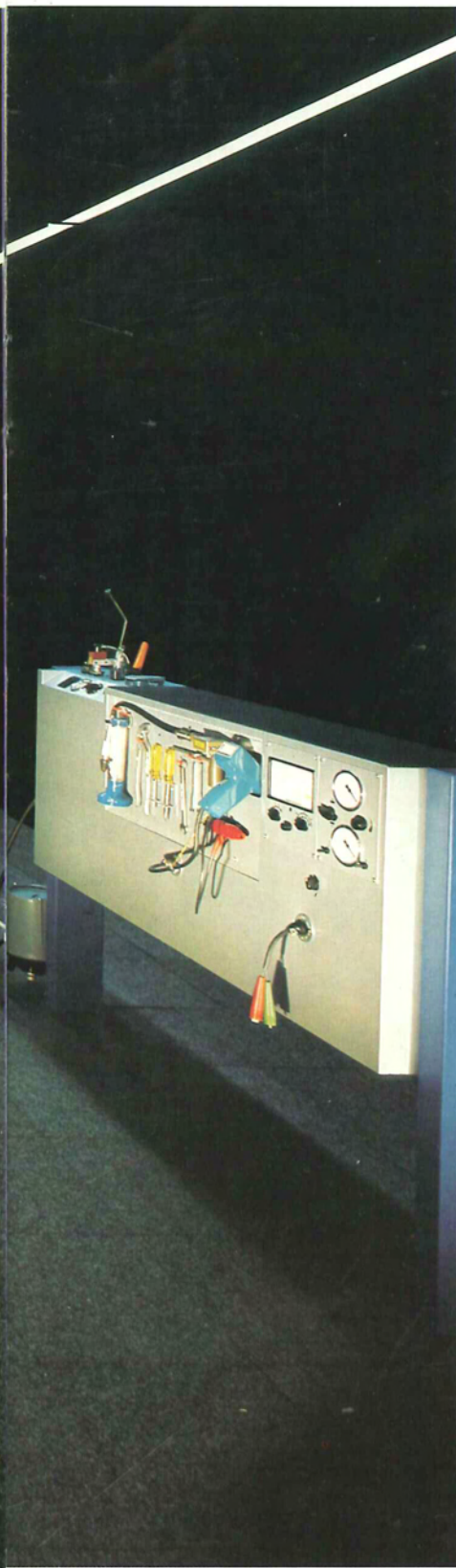
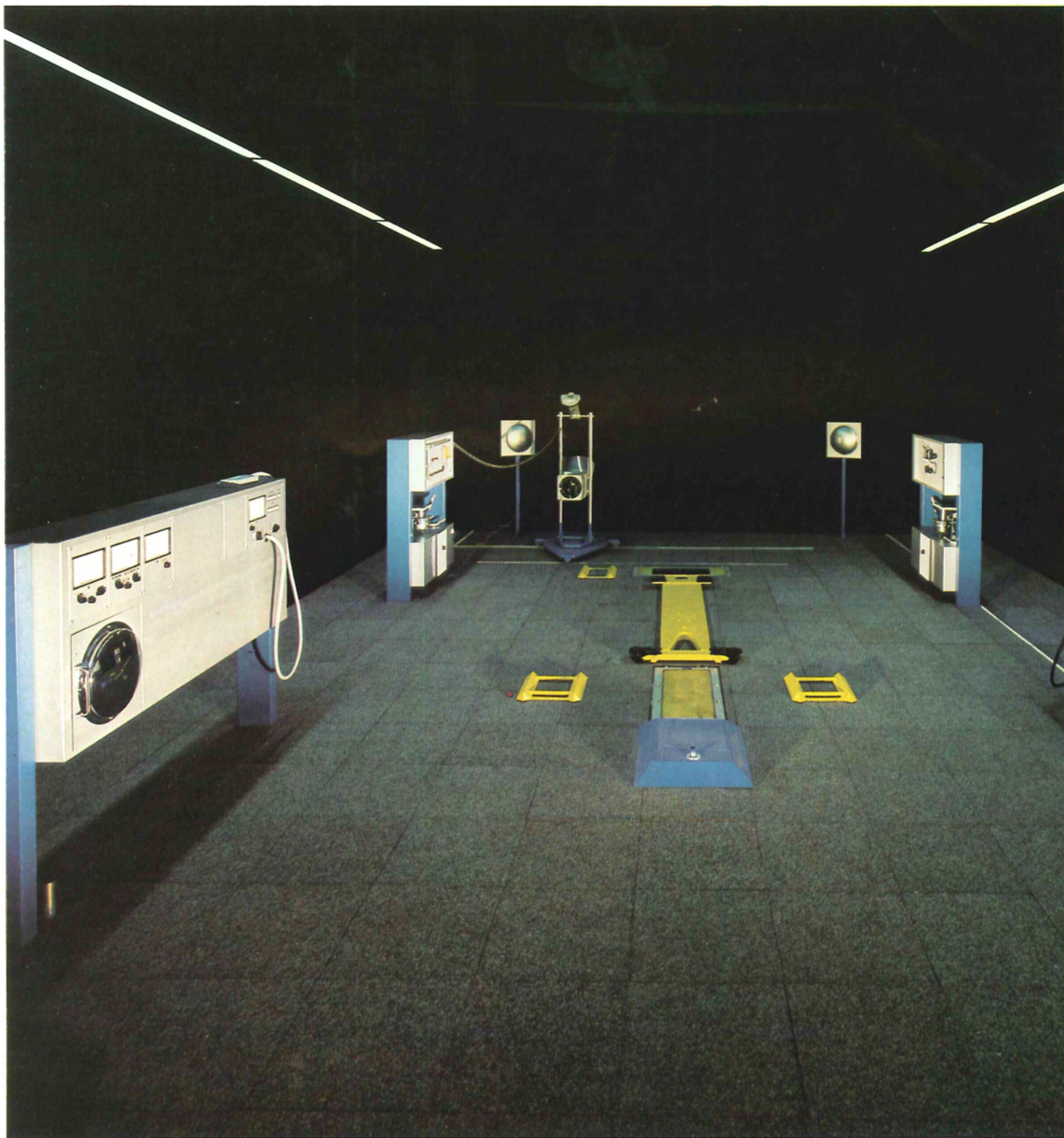
Back-up lights will make parking on dark nights easier and safer.

And don't forget the safety belts. They're a pretty good idea.

There's a huge selection of other extras to choose from. Much too many, in fact, for us to show them all. But ask your dealer. He'll tell you all about them.

The VW Microbus has everything that a saloon has. And then some.

Quite a lot for a small bus, did you say?



Own the VW Microbus - and know you're onto a good thing.

A car we've built over 3 million times. A car we've been improving over 21 years. Can't help but be a good thing.

VW quality.

This comes unfailingly with every VW. It means that the greatest care has gone into the workmanship. More perhaps than you'd think necessary. It means highly accurate inspection. More perhaps than you'd think necessary. A VW goes through 8,655 inspectors

before it leaves the works. That's our guarantee. And it's certainly cheaper than paying up for claims. The same care and accuracy goes into the manufacture of spare parts. And exchange units. Which is why the VW guarantee covers them too.

VW Diagnosis.

Before VW Diagnosis was thought of, nearly all cars the world over were being inspected and serviced according to certain rules. Better

than nothing, of course. But not enough.

In most cases there was no time to check on the car's general condition. The same old things were done to it over and over again. Some things that could have been serious were simply neglected. There were wrong diagnoses. Mistakes. Because accurate data on the car's condition was hard to find.

That's what VW Diagnosis is for. To get the facts straight. For you and your mechanic. All

testing and measurement is now done with specialized electronic equipment. And the detailed condition report will tell you just how good your VW is.

More accurately than ever, too. Parts will be replaced only if the mechanic's diagnosis is confirmed by the measuring instruments.

We think this kind of progress suits VW fine. And VW drivers too.



Love the VW Microbus -

Anyone who travels in a bus appreciates it if he's treated like a person. And not like just so much freight.

That's why we've taken the trouble to equip the Microbus as luxuriously as some saloons. Even a little more so, perhaps.

And passengers aren't slow to appreciate this fact. And they'll love you for it, too.

It goes without saying that this is an inexpensive bus to buy. And to keep up. And it's as

like the people who know it.

reliable as only a VW can be. But the main thing is that its occupants — two to eight of them — can travel in the Microbus like kings.

Otherwise, they need two saloons to match this comfort.

Changed your mind about that "nothing-but-a-small-bus" bit?

Technical Data and Equipment.

Engine and electrical system:

Air-cooled, four cylinder, four-stroke, horizontally opposed, rear-mounted engine. Capacity: 1584 cc. Output 60 bhp (SAE) at 4400 rpm. Maximum torque: 81.7 ft. lbs. (SAE) at 3000 rpm. Down-draught carburettor with automatic choke. Thermostatically controlled fan air cooling. Special engine oil cooler. 12 volt system. 45 Ah battery. Early cut-in generator — max. output 38 amps. (approx. 540 W).

Optional at extra charge: 1679 cc engine. Output 74 bhp (SAE) at 5000 rpm. Maximum torque 85.3 ft. lbs. at 3400 rpm. (SAE). Twin carburettor system with automatic choke. Air and oil cooling as above. 12 volt system Battery 45 Ah. Generator with max. output of 55 amps. (approx. 770 W).

Transmission:

Via clutch, fully and baulk synchronised four-speed gearbox, differential and double-joint drive shafts to the rear wheels. Gear shifting via central floor-mounted lever.

Chassis:

Suspension by means of torsion bars front and rear combined with double-acting telescopic shock absorbers. Wheel suspension and location by means of cranked trailing links up front and trailing arm at the back. Torsion bar stabilizer on the front axle. Hydraulic steering damper and safety steering column. Dual circuit brake system with disc brakes up front and brake pressure limiting valve. For 1700 cc models brake servo. Tyres: 1600 cc models: 7.00 — 14 8 PR; Microbus L 185 — R 14 (radial ply); 1700 cc models: 185 SR 14 (radial ply).

Performance (for 1700 cc models in brackets): Maximum speed in mph 68 (78)
Consumption (regular fuel) * in miles per imp. gallon 24.8 (22.0)
Optimum hill climbing ability on good roads, fully laden and in first gear 1 : 3.7

Dimensions: Wheel base, ins.: 94.5. Track front/rear, ins.: 54.6/56.6.

Maximum external length/width/height, ins.: 174.0/69.5/74.4 (L model 175.0/71.5/76.4).

Average length/width/height of passenger compartment, including luggage area, ins.: 110.2/59.5/55.1. Capacity approx. 177.0 cu. ft.

Average length/width/height of luggage area, ins.: 27.6/57.1/31.5. Capacity approx. 35.0 cu. ft.

Weights Microbus/Microbus L (for 1700 cc models in brackets): Unladen weight without driver and permissible total weight, lbs.: 2998/3097 (3042/3141) and 4960/5026.
Permissible trailed load for braked trailers of all types: 1764 lbs.

Special Equipment and Features:

Exterior: Two rear view mirrors. Steps below cab doors. Safety door handles. Chromed hubcaps. Additional in L models: steel sliding roof. Wrap-around trim moulding. Heating air intake grille trim. Window frames and vent wing frames polished and anodized. Rubber strips on bumpers with polished surrounds. Chromed VW sign. Pastel white roof and upper body in conjunction with all paintwork colours except white.

Cab: Plastic lined throughout. Floor lined with insulating rubber matting. Wheel housings damped with rubber. Further insulation and damping in cab. Driver's seat adjustable to nine positions even when vehicle is in motion. Passenger seat adjustable to two positions. Leatherette seat covers. Safety door locks. Coat hooks. Padded armrests. Door pull-to mouldings. Safety inside mirror. Ashtray. Grab handle for front seat passenger. Heating and ventilation systems adjustable over wide range. Ventilation air flow adjustable in all directions. Particularly effective windscreen defrosting. Glove compartment with flap. Two padded swivelling sun vizors with vanity mirror on the passenger side. Screw-type mountings for safety belts. Windscreen washer. Headlight flasher. Courtesy light. Hazard warning light system. Lane changer. Two-speed windscreen wipers. Non-reflecting instrument panel padding. Fuel gauge (complete with clock in L models). Access to passenger compartment.

Passenger compartment: Seating configurations for 7 and 8 seater versions as follows (from front to rear):

a) 7-seater = 2-2-3

b) 8-seater = 2-3-3 or 3-2-3

Plastic lined throughout including window pillars and luggage area. Safety padding on rear wall of cab. Upper half of trim in cloud white. Entire floor damped with rubber matting. Passenger compartment carefully insulated as in cab. Two comfortable plastic covered bench seats. Safety armrests. Flexible assist

straps. Coat hooks. Ashtrays. Courtesy light. Hot air outlets in front of front bench seat and below the rear bench seat. Two individually adjustable swivelling, adjustable-flow fresh air vents. Screw-type mountings for safety belts. Roof-high luggage compartment, accessible from inside and out. Additional in L model: Chromed window protection bars and haircord carpeting in luggage compartment. Side trim mouldings.

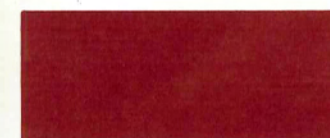
Extras at extra charge:

Two-tone paintwork (for Microbus — standard in Microbus L). Steel sliding roof (for Microbus — standard in Microbus L). Halogen headlight with twin-filament. Lockable engine compartment lid. Lockable tank cap. Mud flaps for rear wheels. Twin back-up lights. Radial ply tyres (standard in L models and 1700 cc models). Heavy duty shock absorbers. Brake servo (standard in 1700 cc models). Underbody protection. Anti-corrosion treatment for body cavities. Laminated windscreen. Intermittent setting operation for windscreen wiper. Automatic transmission. Vent wings in cab doors. Three vent wings in passenger compartment. Electrically heated rear window. Day/night rear view mirror. Additional instrument panel padding. Complete radio set with tape recorder socket. Head restraints for driver and front seat passenger. Backrest level partition with two seater bench seat for front seat passenger. Blowers for ventilation system. Thermostatically controlled auxiliary and stationary heater.

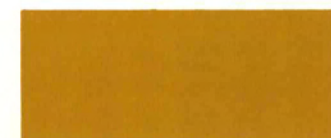
Bad weather package, including: electrically heated rear window, fog lights, rear fog lamp (depending on local regulations).

Paintwork and upholstery.

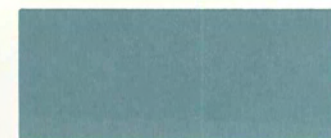
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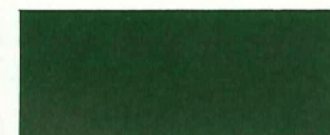
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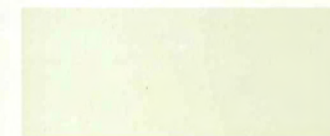


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2. Roof colour for two-tone paintwork



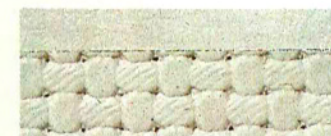
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The VW Microbus is available with a pastel white roof at extra charge. The VW Microbus L has a pastel white roof as a standard fitting.

3. Upholstery



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* With half permissible payload at steady 3/4 of maximum speed plus 10%.

**Your VW dealer
is looking forward to your visit.**

