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MARINA - GENERAL STORY

Leyland Australia today released details of the Morris Marina, the Corporation's stylish new contender for the light/medium car market.

The Deputy Chairman and Managing Director of Leyland Australia, Mr. J. O. Martin, said today the Marina ranked as one of the most crucial new-car releases in the Company's history.

"Much of Leyland's \$75 million investment in Australia depends on this car gaining a significant share of light car volume sales," Mr. Martin said.

There are nine models in the Marina range, which will make its public debut on April 7th.

It will be sold in sedan and coupe forms, with a choice of 1500 cc, 1750 cc and 1750 TC (twin carburettor) engines, Deluxe and Super Deluxe trim and manual or automatic transmissions.

There are 13 exterior colours, five interior trim colours and a wide range of options and accessories, giving a vast number of possible variations.

Marina prices start from \$2,350.

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"The Marina introduces the 'dual range concept' to our Australian model line-up", Mr. Martin said.

"It is a conventional car, with the front engine mounted "north-south" and driving the rear wheels. The Marina incorporates none of the technical innovations, front wheel drive or hydrolastic suspension, found in the Clubman or X6 ranges.

"But it fills a gap that has existed in our range of vehicles for an orthodox, mass-appeal car. It will complement our more technically sophisticated cars.

"And in future, Leyland Australia will market conventional cars -- like the Marina -- side by side with our front wheel drive models. With this dual range attack we believe we have the variety to satisfy most people's tastes."

Both sedan and coupe have a 96" wheelbase. But the sedan is three inches longer than the coupe, at 166.1" (13 ft. 10.1").

Standard equipment on all cars includes front disc brakes, deeply-padded front bucket seats with adjustable headrests, flow-through ventilation, two-speed wipers (with a useful single-wipe action) and electric washers.

The washers, wipers, horn, high beam and turn indicators are operated by two steering-column-mounted stalks, allowing the driver to operate most minor controls without taking his hands from the wheel, an aid to safety and convenience.

SPECIFICATIONS

MINI MARINA

The overhead camshaft engines all provide good performance and develop impressive torque at low engine speeds for good flexibility and pick-up in city driving.

The Marina will be well suited to women, with a compact 31 foot turning circle, smooth gearchange, light pedal pressures and steering.

All models have a lockable glovebox, while Super Deluxe and TC models also have a useful full-width parcel tray under the dash.

The Marina is well-equipped for long journeys, as its 12 gallon fuel tank should give over 300 miles. Both sedan and coupe can easily accommodate five people and their luggage. The sedan's 20 cubic ft. boot (coupe 17 cu.ft.) is the biggest in its class.

Top of the line in the Marina range is the TC Coupe.

Standard equipment on the sporty TC includes the twin-carby 90 BHP engine, special close-ratio gearbox, front disc brakes, woodrim steering wheel, deep-pile carpet, tachometer, radial tyres and fully reclining bucket seats.

Width

143.1"

166.1"

44.31"

44.31"

Kerb weight (w/o Man)

1925 lbs

2325 lbs

Fuel Capacity

12 Gallons

12 Gallons

Boot Capacity

17 cubic feet

20 cubic feet

S P E C I F I C A T I O N S

MORRIS MARINA

ENGINE

	<u>1500</u>	<u>1750</u>	<u>1750 T.C.</u>
Displacement	1485 cc	1746 cc	1746 cc
Bore Stroke (mm)	76.2 x 81.28	76.2 x 95.76	76.2 x 95.76
Max BHP @ RPM	62 @ 5500	78 @ 4800	90 @ 5200
Max Torque @ RPM	77 @ 2500	99 @ 3000	104 @ 3400
Compression Ratio	8.6:1	8.6:1	9.0:1
Carburettion	Single SU	Single SU	Twin SU

DIMENSIONS

	<u>2 Door</u>	<u>4 Door</u>
Wheelbase	96"	96"
Track - Front	52.5"	52.5"
Rear	52.4"	52.4"
Height - unladen	55"	55"
Length	163.1"	166.1"
Width	64.31"	64.31"
Kerb Weight D/L Man	1993 lbs	2029 lbs
Fuel Capacity	12 Gallons	12 Gallons
Boot Capacity	17 cubic feet	20 cubic feet



SPECIFICATIONS (cont'd)

AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION:

Floor mounted, optional on all Models but only with 1750 engine.

ENGINE DESIGN:

1500 and 1750 Engines, 4 cylinder in line water-cooled "E-Series" overhead Cam Shaft engines with 5 main bearing crankshaft. Mechanical fuel pump - single S.U. Carburettor. The T.C. 1750 engine features twin S.U. Carburettors.

BRAKES:

All Models have: -

- Front: 9.80" Diameter Girling Disc Brakes.
- Rear: 8 x 1.5" Diameter Drum Brakes.

A brake booster is available as an option.

The handbrake is centre floor mounted.

SUSPENSION:

All Models have:

- Front: Torsion Bar Suspension with lever arm shock absorber as top link.
- Rear: Two leaf semi-elliptic springs, with telescopic shock absorbers.