

WOLSELEY Four-Fortyfour

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SPECIFICATION

ENGINE. Four cylinders; bore 66.5 mm. (2.62 in.); stroke 90 mm. (3.54 in.); cubic capacity 1250 c.c. (76.28 cu. in.); overhead valves operated by push-rods and tappets from three-bearing camshaft driven from crankshaft by duplex roller chain; three-bearing counterbalanced crankshaft; renewable steel-backed white metal bearing liners; full-flow renewable element external filter; lubrication by gear-type pump driven by helical gears from camshaft; aluminium alloy pistons; valve clearance adjustment by adjustable rocker screws.

COOLING. By pressurised system assisted by impeller pump and fan. Circulation thermostatically controlled.

IGNITION. 12-volt battery and coil; distributor accessibly mounted on side of cylinder block and driven from camshaft by inclined shaft and helical gears; automatic advance and retard control.

CARBURATION. S.U. automatic carburetter fed from 9½-gallon rear tank by S.U. electric fuel pump; mixture control and throttle interlinked for easy starting from cold. Air intake cleaner.

TRANSMISSION. Borg and Beck single-plate dry clutch with light action to four-speed gearbox with synchromesh engagement for second, third and top gears giving overall ratios of first 18·559; second 10·983; third 7·342; top 4·875; reverse 18·559. Steering-column gear change; final drive by Hardy Spicer propeller shaft with needle-bearing universal joints and semi-floating back axle with hypoid final reduction gears giving long life and silent operation.

BRAKES. Lockheed hydraulic fully compensated brakes operated on all wheels by foot pedal; simple shoe adjustment which simultaneously adjusts hand brake; hand brake operates on rear shoes through pistol-grip pull handle and cable mechanism with relay lever.

BODY AND CHASSIS UNIT. The mono-construction four-door saloon body incorporates the body shell, floor, bulkhead and frame members. The body has a turret-type top of immense strength; bodies are completely treated for rust prevention in world's most up-to-date plant. Full-width one-piece bumpers front and rear. Deep well-sprung leather upholstery with Dunlopillo overlays on spring cases. Wide one-piece curved windscreen and large curved rear light. Large boot of exceptional depth with easy-operating counterbalanced lid. Petrol tank filler concealed by flush-fitting panel with anti-thief release inside boot. Hinged ventilating panels on front doors. Large parcel shelf behind rear squab. Polished wood garnish rails and finishers.

SUSPENSION. Independent front suspension by sturdy wishbone linkage with coil springs; long swivel pins; flexing rubber bearings for wishbones; rubber-mounted semi-elliptic rear springs; telescopic hydraulic rear shock absorbers with anti-sway mounting.

WHEELS AND TYRES. Disc-type wheels with five-stud fixing equipped with Dunlop 5.50—15 tyres. Spare wheel carried in upright position in side of boot and easily handled on emergency.

STEERING. Rack and pinion steering gearbox with direct linkage to steering arms on swivel pins, providing extremely light and accurate steering. Spring steering wheel with central horn switch and self-cancelling trafficator control.

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT. High-output dynamo with compensated voltage control; 12-volt battery; dipping headlamps with pre-focused bulbs; main beam indicator light on facia panel; foot dipping switch; separate sidelights; ignition warning light; ventilator motor switch; stop- and tail-lamps; number-plate lamp; reverse lamp; dual arm windscreen wiper; twin windtone electric horns; trafficators with automatic cancelling switch; two roof-lamps and switch; radiator badge light.

INSTRUMENTS. Speedometer with trip recorder; fuel gauge; oil gauge; thermometer; electric clock.

CONTROL PANEL. Ignition switch; mixture control; starter switch; two-position lamp switch; windscreen wiper switch; lighting switch for instruments.

GENERAL EQUIPMENT. Triplex toughened safety glass all round; leather upholstery; pile carpets; three ashtrays; anti-glare driving mirror; push-button door lock release with fixed door-handles; divided bench-type front seat with individual adjustment for each half; two large glove trays, one each side of instrument panel; inbuilt forced ventilation system with controllable fresh-air intake and inbuilt demisting ducts; two sun visors; arm-rests on rear doors; special jack and jacking points. Provision for wireless. (A heater will be supplied as a standard fitment in certain territories. It will **not** be available as an optional fitment in territories where it is not supplied as standard equipment.)

DIMENSIONS. Overall height 60 in. (152 cm.). Overall length 173 in. (439·4 cm.). Wheelbase 102 in. (259 cm.).

COLOURS. Grey (Metallised) with Grey upholstery. Moonstone Grey with Brown upholstery. Green (metallised) with Green upholstery. Black with Brown upholstery.

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