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I still remember the excitement with which I greeted the arrival of my parents' first campervan over 40 years ago. My dad was in the motor trade, so a different car was nothing new, but this was a whole new ballgame – seats that turned into a bed, a roof that popped up to reveal stretcher-style bunks, and – most of all – the promise of adventures. It was only going to be ours for the weekend but actually stayed in the family for 18 months, before being traded in for something newer, bigger and better. We'd all been bitten by the motorhome bug (especially after a month-long trek across Europe to Bulgaria's Black Sea coast in our next camper) and a further seven 'vans took up residence over the years on that Croydon driveway.



Today, I have my own motorhome (above) and, while my own kids might not look up from the telly (son) or smartphone (daughter) when I come in from work, they always do when I pull up in the latest test vehicle. It doesn't matter to them if it's a little campervan or a massive A-class; each and every one needs exploring. So why not start making memories for your own kids – or grandkids? You might begin by hiring a 'van to see how you get on, but when the time comes to buy, you'll find plenty of choice, and buying used can make motorhoming surprisingly affordable (as we show on page 69).

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+ Featuring two spacious dinette areas



Hymer USA to build to European standards

The American RV manufacturing group, Thor Industries, which owns Europe's Erwin Hymer Group, has created a new company called Hymer USA.

The new company will make motorhomes and campervans for the US market based on European manufacturing practices and quality standards. This is the first time European manufacturing practices have been used in an American motorhome factory. The announcement follows Thor's 2019 acquisition of the German Erwin Hymer Group (EHG).

"Delivering to the North American market the innovation, design and quality for which the Hymer brand is known will benefit consumers and dealers, further enhance Thor's leadership position within the market and will provide strong long-term value to our investors," stated Bob Martin, President & CEO of Thor Industries.

"We also see great potential for our European vehicles on the North American market, especially in the product category of multifunctional vehicles," said EHG CEO, Martin Brandt. "In addition, Thor, as well as dealers and customers, appreciate our European expertise in quality, innovation, design and lightweight construction."

With the joint establishment of leisure vehicle production in the US under Hymer USA, EHG is now taking the next step. "Our European vehicles will be produced utilising our standards and production methods. To this end, we will work with the new organisation and its leadership in Bristol [USA] to assist with training courses in



areas such as lean management. This is a great honour for us and makes us proud," says Brandt.

Employees from several of EHG's plants in Europe have, or will, relocate to America for two years to "allow Hymer USA to replicate its proven manufacturing process".

"Hymer USA will feature a very different way of manufacturing not currently seen in the North American RV industry, including automated processes that will be implemented throughout design and assembly," said Troy James, Thor Industries Senior Vice President. "Having worked closely with EHG this past year, I'm very impressed by their teamwork, product innovation and manufacturing processes. Products will benefit from the world-leading quality standards set by EHG and our new work environment will feature highly skilled team members collaborating directly with employees from EHG's European operations while incorporating the speed to

market for which Thor is well-regarded. We are very excited to fully incorporate the EHG best practices into the operations of the newly created Hymer USA subsidiary starting on day one."

Meanwhile, in Europe, Hymer, has revealed a new layout in its premium B-Class Masterline A-class range. The new B-ML I 890 is 8.99m long and is built on a twin-rear axle SLC chassis, which is made by Hymer, coupled to a Mercedes-Benz Sprinter front-wheel drive cowl. The 890's layout features an island double bed that is 2m long and almost 1.60m wide.

Hymer has also launched another Sprinter-based coachbuilt – the new 7.39m T-Class S 680, which features a popular twin single bed layout at the rear with a central en-suite washroom that can be partitioned off from the living area and an optional drop-down bed above the L-shaped front lounge."

MARQUIS BUYS MARTINS OF EXETER

Marquis has expanded its network of motorhome dealerships with the acquisition of Martins of Exeter, which is situated on a four-acre site with easy access to the M5 at Junction 30.

Marquis Exeter, as the new site will be known, officially opened on 28 January. The new business will have a vast display of new motorhomes from a selection of Trigano Group brands, including vehicles from Auto-Sleepers, Benimar and Mobilvetta. Also making their debut on the Sandygate site over the coming months will be coachbuilts from Marquis' exclusive Majestic dealer special

edition range, built by Elddis.

Mike Crouch, MD of Marquis, commented, "It is a great pleasure that we welcome the opportunity to acquire such an iconic name in the industry. With nearly 100 years' experience in supplying caravans and latterly motorhomes to the southwest, Marquis Exeter is a super fit into our portfolio. Their customer service and reputation is second to none, and with an approved workshop under the NCC banner means they can cater for a vast range of service and repair work."





Free expert seminars at Yorkshire motorhome show

Yorkshire's biggest motorhome show, The Yorkshire Motorhome and Campervan Show 2020, returns to Harrogate on March 20 to 22.

As well as browsing over 120 indoor and outdoor exhibitors, comparing over 250 new and used 'vans, plus a huge selection of outdoor leisure accessories on sale, there will also be a series of free seminars led by campervan and motorhome experts, including the Editor of *What Motorhome*, Peter Vaughan. Visitors will have the chance to ask questions at these free seminars, which take place in Hall 1's seminar room. There's no need to book in advance for these sessions.

Peter will present a seminar entitled 'Choosing a Campervan or Motorhome' during which he will give advice on how to find the right model for you, covering topics such as the variety of motorhome layouts, types of campervan and motorhome, base vehicles and engine options,

winter camping, and weights and payloads.

Other speakers include Mark Patterson from the RAC's Arrival Cover – a breakdown and recovery scheme developed exclusively for members of The Camping and Caravanning Club.

Dave Hurrell will present a seminar on motorhome electrics and will be on hand to answer questions about the various systems and options available.

SvTech's Richard Drinkwater will explain motorhome and campervan weight limits and payloads and how to ensure drivers do not overload their vehicle when touring.

Adam Blacklin, the Managing Director of connectivity specialists, Motorhome WiFi, will also present a seminar covering how to make sure motorhomers can get a reliable internet connection in their 'van, allowing them to stream TV and browse the web even in the most rural and remote locations.

The seminar schedule is:

Friday

10am - Mark Patterson
11am - Dave Hurrell
12 noon - Richard Drinkwater
1pm - Adam Blacklin
2pm - Peter Vaughan

Saturday

10am - Adam Blacklin
11am - Peter Vaughan

12 noon - Dave Hurrell
1pm - Mark Patterson
2pm - Richard Drinkwater

Sunday

10am - Richard Drinkwater
11am - Peter Vaughan
12 noon - Dave Hurrell
1pm - Mark Patterson
2pm - Adam Blacklin

WHEELHOME LAUNCHES NEW PETROL-ENGINEED COMPACT CAMPERVAN

Wheelhome, the Essex-based company which has specialised in compact campervans for over 30 years, has released details of its latest model, which will make its debut at The National Motorhome & Campervan Show at Peterborough in April.

Called the Vikenze +4, the new camper has a similar interior layout to the existing (Fiat Qubo-based) Vikenze, with the '+4' referring to its four travel seats. It will be based on the Vauxhall Combo Life MPV (a member of the PSA Group's range of small vans/MPVs that also includes the latest Peugeot Partner and Citroën Berlingo).

Wheelhome will use the Vauxhall in its car derivative with a 1.2-litre turbocharged three-cylinder petrol engine and either six-speed manual gearbox and 110bhp or an eight-speed automatic transmission and 130bhp. It was this ultra-rare combination of petrol power and an auto' gearbox that Wheelhome's customers have been seeking, resulting in the Combo Life being chosen for the new conversion.

Standard spec on the base vehicle, which is just 4.40m long, includes air-conditioning, cruise control, an 8in touchscreen with Apple Car Play, Android Auto and Bluetooth, as well as Forward Collision Alert and multiple airbags.

Although Wheelhome adds its own electric elevating roof, overall height has been kept down to just 1.88m, so the Vikenze +4 will fit in many domestic garages. The conversion will be offered as a one or two-berth, with the second bed in the roof.

Unusually, this small campervan uses no gas – cooking is all electric, via an induction hob, electric oven and a microwave, while the fridge is a Waeco compressor model. Power is supplied by an on-board inverter, large battery bank and 300W solar panel. Up to three days' off-grid camping without a mains hook-up is claimed.

Conversions will be available on late pre-owned Vauxhall cars sourced by Wheelhome or brand-new models. Prices will be confirmed at the Peterborough show.



Rapido launches Ultimate Line

With the success of its models with a similar layout, French manufacturer, Rapido, has introduced a new A-class with an island bed.

This new four-berth 7.20m-long A-class – called the 886F Ultimate Line – has four travel seats and a payload of 435kg. It is based on the 3.5-tonne Fiat Ducato with wide rear track Camping-Car chassis.

The Ultimate Line pack comes with new Castello furniture with matt overhead cupboard doors and Milan upholstery. Extra equipment in the cab includes a rear-view camera with night vision, a Kenwood multimedia centre with

6.2in screen, twin airbags, a host of driving safety features, electric defrosting wing mirrors, and a thermal windscreen blind.

In the habitation area, there is also a host of extras fitted as standard, including speakers in the living area and a built-in extractor hood with LED lighting in the kitchen.

Providing another design touch is the new laminate finish on the kitchen worktop and living room table, its dark colour coordinating with the new curtain, net curtain and cushion colours. Lastly, the bedroom boasts a new fabric headboard with backlighting.



MOTORHOME DEPOT MOVES TO NEW PREMISES

Motorhome brokerage firm, Motorhome Depot, is moving to new head offices to support plans for future growth.

The firm started life in the Mansfield Innovation Centre, in 2012, with four employees. It has grown into a business which employs 35 members of staff and has a network of more than 60 franchisees across the UK and Europe. Its move to bigger premises, still in Mansfield, will allow it to open a dedicated training centre for its HabCheck brand, which provides a mobile independent and impartial pre-purchase inspection and habitation check service for motorhomes and caravans.

Motorhome Depot's Finance Director, Adam Reek, said, "We have ambitious plans for growth, with a strategy that includes expanding our presence in the UK to maximise our market share and developing throughout mainland Europe."

Motorhome Depot acts as an 'estate agent for motorhomes'. The firm's independent brokers look after every aspect of the motorhome selling process, from initial inspection and valuation right through to negotiating a sale price, closing the deal and securely managing the financial transaction.



Mercedes introduces 'smart' campervan

Mercedes-Benz is introducing its MBAC (Mercedes Benz Advanced Control) interface as a standard feature on its Marco Polo campervans. Owners will get a 10.25in touchscreen central display in the cab and, when mated to a smartphone app, it will allow mobile control of a host of functions:

- Check fresh and waste water tank levels
- Ascertain leisure battery voltage
- Control the blown-air heater with timers and a night-time setting
- Set the temperature of the fridge
- Raise and lower the electric pop-up roof
- Play with the settings of the sound system (including bass and more)
- Adjust the brightness and colour temperature of the interior lights, including the ambient ones

You will also be able to take advantage of the Mercedes 'me connect' services. The free elements of this include maintenance management, accident recovery and breakdown management, teleriagnostics and remote vehicle diagnostics. Buyers can then opt for other services including vehicle monitoring/tracking, navigation and in-vehicle internet.

Another new feature of the Marco Polo is the option of a Premium Sport Package for the exterior, with chrome details on the bumpers and five-spoke 18in alloys, as well as sports suspension and Mercedes-Benz branding on the brake callipers.



PREMIER MOTORHOMES TO SELL AUTO-SLEEPERS

West Sussex-based motorhome dealer, Premier Motorhomes, has taken on the franchise for the Auto-Sleepers brand.

Based in Chichester, Premier displays over 60 motorhomes on site, with 15 under cover in its showroom, where Auto-Sleepers will join Auto-Trails, Chaussons, Dethleffs and Hymers. The dealer also has a 12-bay NCC Approved Workshop Scheme facility on site.

Dave Williams, Sales Director of Auto-Sleepers, said, "Premier Motorhomes represents a keystone appointment for us and we are delighted to welcome them into our handpicked dealer network. Their reputation for customer service, superb facilities and excellent location made them the stand out choice for us and our product range dovetails perfectly within their existing portfolio, too."

See our review of the Auto-Sleeper Nuevo ES on page 21.



Benimar launches new end washroom layout

A new end washroom motorhome has joined the Ford-based Benimar Tessoro motorhome range, with the new model making its debut at the recent NEC Caravan Camping & Motorhome Show.

The new 487 is similar to the Tessoro 483 but has twin inward-facing sofas and is 28cm longer overall. Its spacious lounge is up front, while the kitchen is located centrally, opposite the UK-handed habitation door. At the rear is a large washroom with separate shower and a huge wardrobe. This clothes storage sits above a large garage but there is internal access to this space, too.

It offers four berths (with a double made up from the lounge seating and a double that drops down from the roof above), as well as four travel seats (two in the cab and two folding Isofix-equipped travel seats under the lounge sofas).

Prices for the Tessoro 487 start at £58,995, with the 168bhp (170PS) Ford engine as standard.



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The T6.1 camper is here!

Hillside is one of the first converters to get hold of the latest VW. Here are the results...

Gone is the T6. Long live the T6.1. This is the next generation of VW Transporter, the van that's the basis of almost every aspirational pop-top campervan, so it's BIG news. In time, you'll see T6.1s everywhere, but these Hillside are the first, in the UK at least.

Just as when T6 superseded T5 and we struggled to spot the difference, the same is pretty true of the new T6.1 compared with the outgoing T6. The main difference is at the front, where there's a new much deeper grille (there to meet the cooling requirements of the updated engines). With narrower headlights (now optionally LED lights), the result is an altogether more modern appearance, but the basic shape from the windscreen back is the same as the first T5 of 2003.

From the side, the only aesthetic difference is on the wing, where the section between the headlights and side indicators now features an inset Transporter logo – handy, perhaps, if you thought you'd bought a Ford Transit Custom!

It's what you can't see that's most significant. The side door features a new sliding mechanism that's lighter and smoother and there's now a child safety lock switch in the cab. The side window has a new opening latch that's easier to operate, too.

Step around the back and you'll be forgiven for thinking it's identical. Err, because it is, unless you've ordered the LED tail-lights. Colour wise, Chestnut Brown and Acapulco Blue have been dropped, while Bayleaf Green, Fortana Red, Ravenna Blue, Ascot Grey and Copper Bronze are



Startline spec still means a black bumper and no alloys, but you now get cab air-con as standard





Flat-bottomed wheels make the VW world go round. New dashboard comes with new tech, too



What van did you say you'd bought?



Birchover XL (basically a long-wheelbase Classic) in bold new Fortana Red metallic

new additions.

Under the bonnet, the new Euro 6d engines obviously comply with the latest emissions standards. The 84PS and 102PS engines have been upgraded to 90PS and 110PS respectively, while the 204PS flagship gets downgraded to 199PS. As before, you have to go to the 150PS unit or above to have a DSG automatic or the 4Motion all-wheel drive system.

In the cab, there's a completely new dash, the centre section of which is angled towards the driver so it's easier to see the new central touchscreen display. Apart from the

usual DAB radio and optional sat-nav, this now features Volkswagen's wireless App Connect which comes with a one-year free subscription. Since the T6.1 Highline now features front and rear parking sensors (previously rear only), this information is also automatically displayed on the screen, changing from amber to red and beeping with increased urgency as you come closer to destroying your new colour-coded bumpers.

Further updates include a 12V socket in the glovebox, an extra cupholder next to the gearstick and a wider cubby on the top of the

dash. USB ports have been updated to USB-C, and climate control has been increased from four speeds and three directions to six speeds and five directions. Cab air-con is now standard even on entry-level Startline vans, too.

Look up and you'll notice a new control panel where you'll find LED interior lights, as well as an SOS button in case you need help from the emergency services.

The steering wheel now has a flat bottom, just like in Volkswagen cars, and the new electromechanical power steering feels super-light at low speeds and reassuringly firm at

higher velocities. Additionally, you now get adaptive cruise control on Highline models and Crosswind Assist on all versions. The new steering system has also allowed the introduction of techy options such as lane keeping assist and park assist (which can even park your new T6.1 for you!).

So, the new Transporter is familiar enough to keep its thousands of loyal fans on board, while boasting enough new tech to make you want to trade in your T6 for the latest model. Its popularity as a campervan (California included, of course) will be

HILLSIDE'S VW T6.1 CAMPERVAN RANGE

Hillside Leisure is one of a handful of Volkswagen-approved converters in the country. Its campers also have European Community Whole Vehicle Type Approval and are NCC (National Caravan Council) approved, too. Its T6.1 range is as follows –

BIRCHOVER S

The tried-and-tested side kitchen layout with RIB two-seat rear bench. Prices start at £39,995 on a Startline with 90PS engine.

BIRCHOVER CLASSIC

A higher-spec camper (diesel heating, hot water, etc), still with side kitchen layout.

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BIRCHOVER EXECUTIVE

Newest addition to the range. A more modern take on the side kitchen format. From £51,995 on a Highline with 110PS engine.

CROMFORD

Based on the long-wheelbase T6.1 with a rear washroom, central kitchen and two single RIB travel seats which convert into single beds. For 2020, the Cromford has been redesigned, resulting in a more user-friendly layout. Prices from £45,495. See photo right.





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Kids love campervans

Motorhomes and campervans aren't just for retired couples. They suit families, trips with grandchildren, and groups of friends – if you buy the right 'van...

Much of the motorhome market is about two people on tour, and plenty of models have just two berths and/or only two travel seats. If you want to accommodate more folk, generally the amount of choice reduces the more people you want to carry, though up to seven berths are possible (Rimor even has a model with four bunk beds).

Harder to find than more berths are sufficient belted travel seats, with remarkably few motorhomes or campervans offering more than a quartet of seatbelts. There are numerous models that claim sleeping capacity for more people than can safely travel onboard. Don't give up, though – there are options for most families.

Once you've found a model with enough belts you can't, unfortunately, tick that box and move on, especially if some of your passengers are young enough to still need baby or child seats. Where dining tables do not fully remove (the best solution for safe travel) they may leave insufficient space or



The Editor's kids have been motorhoming since they were babies

legroom to fit a kiddy seat. Then, some child seats require a length of seatbelt that would be enough to go around Mr Blobby's bigger brother, and motorhome belts are rarely so well endowed.

Isofix is rare in motorhomes and campervans, although it is slowly – very slowly – spreading to more models and more brands. Adria and Westfalia are amongst the manufacturers offering Isofix, as do the OEM campervans – Ford Nugget, Mercedes Marco Polo and VW California. Without Isofix you need to be aware that child seats sometimes don't work well in motorhomes – in one campervan we tested recently a child seat was able to slide off the side of a forward-facing bench when the vehicle went around a roundabout! Child seats, therefore, often work best when placed next to a wall.

EXTRA BEDS

Having enough sleeping space is often more easily solved than finding a 'van with sufficient seatbelts, especially if your kids (or friends) are happy to sleep in an awning, or a tent alongside the 'van. Older children may actually prefer having their own separate space, while modern inflatable awnings from firms such as Outwell are so easy to erect that you can allay any bad memories of tent poles and unfathomable instructions.

Most smaller campervans, such as VW T6s and Ford Transit Customs, will have a bed in the pop-top, or at least the option of adding one. These usually have adult-sized mattresses and are sometimes even better than the bed below. Most campers of this type also have four seatbelts, but there are some models with five travel seats (or even more with extra slot-in removable seats). If you're considering a model with a double passenger seat in the cab, however, be aware that these are a rather heavily compromised arrangement.

Twin lounge layouts enable parents or grandparents to enjoy their own space



A fixed bed can become a great play area or space to sprawl in the day



Move up to larger high-roof van conversions and four-berth options are fairly few and far between. There are several manufacturers (including Auto-Sleepers, Dreamer and Swift) that offer twin lounge layouts and even bunk beds (try Dreamer and WildAx) can be found in van conversions, while others (Auto-Trail, Globecar, Hymer, etc) go down the route of adding a pop-top above the original high-top. The elevating roof is then just to provide an extra bedroom (full standing room already exists), but as with VWs you might not want to sleep in a canvas-sided space in mid-winter.

Moving up to larger coachbuilt motorhomes will give you more living space and, while overcab coachbuilds might seem a bit 'old hat', that luton bedroom will make a great kids' den – or even an adult space in some models. Unlike the more fashionable drop-down beds in low-profile motorhomes, the overcab bed won't interfere with the living area when occupied.



If you can stretch your funds (or buy secondhand), an A-class might be an even better option. Almost all A-classes have a drop-down bed in the cab (almost instantly available for mum and dad), while a twin single beds arrangement aft can work well for offspring. A Hymer ML-I like this provided the Editor with an especially successful trip to Denmark, travelling four-up.

The most obvious layout, though, for family motorhoming is a bunk bed design. It's best if the bunks are as separated as possible from the lounge (and well away from the habitation door, too) and you'll find bunk bed coachbuilds from a number of makers, at different price points (though typically in entry-level ranges), and in lengths from 6m up to 7.5m. These floorplans are often popular with hire fleets, too, so there's the opportunity to try before you buy – always a good idea if you're investing in your very first leisure vehicle.

WEIGH IT UP

In the six-berth coachbuilt sector another option is to go for a model with two lounge areas (such as in the Bailey on page 33). The extra living – and lounging – space is very tempting if you're travelling mob-handed but these layouts cannot usually match the storage space of a bunk bed or garage layout.

Having found a shortlist of models with enough belts and berths, it's essential not to get carried away and sign the order form straight away in your excitement. Next, you need to check out storage and payload. It's obvious that the more people that travel in the 'van the more stuff they'll want to bring with them. That could include pushchairs for little ones or bikes for teenagers. Even six spare pairs of shoes and six coats can take up a lot of room, let alone a sextet of outdoor chairs, so, if you're tempted by non-fixed-bed layouts, do think carefully where you're going to put everything. A garage might



A big table is desirable when feeding a lot of faces



Fixed twin bed layouts can be ideal with kids, especially if there's also a drop-down bed for mum and dad



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become a must-have.

Then you need to think about what it all weighs. Payloads are usually calculated with just a (75kg) driver onboard, so get everyone to stand on the scales and tot up the total. Then think about all their gear. If the payload quoted looks marginal for two or four folk then it'll leave you very overloaded with six. This might be the time to look at chassis upgrade options, even on VW campers (which vary from 2,600kg to 3,200kg gross weight) while coachbuilds will usually need to be on heavy chassis (more than 3,500kg, with driving licence implications) to have enough capacity to cope with a larger family and all their gear.

That just leaves you to pick the most practical upholstery option available and leave the removable carpets in the garage at home. Then you'll be ready for the very best family holidays, ones your kids will always fondly remember.



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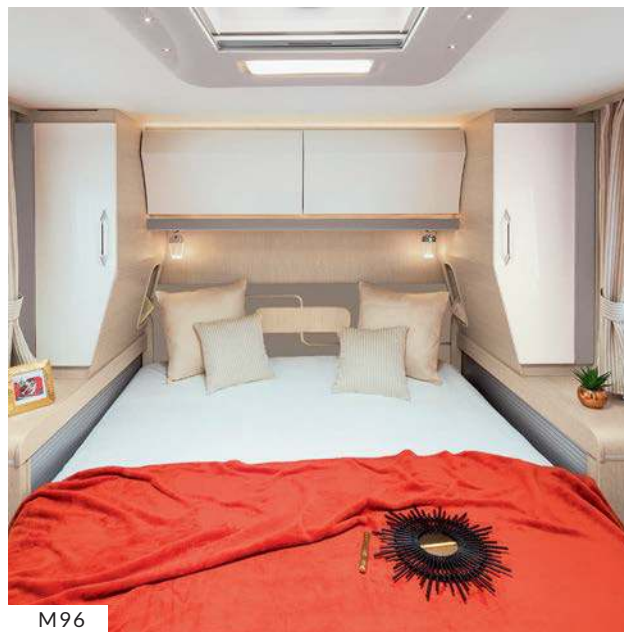
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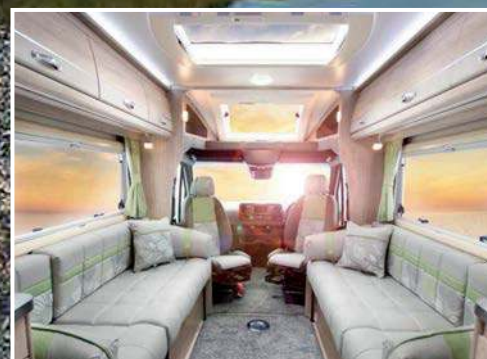
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FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Peugeot Boxer

PRICE FROM £60,100

BERTHS 4

TRAVEL SEATS 4

LENGTH 5.75m

WIDTH 2.32m

HEIGHT 2.69m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD 514kg

ALSO CONSIDER

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AUTO-SLEEPERS' long-lived Nuevo is still one of the most compact British coachbuilds on the market, measuring well under 6m overall. It may be small, but it's not lacking in spec and the 2020-season sees equipment levels enhanced again.

There's a new 4G mobile broadband system with a roof antenna and Huawei MiFi router box. Also added are a new microwave, revised graphics (not shown) and the VIN Chip security marking system. Most importantly, of course, it meets the latest Euro 6d emissions standard, while boasting a power increase to 165bhp.

Inside, arrangements continue with a classic

layout but this is not the traditional side settee two-berth floorplan that you might associate with the name Nuevo. That's the EK, while this ES replaces the offside sofa with a half-dinette (incorporating seatbelts for two passengers), as well as adding an overcab bed in a taller, more bulbous luton.

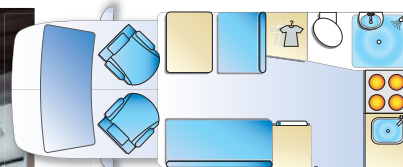
The base vehicle is Peugeot's Boxer, with a new 2.2-litre engine mated to a six-speed manual gearbox. You can opt for an automatic if you have your Nuevo on Fiat's near-identical Ducato. A 140bhp Fiat is £2,000 extra, while the 160bhp version is another £1k on top of that, but this is the desirable new nine-speed 'box.



The ES has cab seats that swivel to face a cosy lounge with a nearside sofa as well as the half-dinette. And this front lounge makes into a transverse double bed (2.10m by 1.38m) or alternative lengthways singles (1.90m by 0.70m and 1.80m by 0.90m, all manufacturers' figures) using the cab seat bases as the foot of each bed.

Further aft, there's a cabinet on the nearside that doubles as working space for the kitchen and





BUY AN AUTO-SLEEPER FROM...

As the largest manufacturer of van conversions in the UK (as well as building a range of coachbuilds), Auto-Sleepers has retail outlets throughout England, Wales and Scotland, including both independent dealers and the 12 branches of sister company, Marquis Leisure. The extensive Auto-Sleeper dealer network is shown in full at auto-sleepers.com/contact-us/find-a-dealer



WHO IS AUTO-SLEEPERS?

The small village of Willersey, in the Cotswolds, seems an unlikely home for a motorhome manufacturer, but Auto-Sleepers has been there for over 50 years.



All Auto-Sleepers' models have obtained European Whole Vehicle Type Approval – and, indeed, the company now has a small network of dealers in Germany. Today, it offers UK buyers a range of Peugeot Boxer van conversions, a further eight Peugeot-based coachbuilds, plus six coachbuilds on the latest Mercedes Sprinter chassis.

Auto-Sleepers (along with sister company, Marquis) is now part of the French-owned Trigan Group.



sideboard for the lounge. This also makes a handy nightstand when the double bed is made. Above is a microwave, below a modest fridge with the added luxury of automatic energy selection. There are crystal wine glasses fitted here, too.

Ranged across the rear, the rest of the kitchen is very nicely equipped, with a full, domestic-style cooker and stainless-steel sink, plus plenty of drawers below and two glazed lockers above.

Next door, in the rear offside corner, the bathroom makes good use of space thanks to the fact that the basin is mounted on a swing-wall that helps to create a spacious semi-separate

shower. The loo is one of Thetford's swivel-bowl stalwarts and, above, there's a reasonably roomy wooden medicine/toiletries cabinet.

Forward of the bathroom, the Nuevo tour is completed with a wardrobe with drawer below. Truma's Combi boiler lives beneath – the drawer nicely warmed, ideal for nicely toasty socks.

The ES version also has an overcab double bed with reasonable headroom, making this possibly the smallest four-berth coachbuilt on the market.

Nuevo's standard-fit kit list is pretty impressive, but to get all the toys you will need to find another £2,500 for the Premium Pack. That adds alloy

wheels, cab air-conditioning, cruise control, a Thule wind-out awning, colour reversing camera, Peugeot DAB radio with sat-nav and an 80W solar panel. Further options are the Media Pack, which adds a Mecatronic 65cm automatic satellite system for £995 and a Winter Pack providing cab blinds, water tank heaters, an upgraded Truma Combi and wheelarch insulation blankets for £295. All in, that brings a fully loaded Nuevo ES up to £63,990 (in manual form). That's a similar price to a well-spec'd Fiat/Peugeot van conversion but this little coachbuilt offers more room – and there's nothing else quite like it.



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2016	Autotrail Apache 700 6 Berth Double Dinette, Over Cab Bed, Rear Lounge	£51,995
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Imala 730 HB

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FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Fiat Ducato

PRICE FROM £56,690

BERTHS 4/6

TRAVEL SEATS 2/4

LENGTH 7.25m

WIDTH 2.35m

HEIGHT 3.03m/3.10m (Lo-Line/Hi-Line)

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg
(3,650kg option)

PAYLOAD 300kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Carado T334

McLouis Fusion 360

IMALA is now Auto-Trail's most expansive range. There are 10 models, some with options of up to six seatbelts and six berths. You can have overcab lutons with an 'upstairs' bed – called Hi-Line – or a Lo-Line with lockers instead. All are based on the Fiat Ducato, with a 120bhp Euro 6d engine as standard.

The Sevel cab is just one factor that now distances the Imala from the cheaper Tribute coachbuilds, which for 2020 have moved onto the Ford chassis. Previously, the two ranges were very closely related, with the Imalas getting extra spec and plusher interiors.

The example shown here has the optional,

family-orientated, half-dinette (HD) seating arrangement which adds two rear travel seats for an extra £825 (but also reduces payload by 35kg). What it doesn't show is how colourful the latest Auto-Trails can look, with a choice of six cab paint schemes – white, grey, silver, black, red or gold.

All models have been updated for the new season with a new habitation door. A new entrance step is illuminated and there's an external step, too, as the floor level is quite high. The latest décor is Moyet Oak furniture with two-tone curved upper locker doors and new Imogen upholstery and accent cushions in a selection of five colours.



It's the arrival of two HB – that's High Bed – models that we're focusing on here, though. This is the 730, with an island bed, but there's also a new 734 HB with twin beds. Here it's a slim rear garage – 0.69m wide – with almost a metre of internal height and tall, narrow loading doors on either side. With a payload of just 265kg as reviewed, most buyers will need to carefully consider going for a gross vehicle weight upgrade.





BUY AN AUTO-TRAIL FROM...

Auto-Trail has a comprehensive network of retailers across the UK, from Perthshire Caravans in Scotland down to Marquis Leisure (Plymouth) in the southwest and JC Leisure (Rye) in the far southeast. In Northern Ireland the sole outlet is Abbey Caravans & Leisure. In all, the Auto-Trail website lists over 20 dealers for the brand in the UK plus more in Australia and New Zealand (but none across the Channel). Also listed are companies that can rent you an Auto-Trail motorhome.



WHO IS AUTO-TRAIL?



The first Auto-Trail motorhome dated from 1982 and many of its early vehicles were based on Mercedes chassis. Other base vehicles followed, including VWs, Talbots, Peugeots, Fords and Fiats but the company tended to focus on the luxury end of the market.

While van conversions had featured in the company's brochures before, it was the 2013 launch of the first V-Line that really marked a new focus on this sector and today the recently expanded Grimsby factory also manufactures van conversions for sister brands in the Trigano Group (Benimar, Chausson and Roller Team).

The entry-level Tribute models were originally marketed as a separate brand but became fully fledged Auto-Trails with a range of van conversions and coachbuilts in 2017. At the other end of the range, the flagship Frontiers include tag-axle models.



Fortunately, a 3,650kg chassis will give you an additional 150kg capacity at no extra cost.

At the opposite end of the 730, the Hi-Line overcab includes a 1.90m by 1.20m double bed with half the bed base sliding back to ease the walk-through to the cab. Headroom for sleepers reduces towards the front but the sunroof above is unusually large for this type of 'van.

Down below, the HD version's travel seat has more shape to its backrest than most and the layout has a nearside settee, while the wall-mounted table has a swing-out extension leaf for mob-handed dining. The optional Media Pack

(£1,299) adds a flip-down TV in the cab, plus Zenec Xzent touchscreen head unit with motorhome-specific sat-nav, DAB+ tuner, Bluetooth and colour reversing camera.

This Imala's kitchen is centrally located on the offside and it's the winning feature of the model. It comes with a full cooker with mains hotplate, three gas rings and a separate grill and oven. Above is a Russell Hobbs microwave but it's the acreage of worktop that really impresses. There's good high and low-level storage, too, but just two small drawers. The fridge is a Dometic 8-Series with slightly underwhelming

96-litre capacity but the removable freezer section makes it more flexible.

Opposite, the washroom is light and bright with a large opening window and a separate shower. Then, the rear bedroom (with concertina privacy screen) completes the floorplan. The bed itself isn't large, at 1.84m by 1.30m, and its radius foot further reduces mattress size. The bed slides back to create a comfortable reclined relaxation space but when flat it leaves access on the offside especially tight. A smart new headboard and reading lights are pluses, and a mirror and TV point are at the opposite end of the bedroom.



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BASE VEHICLE Ford Transit

PRICE FROM £48,360

BERTHS 4

TRAVEL SEATS 2/4

LENGTH 7.34m

WIDTH 2.35m

HEIGHT 2.88m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD 500kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Benimar Tessoro 482

Rimor Evo 77 Plus



TRIBUTE is a brand-new range for this season and it's no longer related to the Imala (the next rung up the Auto-Trail ladder). Most significantly, the new line-up is based on the Ford Transit, which actually gives it a big plus over more expensive Auto-Trails (and many of its rivals).

Just facelifted, the latest Transit is not as prevalent in the leisure market as the Ducato/Boxer twins but can thousands upon thousands of white van drivers be wrong? We think not. The latest model has a much more modern fascia design than the Fiat, a lower (more car-like) seating position and rides our worn-out roads better thanks to its more absorbent, less crashy

suspension. Here, the standard 128bhp engine is smooth and adequately powerful, but you might be tempted to upgrade to the 168bhp unit as it's only £1,200 extra. Either engine can be mated to a six-speed automatic gearbox for £1,740.

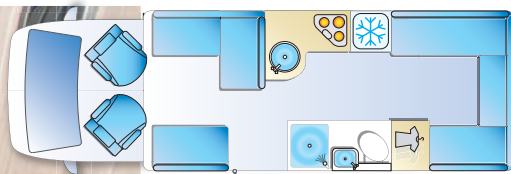
There are just four models in the new range and this is probably the most family-friendly layout (although you might also consider the similar-length F70 with its rear single beds and garage). As with any of the new Tributes, it's £825 more to have the version with rear seatbelts – here an L-shaped settee replaces the standard straight bench on the offside.

You'll probably want to add the electric drop-

down bed, too (that's £800). It comes down nice 'n' low (just 0.96m off the floor) and doesn't impede access through the habitation door when lowered because the mattress narrows towards the nearside. Bed measurements are 1.91m long by 1.22m wide (but only 0.87m at the foot).

The F72 layout is the British classic of lounges front and rear. The length is 7.34m (24ft in old money) and it's an every-driver-friendly 3,500kg gross weight. The body design is a neat low-profile





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WHO IS AUTO-TRAIL?



The first Tribute motorhomes were not Auto-Trails at all but were imported by it. Built in Italy from 2003, the Trigano Tribute arrived as a budget van conversion with a UK-style layout and a bargain £24,995 price tag. It then moved onto the X2/50-generation Fiat Ducato in 2007 but these later models lacked the impact of the originals.

Tribute coachbuilds – built in the UK by Auto-Trail – followed in 2010, based on the Ford Transit, but when the fourth-generation (or Mk 8) Transit arrived, Tribute coachbuilds switched to Fiat Ducato chassis.

Expansion of the Grimsby factory and a new focus on van conversions allowed production of the Tribute campervans to move to the UK, while from 2017 all Tributes became badged as Auto-Trails rather than a separate marque. The latest news is a whole new coachbuilt range (back on the latest Ford cab) for 2020.



with big overcab sunroof and a choice of seven cab colours (a non-metallic dark blue is standard).

Although there's no garage here, there are external hatches on either side into a space that goes the full width of the 'van under the sofa. Headroom inside the locker is 370mm. Further forward, the habitation door has a window, bin and flyscreen – or it does if you tick the box marked Lux Pack at £1,399 – but the entrance is quite high, so the electric external step is essential. That pack adds other goodies, such as a radio with sat-nav, reversing camera, solar panel, Omnivent and carpets.

Inside, the front lounge feels spacious because there's no fixed table – a free-standing unit (its top measuring 950mm by 580mm) stores in a bespoke locker next to the fridge and can be used in either lounge.

The cooler is a tall 142-litre unit mounted off the floor for convenient access. Adjacent, there's just enough worktop thanks to the triangular shape of the three-burner hob, while a Thetford Duplex oven/grill is also fitted.

Opposite the galley, it's a step up into the washroom, where you'll find a new square basin, adequate room on and around the loo, a decent

amount of storage and, most importantly, a separate shower. There's a roof vent over the toilet, but not the shower.

Alongside the bathroom is a double-doored wardrobe which reduces the length of the lounge on this side. The offside sofa is 1.59m long, compared with 1.12m on the nearside, so you might feel a bit hemmed in here with the table erected. Using this space for lounging and the front seating for dining probably makes most sense, while the end lounge also turns into a 2.11m-long double bed with the aid of caravan-style slats to fill in the centre.

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Bailey

Autograph 81-6

The longest and most family-friendly model in the third-generation Autograph



FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Peugeot Boxer Al-Ko

PRICE FROM £65,280

BERTHS 6

TRAVEL SEATS 6

LENGTH 8.12m

WIDTH 2.49m

HEIGHT 2.83m

GROSS WEIGHT 4,250kg

PAYLOAD 850kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Auto-Trail Apache 700

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BAILEY'S top-of-the-range Autograph is the company's best-selling motorhome line-up by a mile, so the arrival late last year of the third-generation version was big news.

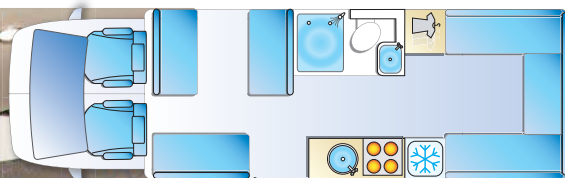
Still based on the Peugeot Boxer (but now in Euro 6d form), the new model gets a graphite-coloured cab, diamond-cut 16in alloy wheels and LED daytime running lights. Base vehicle spec has always been high, so you still get cab air-conditioning, cruise control, sat-nav, cab blinds and a DAB radio. The chassis is still from Al-Ko, too, although the new Autograph has a version with more ground clearance while retaining a low floor inside for better weight distribution and handling.

Externally, the Slate Grey side walls immediately differentiate the latest Autograph from its predecessors, while the overcab section has been redesigned and there's a new rear bumper with LED road lights and Audi-style sequential indicators. A new Thule awning and new Hartal exterior locker doors are fitted, while the door step now has a non-slip mat and grab handle.

Inside, there are new cab reading lights with USBs and a new décor scheme with Slate Grey worktops and tabletops and Cashmere gloss curved locker doors with a contrasting grey stripe. The new Farrington soft furnishings include four large scatter cushions.

The Autograph 81-6 seen here is the range's six-berth model and the only one with the swoopy roofline. It replaces the previous 79-6 and has grown from 7.98m long to 8.12m but the format remains the same – front pullman dinette with seatbelts on both the forward and rear-facing benches (so six travel seats), central kitchen and washroom, and a rear U-shaped lounge. As with previous Bailey motorhomes, the travel seats benefit from the lessons learned during the company's extensive crash-testing programme, carried out before the





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Bailey has 35 approved motorhome retailers around the UK, including Dyce Caravans (Aberdeen), Perthshire Caravans & Motorhomes (Perth) and Dumfries Caravans in Scotland, and Hagans Motorhomes (County Antrim) in Northern Ireland. In Wales, Bailey is represented by Spinney Flintshire and Continental Leisure Vehicles (Carmarthenshire).



There are also a further 14 approved service centres for Bailey motorhomes around Britain.

WHO IS BAILEY?

The first Bailey caravan was built in 1947 – and sold for £200. The company moved to its Liberty Lane site in Bristol, where it's still based, in 1960 and it has been owned by the Howard family since 1977. Although well-established as one of the UK's foremost caravan makers, it didn't enter the motorhome market until 2011 with the first Autograph models using the Alu-Tech construction system originally developed for its touring caravans.



Today, the company employs over 500 people and manufactures 6,500 caravans and motorhomes per annum. Its motorhome range includes Advance, Alliance and Autograph ranges, all based on Peugeot Boxer cabs with lowline Al-Ko chassis.



company entered the market.

The rear lounge on the latest model now feels very spacious and comes with corner JVC speakers, reading lamps and USBs, although the rooflight overhead is only a mid-sized unit. We particularly like the new corner headrests here but the big news is that the end lounge can now make into a huge 2.05m by 1.84m double bed (Bailey's figures), so sleeping lengthways in twin single beds becomes an option for many customers.

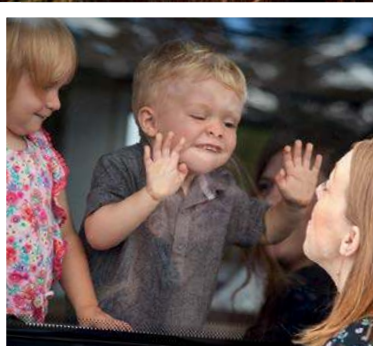
Up front, the seats are not as bolt upright as some and automotive-style head restraints are included. The table is removable (safer for travel)

and the windows have padded surrounds. With the side settee and (higher) swivel passenger cab chair included, this front seating area could easily seat seven. There's no overcab sunroof on this layout, though, and the drop-down bed (2.11m by 1.37m according to its maker) precludes a rooflight over the lounge. However, it's the provision of two very spacious seating areas that is key to the 81-6's appeal.

The kitchen, to the rear of the habitation door on the nearside, is well-appointed with a Thetford Caprice cooker with oven, grill, three gas burners and a mains hotplate. There's an 800W Russell

Hobbs microwave above, too. The new 153-litre fridge/freezer is a Dometic 10-Series with universal-handled door mechanism, so you can open it from either side. The sink is a new round stainless-steel unit with concealed fixings, swan-neck mixer tap, washing-up bowl and removable drainer but more notable is the solid cover (rather than glass) over the hob, which will provide useful extra preparation space – especially if you're feeding six.

The washroom has a separate shower with twin drains, while a new basin is inset into the generous countertop. An opening window is fitted here but the only storage is in a top locker.



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Benimar

Primero 331

French bed layouts in under 6m are rare, but add an overcab bed and you're into the scarcity of rocking horse droppings...



FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Fiat Ducato

PRICE FROM £48,995

BERTHS 4

TRAVEL SEATS 4

LENGTH 5.99m

WIDTH 2.30m

HEIGHT 3.05m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg
(3,650kg option)

PAYLOAD 640kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Rimor Seal 3

Sun Living A60SP



WITH so many motorhome ranges offering lookalike layouts, often centred around twin single beds or an island double, it's good to find a variation from the norm. Equally refreshing, here, is to find that overcab coachbuilds are not dead – the type still has its advantages and this maker from the Iberian Peninsula offers them in its entry-level Primero line-up.

The five-model Primero range includes both low-profiles (2-Series) and overcabs (3-Series), all based on the Fiat Ducato with the latest 140bhp Euro 6d engine and all, crucially, measuring just 5.99m long. The overcab models are the 301 (with

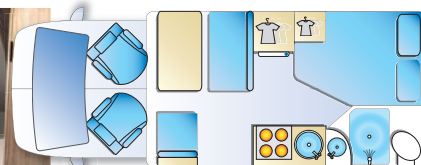
a transverse double bed at the back), the 331 (with a French bed) and new-for-2020, the 313 (with transverse rear bunk beds).

You can easily tell the Primero from the more expensive Mileo range by its unpainted, black front bumper but alloy wheels are a surprise addition to the 2020 spec. Crucially, you also get a body that's 99% wood-free in its construction and insulated to the Grade III standard, while the vehicles are NCC approved and to a full UK specification (with the habitation door on our nearside). But, while a 2020 Mileo will set you back at least £54,995, a brand-new Primero 331 starts at £48,995. In fact, all but one of the

Primero range wears the same screen price – usefully under £50k.

Importantly, you don't have to worry about expensive packs inflating the cost – the only extra cost options here are the new Fiat automatic gearbox (a hefty £3,000 extra) and a towbar (at £1,350). A 3,650kg chassis is also available – at no extra charge – but, as the standard model has a fairly generous payload of 640kg, most people will prefer to stay on a licence-friendly 3.5-tonne chassis.





BUY A BENIMAR FROM...

The Benimar brand is sold throughout the Marquis network, with its 13 outlets covering most of England – from Golden Cross (Sussex), Poole, Plymouth and now Exeter in the south to Preston and County Durham in the north.



In Scotland, Benimars are sold through Marquis' partners, The Motorhome Company, in Perthshire, while in Northern Ireland Camper NI has been appointed.

The Benimar range imported by Marquis has specification and layouts that have been developed especially for the UK, including placing the habitation door on the British nearside.

WHO IS BENIMAR?

This Spanish maker developed a strong following here in the late 1990s and early 2000s based on great value for money, primarily with its Europe and Europe Top overcab coachbuilds. It then disappeared from the UK scene, before being reintroduced by Marquis in 2014, firstly with Mileo low-profiles on Fiat.



The Mileo range has grown to include a wider choice of layouts as well as overcab coachbuilds, while Tessoro low-profiles added Ford-based models to the line-up. Entry-level Primero coachbuilds on Fiat and a pair of Benivan van conversions followed, the latter actually built in the UK by Auto-Trail.

Benimar is owned by the French Trigano Group, which also encompasses manufacturers including Adria, Auto-Sleepers, Auto-Trail, Chausson, Mobilvetta and Roller Team, as well as major retailer (and Benimar importer), Marquis. Trigano has vowed to take 50% of the UK motorhome market.

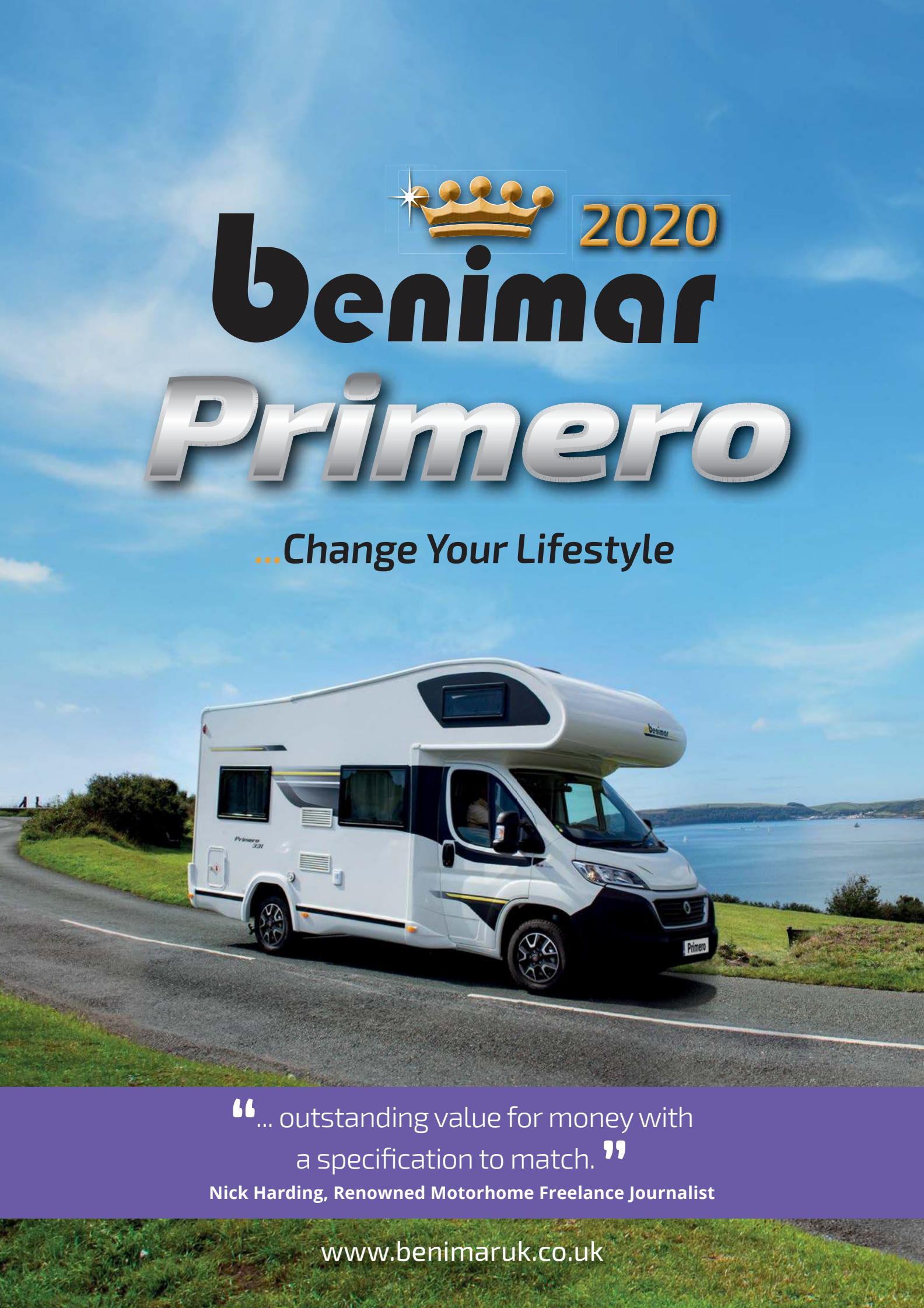


And, despite this Primero's diminutive length, you could consider using it as a four-berth on a regular basis. There are four travel seats, of course, thanks to the half-dinette-style lounge but it's the overcab bed that really makes a difference. Here's an instant, always-available double (which the brochure says is a mightily generous 2.05m by 1.55m) that comes with lighting, a roof vent and an opening window. And, when it's occupied, you haven't lost your lounge, so you can pop the kids up there – in their own 'den' – and still relax down below.

When it comes to mum and dad's bedtime, the French bed (that's a lengthways double alongside a wall) positioned here at the offside rear is a decent size and, again, requires no bed-making. Claimed measurements this time are a more modest 1.90m by 1.36m but neither the overhanging (second) wardrobe at the foot, nor the usual tapering bed width, will compromise comfort significantly.

Obviously, the Primero cannot match the fullness of the Mileo's specification, but neither is this a motorhome offering Soviet Gulag levels of luxury. There's no sat-nav or fitted microwave here, but everything you really need is standard.

On the base vehicle that includes driver and passenger airbags, air-conditioning, cruise control, ESP, electric mirrors and the wider rear axle of the Camper-spec chassis. Then, in the living area, you benefit from generous water tank capacities (120 litres fresh, 105 litres waste), framed windows, 6kW gas/electric heating, dual-fuel hob and a combined oven/grill. Only the fridge capacity – 80 litres – seems a bit 'back to basics'. The glasses cabinet and concealed bottle rack behind the small inward-facing seat in the lounge are unexpected touches in an entry-level model.

A white Benimar motorhome is parked on a paved road that curves along a grassy cliff overlooking a blue sea. The sky is bright blue with some light clouds. The motorhome has a high roof and large windows. The Benimar logo is visible on the side and front.

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Büirstner

Lyseo TD Harmony Line 744

This facelifted low-profile comes with a spacious twin-lounge layout

BÜIRSTNER'S Lyseo TD Harmony Line range has been updated for the 2020 season after three successful years. Originally, it was introduced as a mid-priced low-profile range with a technical double floor – something Büirstner saw as a gap in the market.

The facelifted version gets new hybrid tail-lights, improved interior lighting (such as under the drop-down beds), a completely redesigned kitchen with new illuminated accessories board and a new oven, and Vario blinds in the bedrooms. Other innovative details include new beakers with magnetic bases and the Homelight, which can be used as a rechargeable torch or a lamp inside the 'van or outside.

The revised range encompasses 10 models, from 5.99m in length up to 7.49m. As well as island bed and single bed floorplans, there are models without a fixed bed, including this 744. Here is a German luxury 'van featuring an Anglicised layout. It's a four-berth model with four belted travel seats and comes on a 4,250kg chassis as standard, so there's no shortage of payload.

The first seating area is the typical continental half-dinette up front. There's a wall-mounted table here with an extension leaf so that it can be reached from the swivel driver's seat. Scatter cushions and Roman blinds add a touch of style, while directionally adjustable reading lights are sited over the table. There's no window behind the offside single seat but deep glazing is fitted to the extra-wide habitation door. You'll also see stylised lighting in the base of the drop-down bed here, while glasses store in a cabinet by the entrance.

The front drop-down bed (an option) measures 1.98m by 1.30m (max – it's widest in the middle) and has a rooflight above. It obstructs the door when lowered.

Think of the front of the 'van as the dining area and the rear as the lounge – and the 744's star feature. This is not a UK-style U-shaped seating area, though, but an L-settee with a low sideboard adjacent. There's a TV station here and armrests and scatter cushions enhance comfort. Above, the electric drop-down bed measures 1.96m by 1.51m. Meanwhile, outside there's a useful external locker running under the rear settee – it's a good space for your outdoor camping furniture.

In the centre of the motorhome, on the nearside, is an L-shaped galley, the most notable feature of which is the rotating worktop cover over the sink – it's such a neat way of providing more preparation space that we can't help wondering why it's not been done before! The rest of the kitchen spec includes a three-burners-in-line hob, four drawers (one including a bin), a rail and hooks for tea towels or cooking implements, and a 151-litre tall/slim fridge with automatic energy selection. Over the fridge is the oven, while the wardrobe is alongside.

The Harmony Line specification lives up to the near-£70k price tag, with a silver cab and flush-fit habitation windows, plus 16in alloy wheels and a 4.5m awning. A 100W solar panel is also standard, as is a multimedia system with sat-nav and reversing camera. Further fittings include upholstery with embroidered logos, central locking on the XL habitation door and cab blinds.

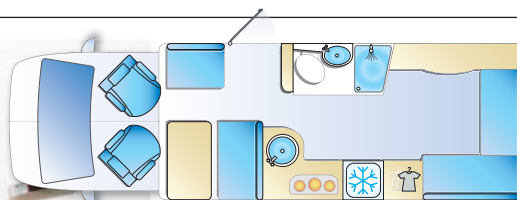


WHO IS BÜIRSTNER?

Büirstner, based in Kehl in Germany and just across the border at Wissembourg in France, built its first caravan back in 1958 and was restructured into the Erwin Hymer Group 40 years later. It opened an impressive Customer Service Centre at its German factory in 2004 and, in 2006, unveiled the sensational Renault-based MegaVan, which arguably started the whole genre of low-profile motorhomes with drop-down beds.

Today, it continues to push the design boundaries and its 2017 Harmony concept inspired some of the design features of the new Harmony Line range. It is also one of the most successful importers of motorhomes into the UK, with the Harmony Line range taking top billing over here.





FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Fiat Ducato

PRICE FROM £68,995

BERTHS 4

TRAVEL SEATS 4

LENGTH 7.49m

WIDTH 2.30m

HEIGHT 2.95m

GROSS WEIGHT 4,250kg

PAYLOAD 980kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Benimar Mileo 282

Chausson 711 Travel Line

BUY A BÜRSTNER FROM...

This Erwin Hymer Group brand has 17 dealers around the UK, including Thompson Leisure in Northern Ireland, Perthshire Caravans in Scotland and Newport Caravans in Wales. In England, outlets range from Leisure World Tyneside as the furthest north down to Southdowns Motorhome Centre in Hampshire as the most southerly, while Chelston Motorhomes is the most westerly and Becks Motorhomes resides in East Anglia.



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Chausson

C717GA

The largest of three overcab models in the 2020 range from this leading French brand



FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Fiat Ducato

PRICE FROM £53,290

BERTHS 5

TRAVEL SEATS 5

LENGTH 7.46m

WIDTH 2.35m

HEIGHT 3.06m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD 451kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Rimor Seal 695

CHAUSSON has made a name for itself with the innovative design of some of its low-profile motorhomes, but for 2020 there are also three overcab coachbuilds in the range. These C-prefixed models (*capucine* is the French for overcab) are the compact Ford-based C514, the Fiat-based bunk bed C656 and this garage model C717GA, which is the longest of the three at 7.46m.

Basis for this 'van is, predictably enough, a Euro 6d Fiat Ducato with the 120bhp engine as standard. With such a tall, bulbous shape to push through the air, you might want an engine upgrade to at least 140bhp. It's a 3,500kg gross

weight, too, resulting in a payload of 451kg – again, you'll want to investigate upping this if you plan on making full use of the C717GA's garage and five berths.

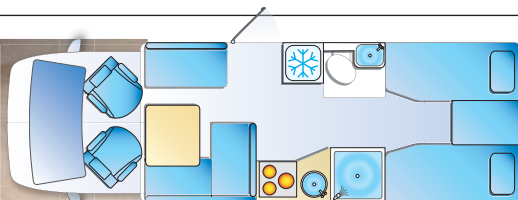
This is a true five-person motorhome, with beds and seatbelts for a quintet at no extra cost. The beds are a double in the luton, a single made up from the lounge seats and twin beds in the stern where you might have expected to see a transverse double. Importantly, all five travel seats face the direction of travel here, too, so there's no short straw or naughty step for one offspring



who then has to face backwards. Instead, under the double side-facing bench on the offside you'll find a hinge-up backrest and head restraint, turning this seat from sofa into single forward-facing chair.

It may do the external aesthetics (and its aerodynamics) no favours, but the size of the Chausson's overcab makes it a proper adult





BUY A CHAUSSON FROM...

Chausson has 14 dealers around the UK. Central Motorhomes represents the French brand in Northern Ireland, while Knowepark Caravans is the retailer for Scotland and 3A's Motorhomes is the dealer for Wales.



In England, Chausson has dealers as far north as Tyne Valley (Newcastle), as far south as Premier Motorhomes & Leisure (Chichester), as far west as Highbridge Caravan Centre (Somerset) and as far east as Simpsons Motorhomes (Great Yarmouth).

For those heading off on a grand tour, it's also reassuring to know that Chausson has dealers all over Europe, including Sweden, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Bulgaria and Greece, although none are listed on the Iberian Peninsula.

WHO IS CHAUSSON?

CHAUSSON

Chausson motorhomes are built by Trigano VDL with its main factory in the picturesque Ardèche region of France. One of the largest leisure vehicle factories in Europe, this site also manufactures the Challenger brand (which is not sold here).

Chausson has been represented here since 2003 and the UK is the marque's second-largest export market. Based on good-value pricing and innovative designs, the company has also become the best-selling imported retail brand in Britain.

The 2020-season range includes overcab coachbuilds and 33 Line van conversions, but the bulk of its line-up is low-profiles – all bar the 711 Travel Line available on either Ford Transit or Fiat Ducato. The Flash and Welcome names have been dropped this season but standard models can be upgraded with a VIP Pack or further enhanced by adding the Premium Pack.



bedroom. The bed itself is 1.99m by 1.53m and there are storage pockets and USBs at the head of the mattress (on the nearside). There's a roof vent as well as an opening window here and the bed base folds up to ease access to the cab during the day.

At night, the rear bedroom also promises comfortable sleeping, with the beds measuring 1.94m by 0.88m on the offside and 1.96m by 0.88m on the nearside. There are his and hers wardrobes under the beds and a sliding door closes off the bedroom area. It's also possible to add a slot-in panel with integral foot-hole (for

the clamber up) to turn the single beds into a huge double, measuring 2.11m by 1.94m.

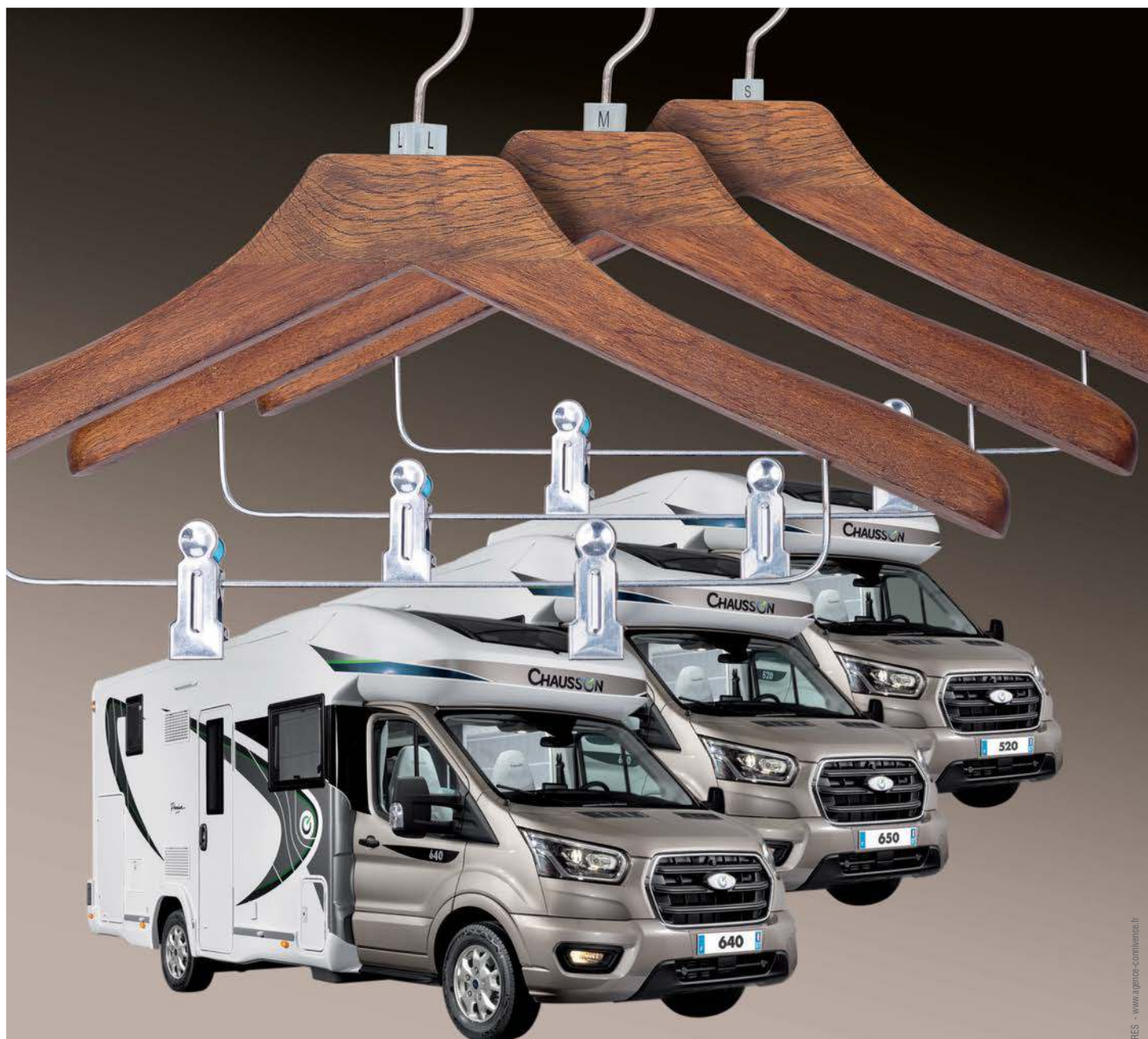
At the foot of the beds is the en suite washroom with shower on the nearside and toilet opposite, plus the usual facility to turn this into a comprehensive bathroom across the full width of the 'van.

The kitchen area is quite small for such a big family motorhome but the UK spec does include a Triplex cooker with mains hotplate and combined oven/grill. A loose glass cover for the sink creates a little preparation space but the best feature here is the 142-litre AES Thetford fridge

on the opposite side of the 'van.

But while the galley is petite, the lounge is big enough for *entente cordiale* on tour. And there's more to like here, such as a 63.5mm thick floor (much better than the industry norm), 6kW diesel-fired heating that can be used while you drive and a large heated garage (0.90m wide, 1.15m headroom with twin loading doors).

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Dreamer

Camper Five

A Fiat van conversion with five berths and five seatbelts. *Sacré bleu!*

DUCATO-SIZED van conversions with four berths are much less common than their two-berth equivalents, although there are twin lounge and bunk bed models to suit families if you look harder. In fact, we reviewed Dreamer's double bunk D53 last month and the company's Family Van and Camper Van XL models also cater for couples with kids. But what if you didn't stop at two offspring? Well, then your options are almost exclusively coachbuilt or a bespoke build. Until now...

Dreamer's new Camper Five – shouldn't that be *Camper Cinq*? – is the first five-berth in this sector. It has a new layout for a campervan that takes inspiration from the A-class models of sister brand, Itineo. It's based on the 6.36m extra-long Ducato in its tallest derivative, with the extra height there to allow sufficient headroom for a drop-down bed over the lounge. This 1.83m by 1.27m double bed is easy to operate. It doesn't require any adjustment to the lounge before lowering and it offers mum and dad a comfortable Bultex mattress and sufficient headroom.

Of course, this front bed is a proven design that already features in other Dreamer models; what's new here is the arrangement at the rear. Not only are there bunk beds across the back (1.74m by 0.69m at the top, 1.85m by 0.70m below) but there's a separate kids' seating area with a pair of inward-facing seats and central table which can be converted into the fifth berth. And don't think that this lounge has primary school-style seats, it's fully adult-sized for two.

The bunk beds will cater for older children, too, with each bed having plenty of headroom and a reading light. The windows in the back doors open for ventilation and there's a roof vent, too, while USBs under the table cater for phones and tablets.

If you want to gather the clan together, the lounge is a good size with swivel cab seats, a true L-shaped settee (in which it's comfortable to face the sliding door) and an extra backless seat by the entrance (from which you can't easily reach the table). Remove the cushion here and add a clip-in seat with lap belt and the fifth travel seat (rear-facing) is ready for use.

The kitchen, aft of the sliding door on the offside, includes a combined hob/sink unit and three extra-large drawers, although storage will be reduced if you order the optional oven. You'll never be short of space for fresh nosh, though, as there's a 135-litre AES fridge/freezer on the nearside (and a big cupboard above that is ideal for cereal packets, etc).

Also on the nearside is the washroom, with tambour door access. There's a stylish new design of basin here, the latest swivel loo, good worktop space, neat storage recesses in the wall and vast headroom (2.10m)!

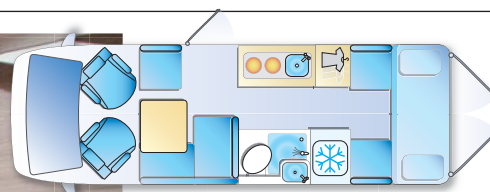
The Fun + Pack completes the spec (for an extra £1,750), adding a 140bhp engine upgrade, cab air-con, cruise control, body colour front bumper, ESC and ASR, height-adjustable cab seats with armrests, passenger airbag, flyscreen door, cab blinds, electric step, Pioneer radio, Truma Combi 4 diesel heating and a second leisure battery.



BUY A DREAMER FROM...

Dreamer is well represented across continental Europe but its retailers are more spread out on this side of *La Manche*. In the southwest you'll find Dreamer at Highbridge (in Somerset) and in the southeast the dealers are Wokingham Motorhomes (Berkshire) and Harbour Creek (Hayling Island). Newest addition to the network is Oakwell Motorhomes in Barnsley, while Dreamer also has an outlet in Northern Ireland (Thompson Leisure).





FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Fiat Ducato

PRICE FROM £48,500

BERTHS 5

TRAVEL SEATS 5

LENGTH 6.36m

WIDTH 2.05m

HEIGHT 2.88m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD 436kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Buying a four-berth and leaving one of your kids at home!

WHO IS DREAMER?



For the origins of Dreamer (a brand launched in 2014) you have to look to the Campérève marque, which was acquired by Rapido. This long-established van conversion specialist's name is a French play on words, joining 'camper' and 'rêve' (meaning dream). Campérève models (basically the same as Dreamer's Select range) are still sold in France but the brand was considered a bit of a mouthful for non-French speakers.

Dreamer's range is split into Fun models and more upmarket Select campers, with all but the Cap Land based on Fiat Ducato. Innovative layouts include the Family Van and equally family-friendly Camper Van XL.

Parent company, Rapido, is a major player in the van conversion sector, offering not only Dreamer and Campérève but its own Rapido Van range, the prestige German marque, Westfalia, as well as UK firm, WildAx, and Stylevan, a French brand not yet sold here.



Hymer

Exsis-i 580 Pure

A more affordable Hymer, thanks to its Citroën chassis

HYMER offers a wide range of van conversions, low-profiles and A-classes on Fiat and Mercedes. Here, though, is an Exsis based on the Citroën Jumper (usually called Relay here) – the lesser known sister to the Peugeot Boxer. It's the first Citroën-based Hymer to be offered outside France for many years and the reason it's here is price. The lower chassis cost, plus a package of standard kit with no options to change the spec, equal a customer saving of £11,310. That makes it a brand-new A-class for £70k.

The Exsis is a slimmer A-class (2.22m overall) and it's designed to be a 3,500kg model with a sensible payload. New this season is the 580, usually based on Fiat's low-frame chassis with wide rear track rather than the Al-Ko chassis of other Exsises (see February issue). And now there's also this 580 Pure, a limited edition 'van that swaps Fiat power for Citroën, with a 2.2-litre BlueHDi engine putting out 165bhp. It comes with cruise control, cab air-con, 16in alloy wheels, a leather steering wheel, reversing camera and 90-litre fuel tank – but it's manual only when it comes to changing gear.

Inside, the 580 Pure is just like the standard 580 with the same new furniture, which brings the Exsis' design up to date with its Sauvignon Oak finish. This is a younger-looking Hymer, as well as one that boasts 1.98m headroom (despite a low overall height). There are new features, too, such as the recess in the washroom wall that accommodates a 32in LED TV with DVD drive. That's just one of the Pure's tempting standard features, along with a 65cm satellite dish.

On site there's L-shaped seating facing the door as you enter, plus the Aguti swivel captain's chairs. The Citroën dashboard is neatly integrated into the wider A-class cab, while the drop-down bed above demonstrates Hymer's decades of A-class-building experience with its slick operation. A step in the lounge floor ensures a comfortable sitting height for all, while a deep window in the door and wind-up sunroof stop the area seeming gloomy.

The angled kitchen ensures a wide walkway through to the rear, while there are four soft-close drawers and also a full cooker with separate grill and oven. The décor mixes white high gloss with lots of grey and elements of pale wood – very contemporary. A 142-litre tall/slim fridge completes the galley spec.

The layout at the rear focuses on twin beds. The multi-zone cold foam mattresses are 1.88m and 1.90m long and the previous overhead lockers have been deleted, making it easier to sit up in bed. Under the bedroom is a garage with 1.19m headroom and carrying capacity of 350kg, while one wardrobe is located under the offside bed and there's a second one next to the fridge.

Finally, there's a one-piece washroom on the nearside with shower doors that pull around on a track in the ceiling rather than just unfolding. The shower tray with twin drains and neat storage cupboards with elasticated straps are further pluses of an excellent washroom.

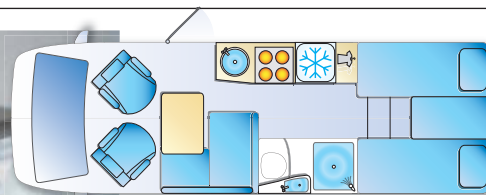
If the standard spec of this Exsis-i 580 Pure suits, then it looks like something of a bargain. And there's a low-profile Exsis-t version of the 580 Pure, too – at an even more tempting £60,020.



BUY A HYMER FROM...

Hymer has established a nationwide dealer network, ranging from Knowepark Caravans in Scotland down to Premier Motorhomes & Leisure and Southdowns Motorhome Centre on the south coast. Other outlets are Lowdhams (at both Huddersfield and Nottingham), Erwin Hymer Centre Travelworld (Stafford), Becks Motorhomes (Norfolk), Cranham Leisure Sales (Essex), and Highbridge Caravan Centre (Somerset). Of course, as one of Europe's premier motorhome marques, Hymer has retailers all over – from Russia to Portugal, as well as further afield. The EHG Group as a whole boasts over 1,200 dealers.





FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Citroën Jumper

PRICE FROM £70,080

BERTHS 4

TRAVEL SEATS 4

LENGTH 6.99m

WIDTH 2.22m

HEIGHT 2.77m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD 450kg (estimated)

ALSO CONSIDER

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WHO IS HYMER?

HYMER

Hymer is a German motorhome brand that has been represented in the UK longer than any of its compatriots. Famous for its B-Class models (which, confusingly, are A-class, or fully integrated, motorhomes), the latest range includes three categories of models (as well as a separate campervan range which used to be known as HymerCar).

The Comfort Plus Class models are Exsis-t and Exsis-i, plus the Mercedes-based T-Class S low-profiles. Next up is the Superior Class of ML-T (rear-wheel drive Merc low-profiles) and B-Class ModernComfort (B-MC, for short). Then, at the top of the tree, are the Luxury Class 'vans – B-Class SupremeLine (B-SL) and the latest addition, the MasterLine (B-ML).

Hymer is just one marque within the huge Erwin Hymer Group, which in turn is now owned by the USA's Thor Industries.



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Itineo

SB700

An affordable seven-metre A-class with a family floorplan – only from Itineo



ITINEO is a one-of-a-kind brand. It builds an almost entirely A-class range of motorhomes but, rather than priced into the stratosphere, these vehicles – ranging from 6.55m to 7.43m – are aimed at buyers of mainstream models around the £60k mark. Its vehicles, built in the Rapido factory in Mayenne, are distinctive in design and layouts cater not just for couples but families, too. It has two five-berths and one six-berth (this SB700) in its line-up, all with bunk beds – an extremely rare find in the rarefied world of A-class motorhomes.

The SB700 is a sub-7m model based on the Fiat Ducato. It's an established vehicle in Itineo's

range but with detail enhancements for 2020. You'll see new side and rear exterior striping, a new blue Itineo 'sail' logo, and 'by Rapido' branding to link to the better-known parent marque. Also added for this season are a skylight over the cab's drop-down bed and a large lengthways sunroof with four spotlights above the lounge.

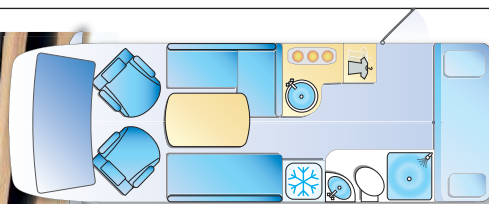
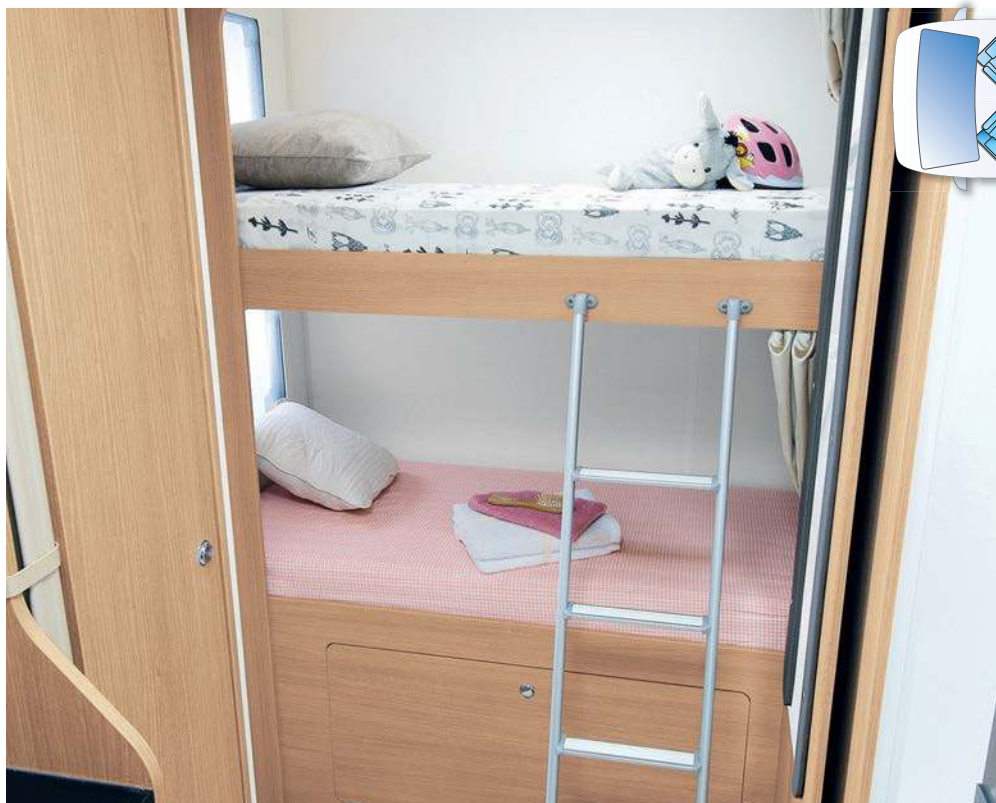
The interior ambience has been updated, too. A metallic glossy white finish now adorns the overhead cupboard doors, while Cappuccino TEP (leather-look) upholstery is a new option. Net curtains and carpets are also new this year, but a more important change is the adoption of



a simpler system to convert the nearside settee into travel seats. Armrests have also been added in the lounge.

The kitchen in the SB700 is centrally positioned on the offside, with a 150-litre two-door fridge/freezer located opposite (and a small oven/grill above, to suit the British market). A backlit acrylic strip has been introduced, while





BUY AN ITINEO FROM...

Itineo has representatives in both Scotland (Dicksons of Perth) and Northern Ireland (Thompson Leisure in County Down). The French maker also has three dealers in England: long-established Rapido Group retailer, Wokingham Motorhomes in the south; Brownhills' mega site in the Midlands; and, newest addition to the network, Oakwell Motorhomes in Barnsley.



WHO IS ITINEO?



Founded in 2007 as part of the Rapido Group, Itineo was established as an A-class specialist from the outset. Today, its 10 models are all built at the parent company's impressive Mayenne plant, but it also markets a pair of entry-level low-profiles on the Continent (which are built in Italy at the PLA factory and not sold here). Emphasizing the family link, 2020 models are badged 'by Rapido'.

The A-class range starts with the 6.55m-long FC650 and includes three 6.99m models, with the remainder being 7.43m overall. Family layouts are a key part of the range with two bunk bed layouts being popular in the line-up.



FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Fiat Ducato

PRICE FROM £59,445

BERTHS 6

TRAVEL SEATS 6

LENGTH 6.99m

WIDTH 2.35m

HEIGHT 2.94m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD 531kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Itineo SLB700

Itineo SB740

the galley design also gets a new laminate worktop, gloss white handleless drawer fronts and a smooth finish for the sink.

Greater changes concern the bathroom, which has been completely redeveloped. Sited opposite the kitchen, on the nearside, and including a separate shower, the ablutions space gets a stylish new thermoformed round basin with backlit storage alcove below. The upper locker has a mirror and a 230V socket is provided.

The key feature of the SB700, though, remains its transverse rear bunk beds – at 2.17m by 0.73m (manufacturer's figures) these aren't just

for kids! Mum and dad will probably still opt for the drop-down bed in the cab, though, which is 1.90m by 1.40m. And if you're travelling with the full complement of six folk, the lounge also converts into a transverse bed (2.00m by 1.35m), although you'll have to clamber over this to get to the front berths.

If it's family-sized storage you're after, the lower bunk bed can be folded up to create a garage with large loading door on the offside. If you need more payload, the Ducato chassis can be upgraded to a Heavy version, while the standard 140bhp engine can be optioned up to

either 160 or 178bhp from the standard 140bhp.

One option that you won't want to go without is the Pack Life, a feature that's likely to be fitted to every new Itineo. It comes with manual cab air-conditioning, ESC with ASR, hill start assistance, cruise control, a Pioneer radio with Bluetooth, heated exterior mirrors, a habitation door with window and flyscreen, LED daytime running lights and a reversing camera with 7in display.

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Rapido

8086dF

With a new washroom and double separation from bedroom and living area, the 8086dF is updated for 2020

RAPIDO'S range is now dominated by A-classes – 20 of the 28 models in the portfolio. These start with the 8F series, before moving up to the 80dF line-up which benefit from an Al-Ko chassis (rather than Fiat frame) and a storage double floor. There are five 80dF models, including one that's been updated for the 2020 season – this 8086dF.

The full-width storage double floor has external hatches which are ideal for outdoor tables and chairs. It also boasts all the advantages of a technical double floor, including an inboard water tank and a flat floor throughout the living area. The storage space is also heated and illuminated, while freeing up capacity inside as all the technical equipment is out of the way. Lowering the centre of gravity is also great for stability.

So, what's new about this season's 8086dF? For a start there's an improved seat conversion requiring no additional items to convert side settees into travel seats. There's a longer bench on the nearside, too.

Also new is the double separation – bathroom-to-bedroom and bathroom-to-kitchen/lounge – which customers expect in a motorhome of this price/size.

Then there are changes across the 80dF range, including some mods that apply to other Rapidos, too, such as the new-look Elegance furniture (it's the more contemporary Castello option here). An illuminated step well has been added and there's improved lighting in the garage, while a novelty is the improved heat distribution made possible by a heated table leg.

Tables and worktops get a new mineral-style finish and, of course, there are the latest Fiat engines.

As ever, the Select Pack is a must-have, adding lots more gear for UK buyers – a rear view camera, Kenwood multimedia unit, passenger airbag, cruise control, ESC and ASR, Traction Plus with Hill Descent Control, electric mirrors, height-adjustable cab seats, cab door with two-point locking, rear speakers, cooker hood with LEDs, automatic gas changeover, a windscreen blind that operates two ways – up/down (sunshade) and down/up (privacy screen) – and a habitation door with window, bin and flyscreen.

Other features include a garage with 230V socket, tie-down points and an electrically height-adjustable bed above, which increases the locker's headroom by 30cm. Maximum weight in here is 150kg, while the bed itself is 1.91m by 1.56m and it slides back for daytime relaxation. Even in night-time mode the bedroom offers more changing space than in some 7.5m rivals, while the en suite has a roomy shower with great headroom and sensible bathroom storage.

The kitchen includes an oven (not shown here), while RHD models also get a leather steering wheel with radio controls, front foglamps, carpets, a folding table in the lounge, Combi 6EH gas/electric heating, a second leisure battery, rear corner steadies, external shower, double lens bus-style mirrors and three burners (rather than two) for the hob. It adds up to a very comprehensive spec.

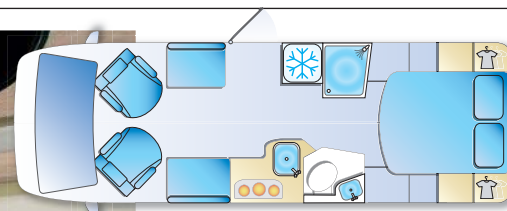


WHO IS RAPIDO?



Founded as a maker of folding caravans in 1961, Rapido's first motorhome was launched in 1983. Since then, the company has expanded to become a wider group of leisure vehicle makers, including Fleurette (from 2005), Itineo (2006), Campérève (2009), Westfalia (2010), Dreamer (2014), PLA and GiottiLine (2016) and WildAx and Stylevan in 2017. However, despite such huge expansion this remains a family business, with the third generation of the Rousseau clan, Nicolas, joining his father in the business in 2014.

The home of Rapido remains Mayenne in northern France, where Itineo, Dreamer and Rapido models are built.



FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Fiat Ducato

PRICE FROM £75,100

BERTHS 4

TRAVEL SEATS 4

LENGTH 7.20m

WIDTH 2.35m

HEIGHT 2.89m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg (3,650kg option or 4,400kg on Heavy chassis)

PAYLOAD 415kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Adria Sonic Supreme 710 DC

Bürstner Ixeo I 736

BUY A RAPIDO FROM...

In Ireland Rapido has dealers north and south of the border – Thompson Leisure in County Down and Cara Motorhomes in County Limerick.



In England there are five outlets representing the brand – Spinney (Knutsford) and Brownhills (Newark) look after the Midlands and north, while Simpsons is in East Anglia, Highbridge covers the southwest and the company's original dealer, Wokingham Motorhomes, is in Berkshire.



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Rimor

Evo Sound

The new Ford-based Evo range includes a bunk bed model for larger families



FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Ford Transit

PRICE FROM £49,130

BERTHS 7

TRAVEL SEATS 7

LENGTH 6.97m

WIDTH 2.30m

HEIGHT 3.04m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD TBC

ALSO CONSIDER

Chausson C656

Roller Team Zefiro 675

Words Kevin Hughes

ALTHOUGH now one of the rarer layouts in the motorhome market (except perhaps amongst Italian brands), there's clearly still a call for bunk beds, especially for larger families (and hire fleets). After all, there's a touch of novelty about bunk beds still – and that all-important decision of who sleeps on the top bunk and who settles for the bottom one – that evokes happy memories of childhood holidays for many of us.

The Evo Sound, from Italian manufacturer and Trigano Group brand, Rimor, is a member of a limited range of family-specific motorhomes offering fixed bunks to the rear. However, it's not

just the kids – or grandkids – who can sleep soundly in this model.

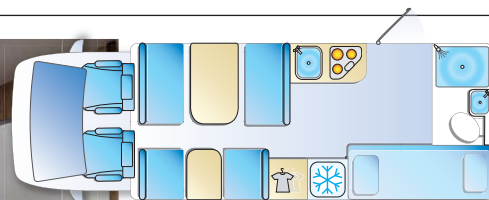
This is a seven-berth motorhome and so will certainly appeal to larger families and people who travel with friends. Yet, although highly suitable for extended families, this overcab coachbuilt could hardly be considered a big motorhome, at less than 7m in length (6.97m in total). Aside from those rear bunks, those beds aren't fixed so the grown-ups have the option of getting the kids tucked in and comfy before relaxing in the living area.

When it's time to retire for the night, there's a double bed over the cab (measuring 2.20m by

1.43m according to its maker), while the settees in the front lounge convert to a second double (1.88m by 1.29m). That's sleeping for six ticked off, and if you need room for one more, the seating opposite that large settee/double bed converts to a single bed, albeit a small one (1.59m by 0.66m). You'll need to get out your calculator to ensure there's enough payload for you and your offspring, though, if you plan to use all seven berths.

The washroom, with basin and swivel cassette toilet, is located at the rear of the layout, beside the bunk beds, and there's a separate shower





BUY A RIMOR FROM...

Motorhomes and Caravans of Hull is the established importer for this Italian brand and you'll see it at both indoor and outdoor motorhome shows enthusiastically waving the flag for this Italian maker.



Also representing the Rimor range is a small selection of dealers. These include Thompson Leisure in Northern Ireland, Pat Horan Motors in Eire and Motorhome Sales Scotland, near Glasgow. In England, Rimors can also be found at Bongo Holidays (Peterborough), DG Motorhomes (Lincolnshire), Yourstyle Leisure (Cheshire) and Atlantic Caravans (Cornwall).

WHO IS RIMOR?

RIMOR

Formed in 1978, Rimor offers a wide range of overcab coachbuilds and low-profile motorhomes, as well as typically continental van conversions. It specialises in the entry-level sector (though it reaches up into mid-priced models, too) and seems particularly adept at family layouts, as well as ultra-keen pricing.

On the base vehicle front, the Renault Master is replaced by the Ford Transit for 2020, as an alternative to the ubiquitous Fiat Ducato.

In 2015 the marque was acquired by the French-owned Trigano Group, which already had a number of other Italian brands – including Arca, Ci, McLouis, Mobilvetta and Roller Team.



cubicle included in this room. An opaque opening window is fitted here, along with a mirror-fronted top locker.

The kitchen has a three-burner hob, oven and sink, plus drawer storage, though you might find worktop capacity limited. With this in mind, the lid over the hob should prove useful in giving space for food preparation, as well as protecting the appliance when not in use.

The curved edge of the kitchen unit is a pleasant design feature, as is the soft-close function – no accidental slamming of drawers and cupboard doors is always welcome. Opposite, there's a 141-

litre fridge with a freezer compartment.

Living area specification also includes interior LED lighting and a Truma Combi 4 blown-air heating/boiler unit.

In common with other members of the new-for-2020 Evo range, the Sound's base vehicle is the latest Euro 6d Ford Transit, whose key features here include ABS, ESP, ASR, hill start assist, cruise control, electric mirrors, stop/start technology and cab air-conditioning. The standard engine is a 2-litre 128bhp (130PS) diesel, but an upgrade to 168bhp (170PS) is available. Ford's excellent torque converter

automatic gearbox with six speeds is also optional at extra cost.

Rimor's UK importer, M and C in Hull, is currently offering the Evo Sound with a special Diamond Pack and this will continue throughout the 2020 season. The pack includes a solar panel, dash cam, reversing camera, Thatcham Category 1 alarm system, flyscreen door, front seat covers, entrance door window and bed protection nets.

At time of writing, M and C was also offering to pay the first year's VED (in view of the recent tax hike), making this well-priced family motorhome even more appealing.

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Zefiro Sport

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FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Ford Transit

PRICE FROM £50,505

BERTHS 4

TRAVEL SEATS 5

LENGTH 7.45m

WIDTH 2.35m

HEIGHT 3.20m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD 455kg

ALSO CONSIDER

A specialist van conversion, such as from McLaren Sports Homes

Is your family into karting, quad-biking, motor sport, rafting or anything else that requires a LOT of storage? If so, the newest addition to the Italian-built Roller Team range looks just right for you.

The aptly entitled Sport is part of the Zefiro range and based on the Ford Transit but, unlike other models in this line-up, retains a habitation door on the continental side, reflecting its niche appeal.

Let's cut to the chase, though, because this overcab coachbuilt motorhome is all about its garage. It's a space that's 1.27m wide and has huge twin loading doors each measuring 1.29m by 1.34m – plus access from inside the 'van, too.

Inside, there's a shower point to hose down whatever sports gear you're carrying and the already vast headroom (1.44m) can be increased still further (up to 1.87m) by raising the bed above electrically. Production models will also get drain holes in the garage floor and a removable rubber floor protector. Put simply, you won't find a bigger garage on any normal-sized coachbuilt motorhome. Do be aware of the payload, though, which is not as generous as you might hope.

Basis is the latest (recently facelifted) Ford Transit with 130bhp Euro 6d engine. An automatic gearbox is available but no engine upgrade. The essential Drivers Pack (£1,250)



adds cab air-conditioning, cruise control, radio with Bluetooth, passenger airbag and electric/heated mirrors.

The motorhome body uses Roller Team's EXPS Evo construction with Styrofoam insulation, a wood-free structure and a floor with upper and lower glass-fibre layers. The latest models also get soft material between





BUY A ROLLER TEAM FROM...

Roller Team has a more extensive UK dealer network than most other imported brands, with 19 outlets. In Northern Ireland it is represented by Abbey Caravans & Leisure, while in Scotland its retailer is Dicksons of Perth and in Wales it has Threeways Motorhomes (Abergele) and Continental Leisure Vehicles (Llanelli). In England you'll find Roller Team 'vans as far north as Tyneside Leisure World (Birtley), as far southwest as Alan Kerr (Paignton) and as far southeast as JC Leisure (Rye).



WHO IS ROLLER TEAM?



Roller Team is the sister brand to CI, once a popular marque in the UK but now no longer represented here. To reduce confusion and create a more focused dealer network, Auto-Trail (the British importer) concentrates solely on Roller Team.

This Italian marque is said to be the largest imported brand of motorhomes in the UK in terms of new registrations and is part of the Trigano Group. It is best-known for its entry-level coachbuilts but added A-classes to the line-up in 2016 and van conversions (built in the UK by Auto-Trail) in 2019.



internal furniture and outer body connections to reduce on-road noises.

This is also a very tall motorhome, with an extra-large luton – and an even bigger bed over the rear garage. The front bed measures 2.12m by 1.59m with maximum headroom of 0.69m. There's a window on the offside, plus a small light on the nearside, while the mattress tips up on gas struts to aid the walk-through to the cab.

At the opposite end of the motorhome, you'll again need a ladder to reach your sleeping quarters (the bed is 1.44m off the floor) but with a mattress (on a slatted base) measuring 2.16m across by

1.86m front to rear most owners will be able to choose which way round they sleep. A roof vent and small rear window are fitted in this bedroom.

The rest of the layout consists of a front lounge, nearside L-shaped kitchen and offside washroom. The seating area includes swivel cab seats, an L-settee on the nearside and an inward-facing bench for one (or perhaps two kids) on the offside. The side settee can be converted into a rear-facing travel seat with lap belt. Net curtains give a European flavour to the seating area, while the whole interior has a bold, rather monochrome feel.

That's continued in the kitchen, with its white worktop and black splashback. A three-burner gas hob is complemented by a Thetford Duplex oven/grill for cooking, while alongside is a capacious 141-litre AES fridge/freezer with separate bottle drawer below.

The bathroom may be all in one unit, but it's not short of facilities. There's a separate shower with seat and two drains, a swivel cassette loo, an opening window and a useful shelf behind the toilet.

Finally, standard spec on the Sport includes an awning and TV bracket (height-adjustable and sited by the doorway).



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Swift

Champagne 675

This Brownhills special edition range gets a new layout for 2020



FACT FILE

BASE VEHICLE Fiat Ducato

PRICE FROM £57,640

BERTHS 4

TRAVEL SEATS 4

LENGTH 7.86m

WIDTH 2.31m

HEIGHT 2.88m

GROSS WEIGHT 3,500kg

PAYLOAD 450kg

ALSO CONSIDER

Bailey Alliance 76-4T

Elddis Encore 285

THE Champagne-coloured cab may be the most obvious differentiation, but these dealer specials from Brownhills have a whole host of extra equipment compared with the standard Escapes on which they're based. There's an additional layout this season, too – the four-berth 675, which at 7.86m becomes the longest model in the range. It's a single bed floorplan here but with low beds forward of an end washroom, rather than the more common high beds over a garage design (that's already covered by the Champagne 684).

Basis is a Fiat Ducato with the new 140bhp engine. The new nine-speed automatic gearbox

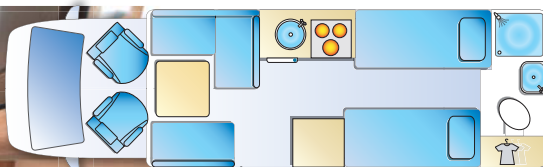
is optional (priced at £1,800) but the Champagne 675 comes as standard with driver and passenger airbags, cruise control, ESP with Traction Plus and Hill Descent Control, a leather steering wheel, dashboard with Techno silver highlights and a DAB radio with sat-nav. The alloy wheels add style, while black headlamp bezels, skid plate and grille complete the look and a reversing camera should help you to avoid unwanted 'modifications' to the curvaceous moulded rear panel! Bike rack mounts are factory-fitted and there's still some external storage, despite the lack of a garage. An outside hatch accesses the space under the nearside settee, while there's



also an external door into the space under the offside single bed and a small locker inside the cassette toilet servicing hatch.

Externally, this dealer special also benefits from a Thule 4.25m awning, a solar panel, TV aerial, exclusive Champagne graphics and external shower, barbecue and mains points. The Winter Pack (heated waste water tank, insulated pipes and fridge vent covers) is included as well and the habitation door has a flyscreen.





BUY A SWIFT CHAMPAGNE FROM...

As a dealer special edition range, the Champagne is available only from Brownhills, with its huge showroom just off the A1 at Newark. However, the Champagne coachbuilds are based on the Swift Escape, which is available from Swift's nationwide dealer network (some of the larger outlets also having their own special editions).



WHO IS BROWNHILLS?

Brownhills
The UK's Largest Motorhome Dealer

Brownhills' Nottinghamshire dealership is the largest motorhome retail site in the UK with a showroom for 60 vehicles, plus a 25-bay workshop that's approved by both Fiat and the NCC (National Caravan Council). There's a parts department, accessory shop and even a café there, too, while customers who purchase a motorhome become members of Club Brownhills with access to the swimming pool, spa and sauna.

The company has two special edition ranges – Champagne from Swift (now including Edge models as well as van conversions and Escape-based coachbuilds) and Evolution from Elddis (low-profiles and campervans). It is also a franchised dealer for Adria, Auto-Trail, Itineo and Rapido.



Inside, there's a new contemporary upholstery for this season and this new layout feels very open and spacious, especially as the bedroom area is not fully segregated from the rest of the living space. Some may, however, prefer a more private bedroom, although a concertina screen is provided.

It's a comfortable lounge up front, although the cab seats are higher than the rest of the lounge. The offside L-settee includes rear seatbelts for two passengers, while the nearside sofa adds seating capacity on site. The table isn't huge for family dining but its surface area can be increased with a slot-in panel that's stored separately. An overcab

sunroof ensures that there's no shortage of daylight and it's good to see flexible wand reading lamps over both the swivel cab chairs.

The central kitchen has a fitted microwave as well as a combined oven/grill but the fridge is quite modestly sized for such a large motorhome, at just 88 litres (it does have automatic energy selection, though). The sink comes with a chopping board cover and removable draining board, while there's plenty of worktop for the chef on the opposite side of the 'van.

Moving rearwards, the beds measure 1.90m long on the offside and 1.80m on the nearside,

headboards are provided and there's nothing to stop you sitting up comfortably. Three large top lockers are positioned over each bed, while the offside bed base offers generous storage (the Truma Combi is under the nearside mattress). Both bed bases lift on gas struts for easy access and there are twin USBs at the foot of the nearside bed.

Across the rear is one of the star features of the 675 – a walk-in bathroom-cum-changing-room that includes the wardrobe and a separate shower. There's also a swivel cassette loo, opening window and fixed basin, although there's a lack of worktop for using your makeup and toiletries.



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A quick look at the website of leading hire operator, Just Go, shows that you can hire a four-berth motorhome at this time of year from just £76 per night. And if you fall in love with the lifestyle – and we're confident that you will! – you might even go on to buy one of its ex-hire motorhomes in the

year end sale. At time of writing, it's offering 2018 Ford Zefiro 690 family coachbuilds for just £38,995.

Maybe even that's too rich for your budget, so here we've surfed the net and found 10 tempting looking buys at selected motorhome dealers. Prices here start at just £14,995, although at this level you'll need to be seeking out retailers who specialise in the lower-priced end of the market.

If you can find £30k or thereabouts, you'll discover more choice at major dealers – usually vehicles that have been traded in against a newer 'van. And as many new motorhomes hit the road from 1 March and through the spring, you should find plenty of

choice, whether you want a versatile campervan or a big bunk bed coachbuilt for spacious living.

Of course, we'd always advise that you look at plenty of different vehicles before picking the one to buy (and take a test drive, and do a damp test on any used coachbuilt), but you'll not see a better selection anywhere than at one of Warners' outdoor motorhome shows. The Yorkshire Motorhome & Campervan Show takes place in Harrogate on 20 to 22 March, while even more 'vans will be on display at The National Motorhome & Campervan Show, Peterborough from 17 to 19 April. Find out more at outandaboutlive.co.uk/shows

2006 ACE FIRENZE



£24,995

Dipping your toes into motorhoming waters for the first time? Then £25k doesn't seem too much to risk on a six-berth coachbuilt, especially as this is a popular layout built by Britain's largest manufacturer. Ace may be a brand that's no longer on sale but it was made by Swift and the Firenze was basically just a Sundance with tweaked cosmetics.

Based on the older (X2/44) generation Fiat cab, this 7.49m model has lots of living space, with a pullman dinette up front and long settees in a generous rear lounge. It's got a bike rack and awning and has done 45k miles.

DEALER southernmotorhomes.co.uk



2007 ADRIA VISION 707 SG



£31,995

A new A-class might be out of the question, but a used example could be just the job – especially one that's just had two grand lopped off its price!

Not that this Adria was short of appeal to begin with. With a drop-down bed in the cab and a fixed transverse double in the rear, it'll sleep four easily, while the full-width A-class cab and huge windscreen will make it feel roomier on site. This isn't an enormous 'van, though, at 7.2m long. Unusually, this Vision is based on a Renault Master, rather than the ubiquitous Fiat, so expect a smooth, comfortable ride as another plus.

DEALER chelstononline.co.uk



2015 AUTOHAUS KINGSTON



£38,995

The Kingston is a twin-lounge van conversion from a company better known for its smaller VW T6 campervans. It has parallel settees in the rear, while an RIB bench behind the cab makes for more comfortable travel here than in most rivals.



It packs a lot into its six-metre overall length, including four berths and a galley with oven/grill and 90-litre fridge. There's a washroom opposite with corner basin and cassette toilet, while the exterior is in Champagne metallic. With just 11k miles recorded, this Autohaus looked reasonable value at £42,995, but with a massive £4k price reduction it looks a lot more tempting.

DEALER chelstononline.co.uk

2015 BAILEY APPROACH 765



£39,995

Like the Auto-Trail Scout, this Bailey Approach has two lounges and berths for six. Here, though, the more modern design of the Bristol-built 'van shows through in a low-slung low-profile body on an Al-Ko chassis. Inside, the third double bed is a drop-down one over the front seating area, rather than in an overcab lunton.



Having space to stretch out in two completely separate seating areas means you won't be falling over each other when the weather's gone all British, while the galley here includes a microwave as well as an oven and grill, so feeding the family should be easy.

DEALER highbridgecaravans.co.uk

2008 AUTO-TRAIL SCOUT



£31,995

A brand-new Scout starts at £77,015, which will put it way out of reach of many families. This example, with just 27k miles on the clock, is considerably less than half that figure – or about the same as a decent spec VW Golf. That's more like it!



For £32k, you're buying a motorhome that still looks remarkably similar to a current model (cab facelift aside). It's on a 4,250kg chassis for a family-friendly payload, but make sure you're licenced to drive such a heavy beast. It's also got the grunty 3-litre engine, so you'll not struggle on Alpine passes when fully loaded up.

DEALER highbridgecaravans.co.uk

2008 CHAUSSON FLASH 03



£26,995

There's a lot to like here if you're on the hunt for a truly family-friendly 'van. Top of the list is a bunk bed layout, with those bunks across the rear, well away from the main living area so you won't disturb the little darlings. When it's time for parental lights out, you can choose between the overcab and turning the pullman dinette lounge into a double bed.



Unlike some family motorhomes, the Flash isn't huge – in fact, at 6.42m long it's remarkably compact for a six-berth. Many will also prefer the Ford Transit cab to a Fiat of the same age.

DEALER jcleisure.co.uk

2017 DANBURY TRAIL**£32,995**

VW campervans make great family cars for everything from shopping and commuting to the school run, as well as weekends away. However, most models have just four seatbelts. If you need a fifth travel seat this Danbury could be the answer and the added benefit of its wider rear bench is a bed that's much more commodious, too.

With only just over 6k miles recorded, this Trail should be almost as good as new, and it looks like retro-inspired fun in that bright orange livery. Its neat little kitchen unit behind the driver's seat includes a compressor fridge and two-burner hob, while a roof bed means it can sleep four.

DEALER highbridgecaravans.co.uk

**2009 DETHLEFFS ADVANTAGE A 7871-2****£47,995**

If you really want space and comfort for family holidays you'll go a long way to beat this. And having bought it, you'll want to go on long tours in it, taking advantage (no pun intended!) of the huge garage and vast double floor storage, as well as the five-tonne chassis.

This eight-and-a-half-metre motorhome has a big overcab double bed, another double over the rear garage, while the lounge can provide berths five and six. Fully winterised, you'll want to use this motorhome all-year round, perhaps even for skiing trips. It comes with an awning and towbar, and the potent 3-litre engine.

DEALER chelstononline.co.uk

**1999 SWIFT SUNTOR 620****£14,995**

Here's proof that you don't need a big budget to get on the road in a big(ish) motorhome. And this Swift Suntor (a dealer special edition version of the Sundance) may be two decades old but it has only done 57k miles.

The layout has two seating areas – useful if you're going to tour mob-handed – but not in the style that's now the norm. The front lounge has pullman-style seating for four around a family-sized dining table, while a smaller two-seater dinette is diagonally opposite, in the rear nearside corner. Those areas make into double and single beds, respectively, while there's another double in the luton.

DEALER bayviewcars.co.uk

**2008 SWIFT VOYAGER 695 EL****£30,995**

Once described as 'the thinking man's Kon-tiki' the Voyager was also an award-winning model in its day. It offered much of what appealed about Swift's flagship in a slightly more compact and less expensive package. Today that translates to a length just over 7m and a price just over £30k (with only 23k miles recorded).

The spacious rear lounge will be central to the appeal here, but this silver-sided overcab coachbuilt also has a half-dinette up front, creating a second lounge as well as taking the travel seat tally to four. Spec includes a microwave, oven and grill, TV aerial, towbar and roll-out awning.

DEALER hayesleisure.co.uk



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For years you were bombarded with phone calls telling you to claim for mis-sold PPI and, with the deadline now passed (it was 29 August last year), you were probably hoping that you would never again hear those dreaded three letters. But, in a bid to cause maximum disappointment, this month's column focuses on Payment Protection Insurance (PPI).

When you take out a finance agreement, it's usually on the assumption that your personal circumstances won't suddenly take a turn for the worse. However, illness and redundancy can strike and if you were to lose your job or not be able to work because of illness, you could lose your motorhome if you can't afford the repayments. This is when you need PPI.

A PPI policy usually helps you meet repayments for a fixed period if you fall ill, have an accident, or become unemployed through no fault of your own. Policies vary, but most will meet the monthly repayments of a loan or repay a fixed percentage of your income each month. This kind of insurance product is often referred to as accident, sickness and unemployment insurance, which is a wider umbrella term that also includes MPPI (mortgage payment protection insurance) and payment protection insurance.

While PPI can provide peace of mind, thanks to previous mis-selling, there's been negative publicity galore around it. Many lenders sold PPI to borrowers who didn't qualify for the payouts, lots of people complained they'd been pressured into paying for such policies – and a whole claims industry sprang up. But, if you might struggle to repay a debt because of a change in circumstances, PPI is worth considering. The key is to ensure you have the right cover in place and, in light of recent events, PPI providers now have a set of standards to adhere to, thanks to the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA).

When you take out a loan or credit agreement you may be offered PPI at the same time. But this might not be the most appropriate cover for you and it may not be competitively priced, which is why the Competition Commission and the FCA (then known as the Financial Service Authority) banned this type of sale of PPI in April 2012.

It's not compulsory to sign up to PPI against any credit agreement and, if you don't, it can't affect a lender's willingness to offer you credit, which is why you should compare PPI policies available elsewhere to find the right one for you. As with any insurance, shopping around can trim costs and help you find the best policy but, as ever, scrutinise the terms and conditions before signing up to anything,

and don't be afraid to ask questions.

What you need to check is exactly what protection you'll get in the event of your circumstances changing. PPI usually pays out for a fixed period (such as a year) and it can take a few months of unemployment or sick leave before any payments are made, so you'll need to have a financial buffer in place to cover this period. There are policies that will pay out immediately, but they cost more.

Some policies require you to have been in continuous employment with the same company for a fixed period before you qualify, while some cover doesn't protect against certain issues, such as stress, even if you're forced to take time off work. If you've had an illness before and it reoccurs, the insurer may consider that to be a pre-existing condition, which wouldn't be covered. Also, if you know redundancy is on the cards before you take out cover, you won't be eligible to claim.

There are other financial products that can protect against a loss of income and PPI isn't always the most appropriate. For example, depending on your circumstances you might be better off with a policy that pays out to cover your wider living costs in the event that you became unwell (income protection), seriously ill (critical illness cover) or died (life assurance).

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