

The sports cars for those who know the difference.

MG '71



Four decades of racing experience are reflected in the MGB's aerodynamic design and competition-bred performance. In a world of "so-so" cars, the MGB possesses a unique and vital difference—that of being an uncompromised, true and spirited sports car. Among its features: a fully-synchronized 4-speed gearbox, front disc brakes, mag-style wheels, and full sports car instrumentation.

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Body-contoured reclining bucket seats offer comfort to match the luxury of our new Autumn Leaf interior.



A winning MGB that can take to the freeways as nimbly as it does to the tracks.



An optional feature for sophisticated looks: wire wheels. Radial-ply tires are standard.



A generation later

Although it all began in England back in 1923 with a "Special" from Morris Garages, the sports car phenomenon did not take off in the United States until the late 1940's. It was then that returning servicemen brought back with them cars like the MG-TC and its successor, the TD.

The popularity these classic two-seaters quickly garnered then played a decisive role in launching the sports car phenomenon so evident in America today.

Then, as today, Americans were quick to recognize the distinctly different characteristics of MG sports cars. A spirit of individual freedom. A virtue of reliability. And the twin merits of superb handling and performance.

Since then, styles have changed and new MG engineering concepts have replaced old ones. But one thing has stayed unaltered and untampered with. That unique set of qualities which makes the MG sports cars the attractions they are. That's why, a generation later, MG is the largest-selling imported sports car line in America.

This is where classic styling and advanced sports car engineering come together in a most beautiful manner. It's one authentic GT that's eminently practical. A meaningful difference that can mean, among other things, better gas mileage and higher resale. And yet, the MGB/GT possesses the kind of extravagant air associated with a *first-class* grand touring automobile.

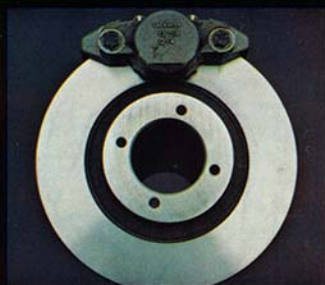
MGB/GT



A full array of instruments, fully-synchronized 4-speed gearbox, and rack-and-pinion steering are just three of the MGB/GT's sports car features.



A track-proven 1798 c.c. twin-carb engine surprises most people with its spirited yet economical performance: up to 25 miles per gallon.



Big, powerful 10.75-inch disc brakes up front assure you the stopping power worthy of a GT built by MG.

Here's how to get away from it all for less money than you'd pay for any other true sports car. Big enough for the action of the track and yet small enough to outwit city traffic. Live your comings and goings with a close-ratio, 4-speed gearbox, racing-type suspension, rack-and-pinion steering and sure-stop front disc brakes. A different sports car to match the spirit of today's new people.

MIDGET



There's plenty of get-up-and-go in the Midget's 1275 c.c. twin-carb engine. Track-tested and proven, the Midget's engine also delivers up to 30 miles to the gallon.



Weatherproof tonneau cover. Just one of the many available Midget options.



The mag-style wheel that tells others you're on the move. Radial-ply tires, standard, add to the Midget's road-gripping performance.

MGB SPECIFICATIONS

ENGINE:

4-cylinder, in-line, overhead valve.
5-bearing counter-balanced crankshaft.
Exhaust and evaporative emission-control.
Compression ratio: 8.8:1.
Bore: 3.16 in.
Stroke: 3.5 in.
Displacement: 1798 c.c. (109.8 cu. in.)
Horsepower: 92 b.h.p. @ 5,400 r.p.m.
Torque: 110 lb./ft. @ 3,000 r.p.m. (max.)
Carburetion: Twin 1.5 in. S.U. semi-down-draught.
Fuel Pump: High-pressure S.U. electric.
Fuel Tank Capacity: 14 gallons.

TRANSMISSION:

Four-speed all synchromesh with optional electrically controlled override for third and fourth gears.
Clutch: Diaphragm type Borg & Beck 8 in. with hydraulic actuation.
Rear Axle: Three-quarter floating with hypoid final reduction gears.
Ratio: 3.909:1.

Overall gear ratios:

	Standard	Overdrive
Reverse	12.09:1	—
First	13.45:1	—
Second	8.47:1	—
Third	5.40:1	4.43:1
Fourth	3.91:1	3.20:1

STEERING:

Direct rack and pinion.
Steering Wheel: leather-covered 16 in. diameter alloy spoke.
Turns—lock to lock: 2.9.
Energy-absorbing steering column.

SUSPENSION:

Front: Independent, coil springs and wishbone-type links with hydraulic shock absorbers and anti-roll bar.
Rear: Semi-elliptic springs with hydraulic shock absorbers.

BRAKES:

Dual hydraulic braking systems.
Front: 10.75 in. diameter disc brakes.
Rear: 10 in. diameter drum brakes.

ROAD WHEELS:

Roslyle wheels, 14 in. diameter, fitted with 15 x 14 radial-ply tires.

PERFORMANCE DATA:

Maximum Speed: 105 plus m.p.h.
Acceleration: 0-60 m.p.h.—11.8 sec.
Standing quarter mile: 18.45 sec.
Road Speed at 1,000 r.p.m. in top gear: 16.8 m.p.h.

OVERDRIVE GEARBOX:

Standard gearbox: 18 m.p.h.
Overdrive gearbox: 22 m.p.h.

ELECTRICAL:

Negative ground, 12-volt system.
Twin 6 volt batteries mounted in balanced position. 58 amp./hr. Alternator with solid-state regulator.
Electric 3-blade windshield wiper system, 2-speed.

Electric windshield washers.

Twin backup lights.
Twin windtone horns controlled in center steering wheel.
Emergency flashing warning lights.
Heater/defroster with high-speed blower*, and fresh-air ventilation.
*Except Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

INSTRUMENTS:

Speedometer with trip odometer.
Electric tachometer.
Oil pressure, water temperature, and fuel gauges.
Ignition, brake pressure, and high beam warning lights.
Map reading light.
Manual choke.
All instruments and switches set in no-glare, padded dash.
Door-operated courtesy light.
Rheostat-type panel light switch.

BODY:

Steel mono-construction.
Aluminum hood with interior release and automatic hood support.
Locking trunk with automatic lid support.
Automatic trunk light.
Curved laminated windshield.
Full positive anti-burst door latches.
Roll-up windows and hinged front vents.
Waterproof, folding top.
Mirrors: exterior adjustable; interior adjustable day-night type.
Lighted side markers front and rear.
Rubber insert bumper over-riders front and rear.

INTERIOR:

Padded sunvisors.
Reclining washable ambla bucket seats with adjustable head restraints.
Safety 3-point seat belts.
Cigarette lighter and ashtray.
Map pocket.
Fitted carpeting with rubber floor mats.
Sill kick plates.
Lever controlled fresh air vent.
Gearshift gaiter.

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES:

Whitetail radial-ply tires.
Dunlop 60-spoke center-lock wire wheels.
Removable handtop.
Tonneau cover.
Solid-state AM or AM/FM radio.
Center console.
Electric clock.
Car seat armrest.
Luggage rack (ski adapters available).
Chrome plated grille guard.
Wood gearshift knob, rubber floor mats, and a full range of other sports car accessories.
Optional Racing Equipment: a full line of SCCA approved competition parts.

THE MGB CONFORMS TO U.S. FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY AND AIR POLLUTION STANDARDS APPLICABLE AT ITS DATE OF MANUFACTURE.

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MGB/GT SPECIFICATIONS

ENGINE:

4-cylinder, in-line, overhead valve.
5-bearing counter-balanced crankshaft.
Exhaust and evaporative emission-control.
Compression ratio: 8.8:1.
Bore: 3.16 in.
Stroke: 3.5 in.
Displacement: 1798 c.c. (109.8 cu. in.)
Horsepower: 92 b.h.p. @ 5,400 r.p.m.
Torque: 110 lb./ft. @ 3,000 r.p.m. (max.)
Carburetion: Twin 1.5 in. S.U. semi-down-draught.
Fuel Pump: High-pressure S.U. electric.
Fuel Tank Capacity: 14 gallons.

TRANSMISSION:

Four-speed all synchromesh with optional electrically controlled override for third and fourth gears.
Clutch: Diaphragm type Borg & Beck 8 in. with hydraulic actuation.
Rear Axle: Three-quarter floating with hypoid final reduction gears.
Ratio: 3.909:1.

Overall gear ratios:

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STEERING:

Direct rack and pinion.
Steering Wheel: leather-covered 16 in. diameter alloy spoke.
Turns—lock to lock: 2.9.
Energy-absorbing steering column.

SUSPENSION:

Front: Independent, coil springs and wishbone-type links with hydraulic shock absorbers and anti-roll bar.
Rear: Semi-elliptic springs with hydraulic shock absorbers.

BRAKES:

Dual hydraulic braking systems.
Front: 10.75 in. diameter disc brakes.
Rear: 10 in. diameter drum brakes.

ROAD WHEELS:

Roslyle wheels, 14 in. diameter, fitted with 15 x 14 radial-ply tires.

PERFORMANCE DATA:

Maximum Speed: 105 plus m.p.h.
Acceleration: 0-60 m.p.h.—11.8 sec.
Standing quarter mile: 18.45 sec.
Road Speed at 1,000 r.p.m. in top gear: 16.8 m.p.h.

OVERDRIVE GEARBOX:

Standard gearbox: 18 m.p.h.
Overdrive gearbox: 22 m.p.h.

ELECTRICAL:

Negative ground, 12-volt system.
Twin 6 volt batteries mounted in balanced position. 58 amp./hr. Alternator with solid-state regulator.
Electric windshield washers, 2-speed.
Twin backup lights.

Emergency flashing warning lights.
Heater/defroster with high-speed blower* and fresh-air ventilation.
*Twin windtone horns controlled in center steering wheel.
*Except Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

INSTRUMENTS:

Speedometer with trip odometer.
Electric tachometer.
Oil pressure, water temperature, and fuel gauges.
Ignition, brake pressure, and high beam warning lights.
Rear door operated interior roof light.
Side door operated interior courtesy light.
Map reading light.
Manual choke.
All instruments and switches set in no-glare, padded dash.
Rheostat-type panel light switch.

BODY:

Steel mono-construction.
Aluminum hood with interior release and automatic hood support.
Large counter-balanced locking rear door.
Curved laminated windshield.
Full positive anti-burst door latches.
Roll-up windows and hinged front vents.
Hinged rear side windows.
Tinted glass all around.
Mirrors: exterior adjustable; interior adjustable day-night type.
Lighted side markers front and rear.
Rubber insert bumper over-riders front and rear.

INTERIOR:

Padded sunvisors.
Reclining washable ambla bucket seats with adjustable head restraints.
Safety 3-point seat belts.
Cigarette lighter and ashtray.
Map pocket.
Fitted carpeting with rubber floor mats.
Rear carpeted luggage area.
Occasional rear seating; rear seat folds flat for additional luggage space.
Sill kick plates.
Lever controlled fresh air vent.
Gearshift gaiter.

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES:

Whitetail radial-ply tires.
Dunlop 60-spoke center-lock wire wheels.
Overdrive.
Electrically heated rear window.
Solid-state AM or AM/FM radio.
Center console.
Electric clock.
Car seat armrest.
Luggage rack (ski adapters available).
Chrome-plated grille guard.
Wood gearshift knob, rubber floor mats, and a full range of other sports car accessories.
Optional Racing Equipment: a full line of SCCA approved competition parts.

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MG MIDGET SPECIFICATIONS

ENGINE:

4-cylinder, in-line, overhead valve.
3-bearing counter-balanced crankshaft.
Exhaust and evaporative emission-control.
Compression ratio: 8.8:1.
Bore: 2.78 in.
Stroke: 3.2 in.
Displacement: 1275 c.c. (77.9 cu. in.)
Horsepower: 62 b.h.p. @ 6,000 r.p.m.
Torque: 72 lb./ft. @ 3,000 (max.)
Carburetion: Twin 1.25 in. S.U. semi-down-draught.
Fuel Pump: High-pressure S.U. electric.
Fuel Tank Capacity: 7.25 gallons.

TRANSMISSION:

Close-ratio, four-speed with synchromesh on second, third, and fourth gears.
Clutch: Diaphragm type, 6.5 in. diameter, hydraulically operated.
Rear Axle: Three-quarter floating, hypoid final reduction gears.
Ratio: 3.9:1.

Overall gear ratios:

Reverse	16.1:1
First	12.5:1
Second	7.5:1
Third	5.3:1
Fourth	3.9:1

STEERING:

Direct rack and pinion.
Steering Wheel: leather-covered 15.5 in. diameter alloy spoke.
Turns—lock to lock: 2.3.
Energy-absorbing steering column.

SUSPENSION:

Front: Independent, coil springs and wishbone-type shock absorbers.
Rear: Semi-elliptic springs with double acting lever-type shock absorbers.

BRAKES:

Dual hydraulic braking systems.
Front: 8.25 in. diameter disc brakes.
Rear: 7 in. diameter drum brakes.

ROAD WHEELS:

Roslyle wheels, 13 in. diameter, fitted with 14 x 13 radial-ply tires.

PERFORMANCE DATA:

Maximum Speed: 92 m.p.h.
Acceleration: 0-60 m.p.h.—15.3 sec.
Standing quarter mile: 19.9 sec.
Road Speed at 1,000 r.p.m. in top gear: 16.8 m.p.h.

ELECTRICAL:

Negative ground, 12-volt system.
Twin windtone horns controlled in center steering wheel.
Electric 3-blade windshield wiper system, 2-speed.

Electric windshield washers.

40 amp./hr.
Twin backup lights.
Emergency flashing warning lights.
Heater/defroster with high-speed blower*, and fresh-air ventilation.
*Except Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

INSTRUMENTS:

Speedometer with trip odometer.
Electric tachometer.
Oil pressure, water temperature, and fuel gauges.
Ignition, brake pressure, and high beam warning lights.
Manual choke.
All instruments and switches set in no-glare, padded dash.
Door-operated courtesy light.

BODY:

Steel mono-construction.
Interior hood release and automatic hood support.
Locking trunk with automatic lid support.
Automatic trunk light.
Curved laminated windshield.
Full positive anti-burst door latches.
Roll-up windows and hinged front vents.
Waterproof folding top.
Mirrors: exterior adjustable; interior adjustable day-night type.
Lighted side markers front and rear.
Rubber insert bumper over-riders front and rear.

INTERIOR:

Padded sunvisors.
Reclining washable ambla bucket seats with adjustable head restraints.
Safety 3-point seat belts.
Cigarette lighter and ash tray.
Fitted carpeting with rubber floor mats.
Gearshift gaiter.

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES:

Whitetail radial-ply tires.
Dunlop 60-spoke center-lock wire wheels.
Removable handtop.
Tonneau cover.
Anti-roll bar.
Oil cooler.
Solid-state AM radio.
Center console.
Electric clock.
Luggage rack (ski adapters available).
Grille guard and rear bumper guard.
Wood gearshift knob, rubber floor mats, and a full range of other sports car accessories.
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