

# 1979 FORD BRONCO



# '79 Ford Bronco. Compare it to any 4-wheeler, anywhere.

## Compare toughness

Begin with Bronco's *tough-truck* chassis. You'll find Bronco has a rugged steel ladder-type frame with thick side rails for 4-wheeling toughness. Up front, Bronco has a big heavy-duty front axle and Mono-Beam suspension with forged-steel radius rods designed to take those front end jolts. A steering-linkage shock absorber provides added protection against shocks in off-road operations. Bronco has the popular 5.8L (351) V-8 engine standard with big 6.6L (400) V-8 optional for more demanding 4-wheeler service.



## Free Wheeling Bronco

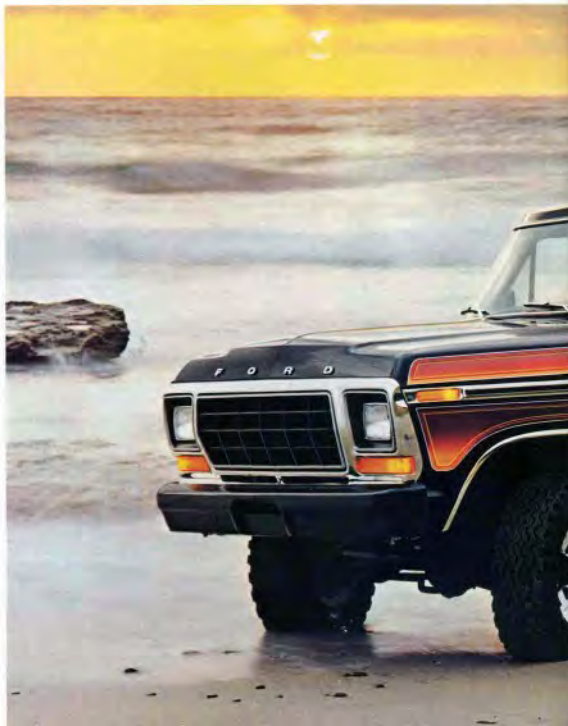
The striking Bronco Free Wheeling Package features great-looking tri-color tape striping in Orange/Tan/Creme (shown at upper right) or Blue/White/Green depending on the exterior color you select. A new chromatic tape stripe, shown at right, is now available in place of the tri-color tape. Free Wheeling also includes black bumpers (standard with Custom), dual black low-mount western mirrors and five 15 x 6 painted styled steel wheels in white or chrome yellow with L78 x 15C Raised White Letter (RWL) tires.

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## A great angle by design

Bronco is a maneuverable full-size 4-wheeler. Minimal body "overhang," tight turning and excellent ground clearance let you get in, over, out, and around places you may not have thought you could.





#### 4-speed standard

Bronco has a 4-speed manual transmission with low, low first gear *plus* 2-speed transfer case for optimum power.



#### Part-time 4wd with automatic

Choose part-time or full-time (shown) 4wd with optional SelectShift Automatic. Part-time 4-wheel drive lets you lock in the front hubs for off-roading or run free on highways.



#### Handling Package

For rough terrain, Bronco has an optional Handling Package. It includes gas-filled hydraulic heavy-duty quad front and dual rear shocks, and rear stabilizer bar. (10 x 15C R tires with 15 x 8 styled steel wheels are recommended.) Free Wheeling Bronco tri-color tape stripe shown.



# Compare comfort

You expect a 4-wheeler to be tough. We think it should be comfortable, too. Bronco features long and wide rear leaf springs to cushion your ride, deep-foam front bucket seats, power tailgate window and front stabilizer bar. Bronco does a comfortable job of seating even a family of six with optional front and rear bench seats.

Compare Bronco to any 4-wheeler, anywhere.



## Ranger XLT (at right)

Ranger XLT exterior features include bright bumpers, bright molding around windshield, rear side windows, roof drip rail, wheel lips and upper/lower section of tailgate, and a bodyside molding with black vinyl insert.

Shown with optional Special Tu-Tone, Exterior Protection Group, 10-hole polished aluminum wheels, WSW tires, western mirrors, sliding side windows and swing-away spare tire carrier.

## Custom (at far right)

The standard Bronco model is designed to set 4-wheeler standards. Among the many attractive exterior features it has are rectangular headlights, bright hub caps, bright mirrors, and black painted bumpers. Shown with optional Combination Tu-Tone, styled steel wheels, RWL tires, Privacy™ glass and black western mirrors.

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## Ranger XLT interior

Cut-pile carpeting, door trim panels with woodtone accent, seat covering in vinyl or vinyl and cloth, spare tire cover and insulation package are all standard. (Optional SelectShift Automatic, radio, air conditioning, and bench seat shown.)

## Captain's Chairs . . .

Comfortable reclining Captain's Chairs are trimmed in vinyl or vinyl and cloth with vinyl bolsters and fold-down armrests.





### New for '79

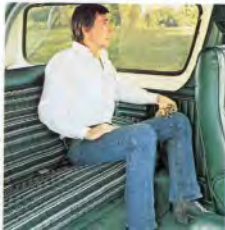
's Chairs are available in  
an attractive, long-wearing  
esters, and have convenient

### Comfortable seating

Optional rear flip/fold bench seat is  
foam-padded for soft, resilient comfort.  
And there's extra room for your legs.  
Bronco has a rear footwell that lets you  
sit in a comfortable position.

### Custom interior

Smart-looking side support bucket seats are deep foam-  
cushioned for comfort and tailored in easy-to-clean vinyl.  
Padded instrument panel and door trim panels are color-  
keyed in Red, Black, Blue, Jade or Sand. The new hardboard  
rear quarter panels are black.



# Options

Ford offers a wide choice of options to help make your driving easier... your Bronco better equipped for work or personal use.

## Appearance

- Chrome bumpers.
- Bright wheel lip moldings.
- Bodyside molding with black vinyl insert.
- Narrow bodyside paint stripe (Black, Blue, Orange, Red or White keyed to exterior color).
- Tri-color tape stripe (Blue/White/Green or Orange/Tan/Creme).
- Chromatic tape stripe.
- GT bar made of black tubular steel with black foam padding.

## Audio

- Wide choice of quality Ford push-button radios:
- AM radio.
  - AM/FM monaural (single speaker).
  - AM/FM stereo (speakers mounted in door panels).
  - AM/digital clock radio.
- 40-channel CB radio has all controls located in microphone which easily disconnects for security. Includes single (AM/FM/CB) tri-band antenna. Available with any of the above radios.

## Comfort/Convenience

- Air conditioning.
  - ComfortVent heater.
  - Insulation package.
  - Rear floor mat (for Custom).
  - Front Captain's Chairs.
  - Front bench seat.
  - Rear flip/fold bench seat.
  - Console (with front bucket seats).
  - Convenience Group (intermittent wipers, map pockets and 12-in. day/night mirror).
  - Illuminated visor vanity mirror.
- Glass:
- Privacy™ glass in fixed quarter windows.
  - Sliding side quarter windows with deflector (tinted glass).
  - Tinted glass all around.
  - Western mirrors, low-mount swingout, 9" x 6", bright or black.
  - Recreation mirrors, 6 3/4" x 9 1/2".
  - Sport steering wheel with simulated leather wrapping.
  - Simulated leather-wrapped steering wheel.

- Fingertip speed control.
- Light Group includes lights in glove box, ashtray and underhood. Also instrument panel courtesy lights and dome light with integral map light.

- (F)  Swing-away spare tire carrier (included when five 10 x 15 tires are ordered) swings out of the way with ease. Includes spare tire lock and vinyl cover (except with 10 x 15 tires) color-keyed to match vinyl roof.

## Free Wheeling Package

(See pages 2 & 3)

## Performance

- (G)  Quad heavy-duty front shocks are gas filled. They help provide excellent control and handling.
- Handling Package includes rear stabilizer bar, gas-filled hydraulic heavy-duty quad front and dual rear shocks. (10 x 15 RWL tires are recommended.)
  - SelectShift Automatic transmission with part-time or full-time 4-wheel drive.
  - Dual 600 watt engine block heater.
  - Heavy-duty suspension (includes HD front springs, HD rear shocks, and rear stabilizer bar).
  - Rear stabilizer bar.
  - Gauges: oil pressure gauge and ammeter.
  - Maximum capacity fuel tank in lieu of standard (32 gallons), includes skid plate.
  - Skid plates for standard fuel tank and transfer case.
  - Trailer Towing Package (light and heavy duty, see back cover).

## Protection

- (H)  Front tow hooks.
- Inside locking hood release.
  - Exterior Protection Group: includes bright door edge guards, front bumper guards and front bumper rub strip.
  - Security Lock Group includes locking gas cap, inside locking hood release, spare tire lock and locking glove box.

**NOTE:** Options are not necessarily available in all series or models. Some options are included, required, or are not available in combination with other options.



## Colors



Color choices available are: **1.** Raven Black, **2.** Wimbledon White, **3.** Candyapple Red, **4.** Maroon Metallic, **5.** Coral, **6.** Silver Metallic, **7.** Dark Blue Metallic, **8.** Light Medium Blue, **9.** Bright Emerald, **10.** Dark Jade Metallic, **11.** Light Jade, **12.** Midnight Jade, **13.** Gold Metallic, **14.** Light Sand, **15.** Dark Brown Metallic, **16.** Medium Copper Metallic, **17.** Bright Yellow. New optional glamour colors: **18.** Medium Blue Glow, **19.** Walnut Glow.



**5-slot forged aluminum**  
15 x 6 wheels (4) with  
steel spare.



**10-hole polished forged**  
aluminum 15 x 6 wheels  
(4) with steel spare.



**Painted styled steel**  
15 x 6 wheels (5). 15 x 8  
wheels are included with  
10 x 15 tires (4) or (5).



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### Tu-Tone choices



**Standard Bronco paint scheme**—solid exterior body color with the rear fiberglass roof in Black, Sand or White.



**Special Tu-Tone Option**—Black, Sand or White hood and roof only to match rear fiberglass roof. Available with all solid exterior body colors.



**Deluxe Tu-Tone Option**—accent color applied within bodyside molding and upper and lower tailgate. Bodyside molding included.



**Combination Tu-Tone Option**—combines Special Tu-Tone Option and Deluxe Tu-Tone Option with moldings.

# Specifications



## Dimensions

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Tires   | L78-15B |
| Angle of Approach (AA)                              | 37.5°   |
| Angle of Departure (AD)                             | 23.4°   |
| Ramp Breakover Angle (RBA)                          | 24.9°   |
| Ground Clearance (GC)                               |         |
| Front Axle  | 8.1*    |
| Rear Axle   | 7.8*    |
| At RBA  | 9.6*    |
| Turning Diameter (Curb to Curb) With Power Steering | 35.4'   |

Bronco offers two optional Trailer Towing Packages to meet your needs:

**Light Duty Trailer Towing Package** (for trailers up to 2,000 lb.) includes Extra Cooling Package • Wiring harness • HD flasher • Emblem.

**Heavy Duty Trailer Towing Package** (for trailers over 2,000 lb.) includes Light Duty Package features plus HD suspension • 60 amp. alternator • 68 amp-hr. maintenance-free battery • External oil cooler with SelectShift • Dual horns • Oil pressure gauge and ammeter • Bright recreation mirrors.

## New Extended Service Plan

Ford Motor Company offers an Extended Service Plan. Ask your dealer for details.

|  | Standard<br>2 Passenger* | Optional<br>3 Passenger | Optional<br>5 Passenger | Optional<br>6 Passenger |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Passenger Package</b>                     |                          |                         |                         |                         |
| <b>Passenger, Luggage &amp; Load Rating:</b> |                          |                         |                         |                         |
| Std. Susp. (lb.)                             | 700                      | 750                     | 850                     | 900                     |
| HD Susp. (lb.)                               | 1,000                    | 950                     | 850                     | 900                     |
| <b>Seating Package:</b>                      |                          |                         |                         |                         |
| LH/RH Front Bucket                           | X                        | —                       | X                       | —                       |
| Front Bench                                  | —                        | X                       | —                       | X                       |
| Rear Bench                                   | —                        | —                       | X                       | X                       |

\*Also available with driver's seat only. Rear seat not available.

| Equipment                             | Standard                                     | Optional  |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| Alternator                            | 40 amp.                                      | 60 amp.   |
| Axle, Front:                          |  |   |
| Rating (lb.)                          | 3,550  | —   |
| Axle, Rear:                           |  |   |
| Rating (lb.)-Ratio (to 1)             | 3,750-3.5                                    | Traction-Lok  |
| Battery: Amp-hr.                      | 41   | Maintenance-free 68, 68 aux.                          |
| Brakes, Service:                      | Power  | —   |
| Brakes, Parking: Type                 | Cable actuation of rear brakes               | —   |
| Clutch: Diameter (in.)                | 11, 12 included with 6.6 L (400 cu. in.) V-8 | 6.6 L (400 cu. in.) V-8                               |
| Engine:                               | 5.8 L (351 cu. in.) V-8                      | 6.6 L (400 cu. in.) V-8                               |
| Frame: Section Modulus                | 3.95   | —   |
| Hubs, Front:                          | Free running with part-time drive            | —   |
| Shock Absorbers:                      | Front (HD) and rear                          | Quad HD front and HD rear                             |
|                                       |  | HD rear   |
| Springs, Front:                       | Coil, computer selected                      | —   |
| Springs, Rear: Combined rate @ ground | 3,750-lb. Leaf, two-stage                    | —   |
| Stabilizer Bar:                       | Front  | Rear  |
| Steering:                             | Power  | —   |
| Tank, Fuel:                           |  |   |
| Refill capacity                       | 25 gal.                                      | 32 gal. with skid plate                               |
| Transfer Case:                        | 2-speed                                      | 2-speed full-time 4WD w/ Automatic SelectShift        |
| Transmission:                         | 4-speed                                      | 4-speed   |
| Tires:                                | L78-15B                                      | L78 x 15C, LR78 x 15C and 10 x 15C<br>RWL on/off road |
| Wheels:                               |  |   |
| No.—type—rim size (in.)               | 5—5-hole disc-5.5K                           | 4—10-hole alum., 4—5-slot alum.<br>5 styled steel     |

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