AN ADVENTURE IN DRIVING AWAITS YOU IN AMERICA'S BEST-SELLING COMPACT UTILITY.

Drivers of compact utilities rely on their versatile vehicles to satisfy the needs of their varied, active lifestyles. Across America, more of these drivers chose Ford Explorer last year than any other compact utility. And for a good reason: Explorer has the attributes they look for most: Style, Performance, Spaciousness, Versatility. Explorer is contemporary in style, aerodynamic in function. And powered by a multi-port electronically fuel-injected 4.0L V-6 engine, Explorer moves you with authoritative performance.

The handling is responsive. The power brakes feature a computer-controlled rear anti-lock system. And this year, the performance and on-center feel of the steering system are improved.

The Explorer 4x4 features our exclusive Touch Drive transfer case, with convenience unmatched by any other automatic 4x4 system. Its availability is one reason why Four Wheeler magazine named Ford Explorer "Four Wheeler of the Year" in 1990 and again in 1991.

If you don't need the extra traction of the 4x4, Explorer comes in a 4x2 model.

What's more, Explorer is best in class in overall spaciousness, providing more room for passenger comfort and cargo-carrying utility. Discover for yourself why Explorer has been America's No. 1 compact utility, in a test drive at your Ford Dealer.

The top-of-the-line Explorer Eddie Bauer model is outfitted with a unique two-tone paint treatment, shown here in Cayman Green Clearcoat Metallic/Mocha, one of seven available combinations. Standard on the outside are a roof luggage rack, Primex glass, 225/70R15 tires, white-letter all-terrain tires on luxury aluminum wheels with Mocha-color accents, and the rear window washer/wiper/tinted defroster. Some equipment shown is optional.
MORE OVERALL SPACE FOR PEOPLE AND CARGO THAN YOU'D FIND IN ANY OTHER COMPACT UTILITY.

As a "customer-driven" company, we take comfort very seriously in the design of every Ford product.
So you can see why the spaciousness of the 4-Door is one of our finest Explorer design achievements.
Compare Explorer with any other compact utility and you will discover more overall space for passengers and cargo. You'll also discover the availability of six passenger seating (in XL and XLT models) that few other compact utilities offer.

Whether you're seated up front or in the rear, you enjoy the comfort of Explorer's best-in-class spaciousness. By design, the long 112-inch wheelbase contributes to the 4-Door's superior measure of rear seat leg room.

Explorer is not only spacious, it's also easy to get in and out of, thanks to a low step-in height.


The 60/40 rear bench seat is as versatile as it is comfortable. It lets you lower one or both seat backs to suit passengers' and cargo-carrying needs.

Lower both seat backs to enjoy the full advantage of the Explorer 4-Door's 81.6 cu. ft of cargo space (with 60/40 flat cargo load floor). No other leading compact utility can match it.

Explorer 4-Door's three trim models include the top-line Eddie Bauer, featured here, whose sport bucket seats now feature 6-way power adjustment (see your dealer for date of availability).

At left: The Explorer 4-Door features the versatility of 60/40 split rear seats to go along with its best-in-class overall spaciousness. The cargo cover is standard in XLT and Eddie Bauer, optional in XL.

At left: The ergonomic instrument cluster includes a full gauge package including tachometer. In a pad to the right of the cluster are (1) the Touch Drive 4x4 control module; (2) the audio system; and (3) the heating/cooling/defroster controls. Some equipment shown on these pages is optional.
Discover for yourself what so many have already found—that the Explorer 4-Door offers just about everything you could possibly want in a vehicle for family travel. Roominess. Comfort. Style. Versatility. Smooth, capable ride and handling. Plenty of fuel-injected 4.0L V-6 power, enough to tow a boat or camper weighing more than 5,000 pounds (see page 15 for more on trailer towing). Excellent value, too, in the XL and XLT 4-Door models.

The superbly equipped XLT has speed control, tilt wheel, Privacy glass, and much more (see page 14.) Both XL and XLT provide seating for five. Or carry six passengers with the 60/40 split bench front seat, an option that isn't available in most other compact utilities. Choose the Explorer 4x2. Or the 4x4 model with its exclusive Touch Drive electric shift transfer case delivering 4-wheel traction at the simple touch of a button.
Explorer is engineered with emphasis on excellent all-around performance to satisfy the wide variety of personal uses for which this compact utility is designed. Explorer's 4.0L multi-port fuel-injected V-6 has the power and torque you need, on or off the road. The ride is smooth, and the handling is capable. The steering is improved, more responsive. And the power-assisted brakes feature a rear anti-lock system controlled by computer.

The 4.0L multi-port fuel-injected V-6 is controlled by Ford's sophisticated EEC-V computer. EEC-V controls numerous operations affecting overall performance — in effect, fine-tuning the engine. A 5-speed manual transmission with close-ratio gearing and synchronized reverse gear is standard. A 4-speed automatic with column-mounted shift is optional.

The 4x4 has standard auto-locking front hubs with Touch Drive transfer case. Features include on-the-fly shifting from 2WD to 4WD-High and lock at normal road speeds, and an electromagnetic clutch that spins up the drive system from zero to driving speed in milliseconds. Manual-locking front hubs with manual-shift transfer case are optional.

Explorer's power-assisted steering system is designed for precise metering of the steering fluid flow for greater steering responsiveness to directional changes. The system has been refined to provide a tighter feel of the wheel and more positive on-center performance.

Illustrated at right: The standard full-size spare tire is mounted in a carrier between the rear frame rails beneath the load floor, a design feature that contributes to Explorer's impressive amount of cargo space. The tire is lowered with a crank mechanism.
THE EXCITING 2-DOOR SPORT. IT'S POWERED BY A MULTI-PORT FUEL-INJECTED 4.0L V-6. AND YOUR DRIVING ENTHUSIASM.

If you are the kind of person who, given a choice, would much rather be out driving than inside sitting, you will really enjoy taking the wheel of the exciting Explorer 2-Door Sport.

With the Sport's power and handling, you're in for a lot of fun, whether you're cruising on highway pavement or traveling off-road. If you are into 4-wheeling, you'll especially appreciate the choice of auto-locking front hubs with the exclusive Touch Drive electric shift transfer case, or manual hubs and transfer case with its basic mechanical operation. Explorer packs plenty of muscle. Under the hood are 4.0 liters of multi-port fuel-injected and computer-controlled V-6 power.

Take hold of the standard 5-speed manual overdrive floor-mounted shifter, or the electronic 4-speed automatic overdrive transmission with shift on the column.

Ford engineers, you'll fast discover also, have done a remarkable job in providing the handling capability you'd expect to go along with this performance.

And impressive, too, is the ergonomics of Explorer's interior design. The seating is firm and supportive. The controls are easy to reach and operate. And the gauges are clear and easy to read. Now you need only add to all of this the 2-Door Sport's youthful style, its comfort and convenience features, its versatility, and its best-in-class overall spaciousness.

You'll see why Explorer has been far and above the best-selling compact sport utility in America.
The 2-Door Eddie Bauer takes the winning design and performance of the popular Explorer nameplate into a special dimension of personal style and luxury.

The name "Eddie Bauer," widely known for quality outdoor apparel, says it all by itself. Which is why we chose it to represent our top-of-the-line Explorer. Driving this uniquely trimmed and superbly appointed sport utility is a rewarding experience, one that's meant to be enjoyed by successful people of independent mind and adventurous spirit.

The 4-door and sporty 2-door Explorers each come in three trim models, in XLT or XLT.

Each model has its list of standard features and also a Preferred Equipment Package—a group of popular options that makes it easy to buy the Explorer that best suits your lifestyle. Options available separately are also listed.

Shown here are just a few of the many features that make Explorer a pleasure to own and drive. Some are included in select Preferred Equipment Packages.

High towing capability makes Explorer an excellent vehicle for your recreational needs.
6-YEAR/100,000-MILE CORROSION PROTECTION

Corrosion warranty coverage for outer body panel rust-through is 6 years or 100,000 miles, whichever comes first. See your Ford Dealer for a copy of this limited warranty.

Optional Ford Extended Service Plans cover major components on new Ford cars and light trucks for longer than the vehicle's basic warranty. Your Ford Dealer has full details.

MOTORCRAFT REPLACEMENT PARTS

Genuine Ford and Motorcraft original equipment replacement parts meet the same high standards as those installed in production.

"Tread Lightly" is an educational program designed to increase public awareness of land-use regulations and responsibilities in our nation's wilderness areas. Ford joins the U.S. Bureau of Land Management in encouraging you to help preserve our national forests and other public and private lands by "treading lightly."

Ford Credit's Red Carpet Lease* program makes driving a new Ford even more pleasurable. With it, qualified lessees can drive a new car or truck every few years, and can generally select a more expensive vehicle (or one with more options) at a lower monthly payment. See your dealer today for details on Red Carpet Lease.

OPTIONS AVAILABILITY

Options shown or described in this catalog are available at extra cost and may be offered only in combination with other options or subject to additional ordering requirements or limitations.