1981

CJ-5 / CJ-7

JEEP

Jeep, the legend that has endured for 40 years. It all began with a tough quarter-ton military vehicle, predecessor of today's Jeep CJ. It carried America's colors proudly and reliably through the scorching Sahara in North Africa...up the beaches at Normandy...over the sands of Iwo Jima, Wherever and whenever a dependable personnel and materials carrier was needed during World War II, that steady, spunky all-purpose vehicle was there.

After a very distinguished tour of duty, that forerunner of the modern Jeep CJ moved on to other fertile fields in agriculture, land surveying, forestry and conservation service...wherever a scrappy, dependable, go-anywhere-anytime utility vehicle was needed.

Then came the incomparable CJ, the amazing Jeep vehicle that almost single-handedly launched the Recreational Vehicle industry.

We put our first Jeep CJ-5 on the back trails of America in 1954. Now, several hundred thousand CJs later, it's difficult to tell where the city leaves off and Jeep Country begins, because today's Jeep CJs are built for off-roaders who also want the convenience of a sporty in-town runabout. If you need proof, count the Jeep vehicles in the parking lot the next time you go to the shopping center, or theater, or for that matter anywhere.

That brings us to 1981, and the newest edition Jeep CJ. One with all the off-road prowess you expect from the leader in 4-wheel drive technology...one every bit as rugged and dependable as its forebears...yet one with surprising convenience, comfort and room...one with good measures of value, performance and long term quality so important for the '80s.

The legend lives on.
Jeep CJ

Durable Jeep CJ comes in two configurations. The CJ-5 has a tidy 83.5-inch wheelbase that lets it turn in where larger 4WDs turn back. And the versatile CJ-7 offers a 93.5-inch wheelbase for optimum driving satisfaction and riding comfort on road or off.

Both come bristling with popular standards. Free-wheeling front hubs let you select 2-wheel or 4-wheel driving mode as needed. A folding windshield, solid state ignition, fuel tank skid plate, roll bar, front disc brakes, steering damper and front sway bar are some of the other important standard features.

The gutsy, 151 CID (2.5 liter) 4-cylinder engine and a fully synchronized, 4-speed, manual transmission continue as the standard powertrain. They helped make last year's CJ the mileage champ among domestic 4WDs and we're even better for '81: 27 hwy est mpg, 14 city est mpg. Get these figures for comparison. Your results may differ due to driving speed, weather conditions and trip length. Actual highway mileage will be less. California figures were not available at time of publication. Consult your Jeep Dealer.

The solid, 258 CID (4.2 liter) 6-cylinder engine, available on CJ, has shed 90 lbs to provide improved performance and practicality during the fuel-conscious 80s. And when you order CJ-7 with the Six and automatic transmission, a new "lock-up" torque converter helps improve highway efficiency.†

A handy option not available last year is a wide-ratio automatic transmission for 4-cylinder CJ-7s.

† See EPA mileage statement on back cover.

Appearance & Equipment Packages:

This year you can top Jeep CJ with vinyl or denim soft-top with either soft doors, or, on CJ-7, steel doors with roll up windows. You have a choice of four colors including new Nutmeg. A smart molded hardtop, in a choice of 3 colors is also available for CJ-7. Just as it comes from the factory, Jeep CJ is a mighty exciting vehicle to look at. It often gathers an admiring crowd just parked on the street. However, many CJ owners prefer the distinctiveness and extra comfort provided in bold, attractive Jeep CJ special option packages.

Renegade.

"Renegade" fans will quickly note this year's prominent new graphic treatment. The basic package is available on either CJ-5 or CJ-7 and includes:

• Convenience Group: courtesy lights; 8" day/night mirror; underhood light; 15 x 8 styled wheels. • L78 x 15 Goodyear Tracker P/G OWL tires. • Wheelip extensions. • Spare wheel lock. • Decor Group: rocker panel protection molding; instrument panel pad; Soft Feel steering wheel; front frame cover. • Exterior graphics available in gradations of yellow, blue or red, depending on base exterior color. • High back vinyl front bucket seats and rear bench seat trimmed in black, blue or nutmeg denim look vinyl depending on base exterior color. • "Renegade" can be ordered with all regular production exterior colors.
Laredo

The dramatic high-styled CJ "Laredo" offers exciting color combinations and plenty of top-of-the-line distinction for CJ-5 with soft-top, or CJ-7 with soft-or hardtop. The package includes:

* Convenience Group: courtesy lights; 8" day/night mirror; underhood light; * Chrome plated 15 x 8 styled steel wheels, and die-cast hub covers. * Chrome front bumper, rear bumperettes, swing-away spare tire carrier latch and stop, grille panel (with pinstripe), mirror heads and arms, footman loops. * 9R-15 Goodyear Wrangler radial tires. * Wheelip extensions. * Black rocker moldings. * Heavy duty shocks. * Hood insulation. * Tachometer and clock. * Instrument panel pad (black or nutmeg). * Special exterior stripping and "Laredo" lettering in silver and gray, or nutmeg and bronze, depending on base exterior color. * Tinted-glass quarter windows on CJ-7 hardtop models (gray-tone with black top, bronze-tone with nutmeg top). * Special interior trim: black or dark nutmeg indoor/outdoor carpeting; special high back front bucket seats in black with gray vinyl accent straps or nutmeg with honey accents, and matching rear bench seat; leather-wrapped steering wheel and passenger assist bar; specially trimmed center console; special door trim panels; special pinstriping and "Laredo" nameplate on instrument panel.

"Laredo" package is available with eight regular production exterior colors. Check your Jeep dealer for specific color availability.
Interiors

Off-roaders looking for a little style with their action have some tough (but beautiful) decisions to make. The “Renegade” CJ features smartly contoured high back buckets dressed in sporty denim look blue, black or new nutmeg vinyl with matching rear bench. The “Laredo” CJ is just about as posh as you can get with black or nutmeg indoor/outdoor carpeting front and rear, a smart center console, special door and instrument panel trim, black leather-wrapped sport steering wheel, black or nutmeg leather-wrapped passenger assist handle, and the form fitting high back buckets and rear bench seat are trimmed in elegant Cara Grain vinyl in black with gray strap design, or nutmeg and honey accent strip.

Even the four-wheeling purist will be pleasantly surprised by the handsome standard CJ buckets, neatly tailored in beige or black linen grain vinyl.
4WD Systems

40 years of design innovation in 4-wheel drive systems has taught us a lot. Nobody engineers 4-wheel drive systems like Jeep does, because nobody knows more about 4-wheel drive. The part time system that comes with every CJ is a superlative example. It’s rugged, dependable, built to take all the off road demands you ask of it in stride. And its designed with lightweight componentry that doesn’t sacrifice toughness. That’s increasingly important as we move through the 80s, and as more 4-wheelers start using their vehicles for conventional driving needs.

In highway situations you simply slip the transfer case shift lever to the 2-wheel mode and unlock the front hubs. Now the front propeller shaft, front differential and front driving axles are disengaged. Friction and noise are reduced, and peak on-road operation is obtained. For off-road action, just lock the front hubs, shift the transfer case to the 4-wheel mode and CJ becomes the lively go anywhere fun machine that has become the standard of the world for off-road recreational use.

The Jeep CJ part-time four-wheel drive system is teamed with a standard 4-speed, fully synchronized, manual transmission. CJ-7 offers an available automatic transmission teamed with part time 4WD system with 4-cylinder, six-cylinder or V8 engines. The automatic transmission on CJ-7s with optional Six or V8 engines features a lock-up torque converter for improved performance.

Tires

Cruiser flexible polyester cord diagonal ply tires are strong, smartly styled and provide good traction. H78 x 15—B/W.

Surbanite tires are designed for strength and super pulling power in mud and snow. H78 x 15—B/W L78 x 15—B/W.

Wrangler steel radial tires bite deep in mud, sand and snow, are smooth and stable on the highway. 9R x 15—OWL.

Tracker PG is a rugged polysglas belted tire that’s smooth on the highway—and off! A great 4WD tire! L78 x 15—OWL.

Tracker A-T tires are a wide, all-terrain, all-weather tire designed for durability and rugged 4WD use. 9 x 15—OWL.

4WD Activities

Jeep CJ is the first choice of more professional and amateur four-wheelers than any other single vehicle. At sanctioned off-road races and organized club events around the globe you’ll find CJs at the head of the pack.

We take an active role in 4-wheeling to learn how to keep our systems rugged and dependable while improving on design and efficiency, and to promote positive action on the part of off-roaders. As an advisory member of the United Four Wheel Drive Associations we are committed to the promotion of off-roading as a safe, positive, responsible recreational pursuit.

4WD Activities

Options (cont’d.)
- Bumperettes (incl. in Laredo Pkg.)
- Carpeting—front and rear
- Center console
- Convenience Group: courtesy lights; underhood light; 8" dual/mirror (incl. in Renegade & Laredo pkgs.)
- Decor Group: rocker panel protection molding; instrument panel pad: instrument panel overlay; soft feel sports steering wheel; front frame cover
- Draw bar
- Engines: —258 CID Six
  —364 CID V-8 (N/A Calif.)
- Heavy duty cooling
- Instrument panel pad
- Lights: —Fog lamps with clear lens
  —Halogen Headlamps
- Sun roof (CJ-7 with hardtop)
- Power disc brakes (front)
- Power steering
- Radio: —AM with antenna
  —AM/FM stereo w/ antenna
- Rear storage box—lockable
- Seat—rear bench
- Steering wheel—soft feel sports
  (incl. in Renegade pkg.)
- Steering Wheel—leather-wrapped
  (incl. in Laredo pkg.)
- Suspension: —extra duty
  —Tailgate—movable (std. on CJ-7)
- Tires
- Tors:
  —tops: soft top, soft top w/steel doors (CJ-7 only), molded hardtop (CJ-7 only)
  —Trim Packages—Renegade & Laredo
  —Utility group: bumper extensions; tow hooks, rear bumperettes
  —Wheel covers—full
  —Wheels—styled steel, painted; styled steel, chrome

See your dealer for a complete list of options and factory approved accessories.

Colors

Camino Tan  Deep Maroon, Met.
Vintage Red, Met.
Classic Black  Olympic White
Autumn Gold  Copper Brown, Met.
Moonlight Blue  Oriental Red
Steel Grey, Met.  Montana Blue
Dr. Brown, Met.
Sherwood Green, Met.
Chestnut Brown, Met.
Jeep CJ Specifications

**CJ Dimensions**

(inches unless otherwise noted)

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**Interior**

| Head room, soft top | 39.8 | 40.6 |
| hardtop (front/rear) | 40.8/40.9 | 39.9/39.6 |
| Leg room, front (max.) | 37.9 | 39.1 |
| rear (min.) | 30.5 | 35.0 |
| Hip room (front/rear) | 55.4/54.0 | 53.8/54.0 |
| Shoulder room (front/rear) | 55.4/55.4 | 53.8/56.3 |
| Cargo volume (cu. ft.) | 10.2 | 13.6 |

(1) With side mounted spare tire  (2) Hard top

**Specifications**

- Axle, front: Full floating open end; GAWR: 2200 lbs.
- Axle, rear: GAWR: 2700 lbs.
- Brakes: Manual front disc/rear drum (Power assist optional)
- Clutch, diameter: 9.12 (4 cyl.)
- Clutch, area: 10.5 (6 & 8 cyl)
- Fuel tank capacity: 15 (approx.) gallons (w/skid plate) std.
- Transfer case: 2-speed Part-Time with 2.62 low range gear reduction
- Glass area: 768 sq. in. without top
- Gross vehicle weight: 3750 lbs. (4150 lbs. Max.)
- Springs, front: 4 leaf 170 lbs./in. rate std.
- Springs, rear: 4 leaf 185 lbs./in. rate std.
- Steering: Recirculating ball standard with 24:1 low ratio; constant ratio power optional 17.5:1 ratio
- Transmission: Fully synchronized 4-speed manual floor shift standard; column mounted automatic transmission with lock-up torque converter available on CJ-7 with Six or V-8. New automatic transmission available with 4-cylinder engine on CJ-7.
- Tires: Five H78-15 black side wall polyester highway (unbelted) standard (See tire options)
- Wheels: Five 15 x 5.5-bolt, 5.5" circle standard; optional wheels include 15 x 6 spoked steel 5-bolt on a 5.5" circle

**CJ Engine Availability**

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* Not available in California.

**EPA Mileage**

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