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In a world full of shrinking wagons, it's more fun to take the Bus.

Everyone gets a seat on the Bus. There's standard seating for 7 adults, and optional for 9. What's more, the Bus has 70% more room inside than a full size domestic station wagon. And almost as much room as a van.

But unlike a van, the VW Bus lets you ride in comfort and luxury. You sit on fully padded leatherette upholstery. Surrounding you are eight picture windows. And above you, a hand-fitted headliner helps deaden inside and outside noises.

When it comes to loading the Bus, there's a cavernous 41" x 48" sliding side door. And both rear seats come out to give you as much deck area as a small truck. In fact, there's actually 176 cubic feet of anything space in the Bus.

To make driving a pleasure, the Bus comes equipped with 4-wheel independent suspension, 10" power-assisted disc brakes in front, rear drum brakes with inertia-controlled pressure regulator, long-life radial tires, an electrically heated rear window, and optional automatic transmission. And for all its interior space, the Bus on the outside is an eminently drivable and parkable 177.4" long.

The powerful 2-liter engine has hydraulic lifters for quiet operation, and it is fuel injected for smoother response, easy starting, and more efficient use of fuel. According to E.P.A. estimates*, the Bus gets 25 mpg highway, 17 mpg city.

As you can see, when you take the Bus, you carry the most for the least.

1979 VW BUS SPECIFICATIONS.

ENGINE:	Type	Air-cooled, rear mounted	
	Cylinders	4 cylinders, opposed	
	Displacement	120.2 cubic inches (1970 cc)	
	SAE Net Hp	67 @ 4200 rpm	
	Fuel/Air Supply	AFC fuel injection	
TRANSMISSION & DIFFERENTIAL:	Type	Fully synchronized transaxle, rear	
	No. Speeds	4 forward, 1 reverse	
	Final Drive	Rear wheel drive, double jointed axles	
	Clutch	Single disc, dry	
CHASSIS & SUSPENSION:	Frame	Unitized construction with box-shaped side and cross members	
	Front Suspension	Independent, transverse torsion bars, stabilizer bar	
	Rear Suspension	Independent, with trailing and diagonal arms, torsion bars	
	Service Brake	Dual circuit, power-assisted discs/drums, inertia controlled rear pressure regulator	
	Parking Brake	Mechanical, operated on rear wheels	
	Rim Size	5½Jx 14 Steel	
	Tire Size	185 R 14 radial-ply	
	Steering	Roller-type	
ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:	Rated Voltage	12 Volt, 55 Amp alternator	
	Battery	12 Volt, 54 Amp/hour	
DIMENSIONS:	Wheelbase	94.5 inches	
	Length	177.4 inches	
	Width	69.3 inches	
	Height (Unloaded)	77.0 inches	
	Ground Clearance (Loaded)	7.9 inches	
	Turning Circle	37.1 feet (curb to curb)	
PERFORMANCE:	Top Speed	75 mph	
	Fuel Mileage*	Highway: 25 mpg	City: 17 mpg

*Based on 1978 EPA estimated mileage with manual transmission. Your actual mileage may vary, depending on where and how you drive, your car's condition and optional equipment. 1979 EPA data not available at press time. Ask your local dealer for a free copy of the 1979 EPA/FEA Gas Mileage Guide for New Car Buyers.



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