

# THE GREAT BRITISH SPORTS CAR



# MG MIDGET Mk III

Sleekly shaped, beautifully compact, a pace setter on the open road with handling and road holding that make it a real traffic beater. This is the M.G. Midget Mk. III—a true sports car with unbelievable economy. Power, plenty of it, comes from the rally-winning 1275 c.c. engine and is transmitted to the hypoid final drive via a 4-speed gearbox with short remote shift. The rack and pinion steering gives precise finger-tip control and the powerful disc/drum brakes inspire confidence. Whether nosing through town traffic, powering down the motorway or just relaxing along country lanes, you'll enjoy every mile in a Midget.

**Engine:** Four-cylinder, o.h.v. Bore 2.78 in. (70.61 mm.), stroke 3.2 in. (81.28 mm.), capacity 1275 c.c. 64 b.h.p. at 5,800 r.p.m. Max. torque 72 lbf. ft. at 3,000 r.p.m. Compression ratio 8.8 : 1. Twin S.U. HS2-type carburettors.

**Clutch:** Diaphragm-spring, 6.5 in. (0.17 m.) diameter.

**Gearbox:** Four-speed, synchromesh on second, third and top. Ratios: first 3.2 : 1; second 1.92 : 1; third 1.36 : 1; top 1.00 : 1; reverse 4.11 : 1.

**Rear Axle:** Three-quarter floating, hypoid bevel pinion and crown wheel. Ratio 3.9 : 1.

**Steering:** Rack and pinion.

**Road Wheels:** Pressed-steel Rostyle. 145—13 radial-ply tyres.

**Brakes:** Hydraulic: 8.25 in. (0.21 m.) diameter discs at front. 7 in. (0.18 m.) drums at rear.

**Suspension:** Front: independent with coil springs. Rear: leaf springs. Hydraulic dampers all round.

**Electrical:** 12-volt, 43-amp. hr. battery. Single lever on steering-column controls headlamp flasher, dip switch, and self-cancelling direction indicators.

**Instruments:** Speedometer. Fuel, water temperature, and oil pressure gauges. Tachometer. Warning lamps to show flashers working, headlamp main-beam and alternator not charging.

**Coachwork:** Two-door, two-seater sports car. Integral folding hood.

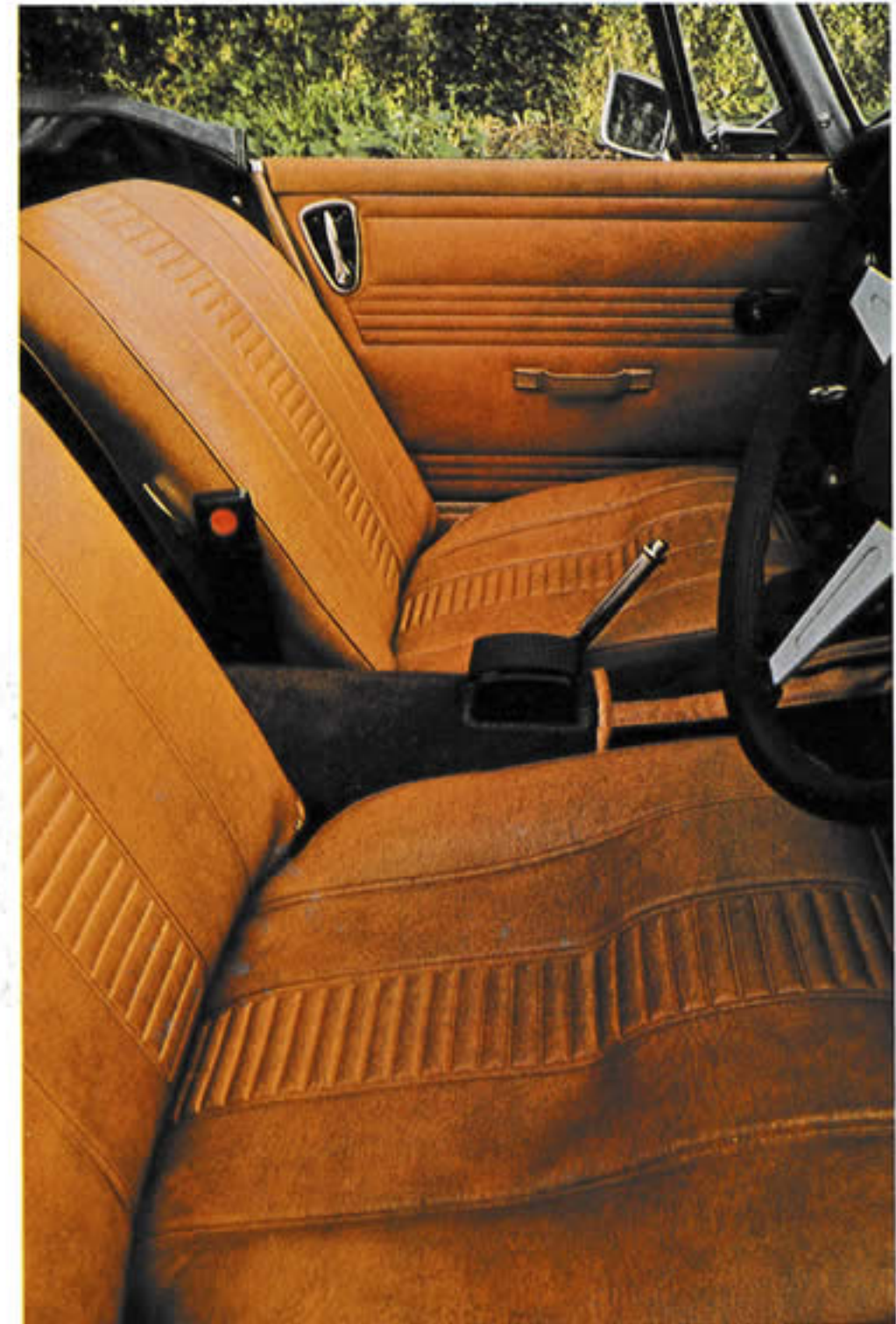
**Dimensions:**

Overall length: 11 ft. 5.375 in. (3.49 m.)

Overall width: 4 ft. 6.875 in. (1.39 m.)

Overall height: 4 ft. 0.625 in. (1.24 m.)

**Optional Extras:** Hard top. Oil cooler. Wire wheels. Head-rests. Also available with an Extras Pack, comprising hazard warning lights, exterior door-mounted mirrors, anti-roll bar and tonneau cover.







# MGB

Something rather special or an expression of individuality? For the man who demands a little extra from a sports car the MGB has qualities which just can't be taken for granted. The powerful 1798 c.c. engine demands to be used to reach 50 in 7.8 seconds.\* Rack and pinion steering and broadly spaced wheels take bends in their stride. The individual seating and straight arm driving position makes the driver's decision final. If you prefer to make your own decisions, in style and comfort, the Great British MGB is your sort of car. It's designed for drivers who know how to handle power.

\* 'Motor' Road Test



**Engine:** Four-cylinder, o.h.v. Bore 3.16 in. (80.26 mm.), stroke 3.5 in. (88.9 mm.); capacity 1798 c.c. 95 b.h.p. at 5,400 r.p.m. Max. torque 110 lbf. ft. at 3,000 r.p.m. Compression ratio 8.8 : 1. Twin S.U. HS4 carburettors. Oil cooler.

**Clutch:** Diaphragm-spring, 8 in. (0.20 m.) diameter.

**Gearbox:** Four-speed, all synchromesh. Ratios: first 3.44 : 1; second 2.167 : 1; third 1.38 : 1; top 1.00 : 1; reverse 3.095 : 1.

**Rear Axle:** Three-quarter floating, hypoid bevel pinion and crown wheel. Ratio 3.909 : 1.

**Steering:** Rack and pinion.

**Road Wheels:** Pressed-steel Rostyle. 155SR—14 radial-ply tyres.

**Brakes:** Hydraulic, 10.75 in. (0.27 m.) diameter discs at front, 10 in. (0.25 m.) drums with leading and trailing shoes at rear.

**Suspension:** Front: independent with coil springs, hydraulic dampers, and anti-roll bar. Rear: leaf springs and hydraulic dampers.

**Electrical:** Twin 6-volt batteries, 60-amp. hr. capacity. Single lever on steering-column controls headlamp flasher, dip switch, and self-cancelling flashers. Cigar lighter.

**Instruments:** Speedometer. Water, fuel and oil pressure gauges. Tachometer. Warning lamps to show headlamp high-beam, flashers working, and alternator not charging.

**Coachwork:** Two-door, two-seater sports car with integral folding hood and tonneau cover.

**Dimensions:**

Overall length: 12 ft. 9.188 in. (3.89 m.)

Overall width: 4 ft. 11.937 in. (1.52 m.)

Overall height: 4 ft. 1.375 in. (1.25 m.)

**Optional Extras:** Painted wire wheels. Chrome Rostyle wheels. Overdrive. Hard top. Head-rests. Also available with an Extras Pack, comprising servo brakes, hazard warning lights and exterior door-mounted mirrors.