

Chapter 1 : Willys-Overland Jeepster - Wikipedia

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The Scout had debuted for and had rapidly moved upmarket of the venerable CJ. What emerged late in was a new treatment on something old, the Jeepster Commando, Jeep code C All original and still purty in Spruce Tip Green! The top, trailer hitch, Warn hubs, and wheel trim rings were dealer installed. We got a deal here? Jeepster was not a new name in the Jeep livery. Looking for something stylish and sporty in a utilitarian lineup, Willys Overland developed the first Jeepster for Unfortunately, it was not practical and a bit superfluous. It was the last phaeton built in the USA, phaeton meaning a convertible with no fixed side windows. Not what you would call a hit, though it was memorable in the styling department. Maximum results from minimum input is something any business person can appreciate. Unlike the original Jeepster, the Jeepster Commando as it was called, had more than a fair measure of sportiness, but it was optional. The standard engine was the venerable ci four, same as in the CJ. Rated at gross horsepower and lb-ft, it more than adequately powered both the C and the CJ, in which it had appeared just the year before. Documents also show the was considered as the six-cylinder option for the Jeep Gladiator and Wagoneer lines, which were using AMC inlines as the base engine and very similar Buick s as the V-8 option. The Dauntless V-6 was a popular option. Most were delivered with TH automatics that sucked up a lot of power, so this manual trans Commando is pretty fast on its feet. The V-6 engine was purchased from Buick, who later sold the tooling to Jeep. Because it was essentially a V-8 with two cylinders lopped off, and retained the V-8 firing order, it was an odd-fire engine with gaps in the firing order for the missing V-8 cylinders. It was a bit rough and that had been a liability in cars but the heavy flywheel used in Jeeps helped a lot. Buick bought the engine back from AMC in and later refined the engine to even-fire with a V-6 firing order. This early engine has the oil-bath air cleaner. Later engines used a paper filter. The Jeepster Commando line was divided into four models. The first three were given the base model code , but the variations each got a letter as a 5th digit in the VIN. All the tops were interchangeable among these three, so today you could find a C Jeepster with one VIN code but a different top. The pickup also had a removable bulkhead bolted in behind the front seats. The convertible was a different animal and had an model code. It had a full convertible top power operation optional , two-tone paint and a continental kit. The was a slow seller and only sold into It was replaced in production by the less fancy model convertible, which sold equally poorly but was cheaper to manufacture. The was the first, and possibly the only, 4x4 production SUV available with a power-operated top. Overall, the station wagon proved to be the most popular model. It was weathertight, quiet, and comfortableâ€”just what people were looking for in an SUV. The Whitco top is still original but was optional and dealer installed. When you ordered a Roadster, it came without a top from the factory. The reflectors added to the sides and rear are not original. That was easy in the big Jeeps. It left the stage after , its place in the lineup taken by the two-door, Wagoneer-based Cherokee. Later, a Dana 44 rear axle came with the V-6 and was optional for the four-cylinder models. A limited slip in the rear was optional. We have no clue either. Note the monoleaf rear springs that contributed to a good ride. The Jeepster Commando roadster shown here belongs to the Immers family. About 55, Cs were built from to , with another 20, of the bullnose variety in through This one is trimmed in the Code Charcoal color. Today, the C Jeepster Commandos are a moderately-popular collectable. They have a flair and style few similar era rigs can sport. Some have been modded and their inch wheelbase makes for a decent trail rig. Collectors lust after the convertibles and the H pickup. Collector prices are as yet moderate, but trending upward. Anthony and Nancy Immers Estimated value:

Chapter 2 : Jeepster Man Inc - Commando and 4W Jeepster Parts

The Jeepster Commando is an automobile which was first produced by Kaiser Jeep in to compete with the International Scout, Toyota Land Cruiser and Ford racedaydvl.com different models were available: a pickup truck, convertible, roadster and wagon.

Reno, Nevada, resident Mike Haworth was in the same predicament with his flatfender pickup project. Instead, Mike purchased a classic Jeep with unique styling: As a result, it was surprisingly rust free. It was just too many compromises. To keep from heading down the same path he had just travelled, Mike cut all of the stock suspension brackets off the frame and fabricated his own to mount Rubicon Express YJ springs with reverse eyes for a spring-over application. The front springs are damped by inch-travel Rancho shocks mounted on Ford shock towers, while the rear Rancho shocks are bolted to a custom tubular crossmember on the frame end. More crossmember modifications were necessary up front to accommodate the Saginaw power steering. The front crossmember was modified to allow the Flaming River steering shaft to pass through it, connecting the CJ-5 column to the Saginaw box. A water pump from a Grand National routes coolant through a Griffin aluminum radiator fitted with an electric fan from a Ford Taurus to keep the engine cool. Behind the V-6, the factory T three-speed transmission was replaced with an SM four-speed manual with a 7. Mike used the stock Jeepster bellhousing with the factory cast-iron T adapter removed and hydraulic clutch components from Novak to mate the transmission to the engine, while an adapter from Advance Adapter sits between the tranny and Dana. The T-case has been upgraded with an Advance Adapters spline output shaft, 3. Instead of upgrading the differentials, brakes, and shafts on the factory axles, Mike decided that his money was better spent starting with stronger components. Smash in Carson City set up the 4. Steering arms sourced through Poly Performance are mounted on top of the knuckles above the leaf springs. The arms are connected to a tie rod and drag link constructed from 1. The four-wheel discs work in conjunction with a power brake system from Don Fletcher, president of the Jeepster Commando Club of America, and a Wilwood proportioning valve. The stock fuel tank was replaced with a gallon unit from Aero Tanks and is protected by a custom skidplate fabricated by Trent Fabrication. The stock seats were retained and a Tuffy Security center console was added between them for lockable storage. Mike made a custom dash panel to fit the gauges, which monitor speed, rpm, oil pressure, water temperature, fuel level, and voltage. Meanwhile, a Premier Power Welder hides in the glovebox behind the Herculined dash and is wired to two Optima batteries a Red Top and Yellow Top on the other side of the firewall. With no off-the-shelf options, Mike made a simple front bumper out of 2x3 rectangular box tubing and mounted a classic Warn on top of it, the perfect match for the distinctive Jeepster grille. The rocker panels on Jeepsters are notorious for robbing ground clearance, at least until they typically rust away. Mike trimmed the rockers and replaced them with 1. And what about that flatfender pickup?

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The Jeepster Commando, a sometimes overlooked model in the Kaiser / Willys lineup, was first introduced by Kaiser Motors in to compete with the Toyota Land Cruiser and Ford Bronco. A throwback to the original Willys Jeepster, the Jeepster C, as the first Commando was called, was produced.

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