

The Porsche 944: A Comprehensive Buyer's Guide to Models from 1982 to 1991



The Porsche 944 is a sports car that was produced from 1982 to 1991. It was developed as a successor to the Porsche 924 and was based on the Volkswagen M480 platform. The 944 was available in both coupe and cabriolet body styles.

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The 944 was a popular sports car and was sold in over 160,000 units worldwide. It was praised for its handling, performance, and affordability. However, it was also criticized for its lack of rear seat space and its cramped interior.

Model History

The Porsche 944 was introduced in 1982 as a replacement for the Porsche 924. The 944 was based on the Volkswagen M480 platform, which was also used in the Audi 100 and the Volkswagen Passat.

The early 944s were powered by a 2.5 liter four-cylinder engine that produced 163 horsepower. In 1985, the engine was enlarged to 2.7 liters

and power increased to 168 horsepower. In 1987, the 944 Turbo was introduced, which was powered by a turbocharged 2.5 liter engine that produced 217 horsepower.

In 1989, the 944 S2 was introduced, which was powered by a 3.0 liter engine that produced 208 horsepower. The 944 Turbo S was also introduced in 1989, which was powered by a turbocharged 3.0 liter engine that produced 250 horsepower.

The 944 was discontinued in 1991 and was replaced by the Porsche 968.

Trim Levels

The Porsche 944 was available in a variety of trim levels, including:

* Base: The base trim level included a 2.5 liter engine, a five-speed manual transmission, and a variety of standard features. * S: The S trim level included a 2.7 liter engine, a five-speed manual transmission, and a variety of upgraded features. * Turbo: The Turbo trim level included a turbocharged 2.5 liter engine, a five-speed manual transmission, and a variety of performance-oriented features. * S2: The S2 trim level included a 3.0 liter engine, a five-speed manual transmission, and a variety of luxury features. * Turbo S: The Turbo S trim level included a turbocharged 3.0 liter engine, a five-speed manual transmission, and a variety of performance-oriented features.

Engine Options

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The following is a list of the engine options that were available in the Porsche 944:

* 2.5 liter four-cylinder engine (163 horsepower) * 2.7 liter four-cylinder engine (168 horsepower) * 2.5 liter turbocharged four-cylinder engine (217 horsepower) * 3.0 liter four-cylinder engine (208 horsepower) * 3.0 liter turbocharged four-cylinder engine (250 horsepower)

Transmission Options

The Porsche 944 was available with a variety of transmission options, including a five-speed manual transmission, a three-speed automatic transmission, and a four-speed automatic transmission.

The five-speed manual transmission was the most popular transmission option and was available in all trim levels. The three-speed automatic transmission was available in the base trim level and the S trim level. The four-speed automatic transmission was available in the S2 trim level and the Turbo S trim level.

Performance

The Porsche 944 was a capable sports car and could accelerate from 0 to 60 miles per hour in under seven seconds. The top speed of the 944 was 137 miles per hour.

The 944 was also a good handling car and was able to take corners with ease. The 944 was also relatively comfortable to drive, even on long trips.

Safety

The Porsche 944 was equipped with a variety of safety features, including:

* Anti-lock brakes * Airbags * Traction control * Stability control

The 944 was also a well-built car and was able to withstand a crash well. The 944 received a four-star safety rating from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Reliability

The Porsche 944 is a reliable car, but it does have some common problems. Some of the most common problems include:

* Oil leaks * Coolant leaks * Electrical problems * Transmission problems

These problems can be expensive to fix, so it is important to factor in the cost of repairs when purchasing a 944.

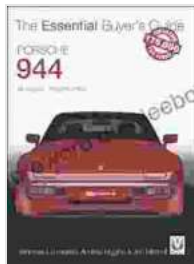
Buying a Porsche 944

The Porsche 944 is a great choice for someone who is looking for a classic sports car that is affordable to own and operate. However, it is important to do your research and find a car that has been well-maintained.

Here are some tips for buying a Porsche 944:

* Get a pre-purchase inspection. This will help you to identify any potential problems with the car. * Check the maintenance records. This will help you to see how well the car has been cared for. * Test drive the car. This will help you to get a feel for the car and to make sure that it is a good fit for you. * Be prepared to negotiate. The price of a Porsche 944 can vary depending on the condition of the car and the year of manufacture.

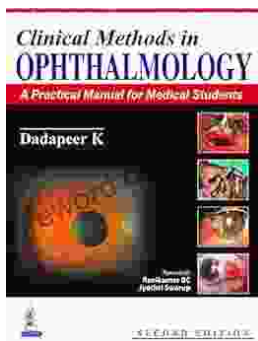
The Porsche 944 is a timeless classic that is still a joy to own and drive. It is a great choice for someone who is looking for a classic sports car that is affordable to own and operate.



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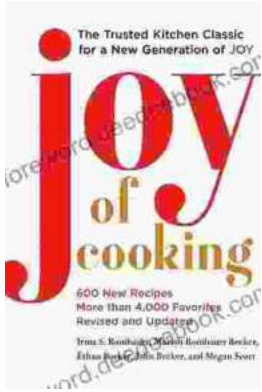
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