





returns to the open sports car: the TR8 convertible, Triumph's newest source

The heart of the TR8 is a muscular 3.5-liter V8 cast of lightweight aluminum alloy. Strong, silent, pulsing V8 power! Dual exhausts, calibrated twin carburetors (fuel injection in Calif.), five main bearings, and cylinders lined with high-strength steel give it impressive power and strength. The aluminum block has the

distinct advantage of less weight than an iron block. And that translates as better weight distribution for improved handling.

Indeed, the TR8's power and stamina are already legend. Last season, specially-prepared TR8s outpowered and outhandled the competition in road races and performance rallies across America: Coupled to the V8 engine is a robust 5-speed manual gearbox. Five forward speeds mean you can choose

el consumption is no longer irrelevant. TR8's EPA estimated MPG is mpg with a 22 highway estimate. Remember, these estimates are for comparison. Your actual mileage may be less depending on trip length, driving speed <u>an</u>d weather. California estimates are 16 and 26. Actual highway mileage will probably be less than estimates.

Sports car performance is only partly raw power. Transmitting that power to the road efficiently is of paramount importance. Triumph has designed the TR8 to be one of the best handling and most comfortable convertible sports cars around.

The front suspension is of MacPherson strut design, while the rear suspension is a 4-link coil arrangement. A full eight inches of suspension travel keep the TR8 in constant contact with the road while soaking up bumps and potholes.

To reduce unsprung weight, the TR8 is equipped with handsome castalloy road wheels which are vented for additional brake cooling of the 9.61-inch front discs and 9-inch rear drums.

Each alloy wheel is fitted with a 185/70HR steel-belted radial tire for great performance.

Steering is through precise rack and pinion and is power-assisted for

decreased effort with little loss of road

Inside, the TR8 is designed for the serious driver. The spacious cockpit features full instrumentation with graphic white-on-black gauges, an alloy three-spoke steering wheel, column-mounted controls for the horn, headlights, turn signals and wipers.
The multi-adjustable bucket seats

assure you the correct driving position while the deep contours keep you firmly in command during spirited driving and ease fatigue on long trips. There's even a handy parcel shelf behind the seats as well as a center console storage bin.

It seems natural for a car with the potential of the TR8 to have a slippery, aerodynamic shape. Triumph's famous wedge features disappearing headlights to help decrease wind drag and a front spoiler for additional down-force.

The body sweeps up dramatically into a Kamm-inspired tail which offers almost 10-cubic feet of lockable, outof-sight storage space.
One of the most impressive things

about the TR8 is that it is a convertible in an age in which most of the open sports cars have disappeared.

The sleek convertible top goes up or down with consummate ease and features full vision through a zip-out rear window and side quarterwindows. When the top is down a snug-fitting boot covers it and accents the TR8's wedge shape. The TR8 convertible is an inspired

blend of comfort, style, and performance in an open sports car. Clearly, it's a powerful idea whose time has come.





Eight cylinder, 90° vee, overhead valve. Aluminum alloy cylinder block with cast-iron dry liners. Five main-bearing crankshaft with integral balance weights. Exhaust and evaporative emission control. Dual catalytic converters. Compression Ratio: 8.1:1. Bore: 3.50-in./88.9mm. Stroke: 2.80-in./1.1mm. Displacement: 215-cu. in./ 3528cc. Horsepower: 133 @ 5000rpm (148 @ 5100rpm]. Torque: 133 @ 5000rpm [180 @ 3250rpm]. Torque: 168 @ 3000rpm [180 @ 3250rpm]. Carburetion: twin Zenith 1.75 CDSET with automatic choke [electronic uel injection]. Electronic anition system. Fuel Pumps. Delco electric, Fuel and Capacity: 14.6 U.S. gallons. Unleaded fuel required. Coolant Capacity: 23 pints. Crankcase Capacity: 10.8 pints. Crankcase

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## **DRIVE TRAIN**

Standard Transmission: manual five-speed with synchromesh on all forward gears; direct drive in

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## STEERING

Power-assisted rack and pinion. Steering Wheel: alloy three-spoke, 13.25 in diameter, padded rim. Turns lock-to-lock: 2.8. Turning Circle: 31.6-ft.

### SUSPENSION

Front: independent, MacPherson strut with coil springs and tubular shock absorbers, anti-sway bar. Rear: four-link live rear axle, coil spring and tubular shock absorbers, anti-sway bar.

### BRAKES

Power assisted hydraulic, dual circuit. Front: 9.61in. diameter discs. Rear: 9-in. diameter selfadjusting drums.

## **WHEELS & TIRES**

Wheels: cast alloy vented, 13.0 in. diameter x 5.5J. Tires: 185/70HRx13 steel-belted radial ply.

## **ELECTRICAL SYSTEM**

Negative ground, 12-volt. Battery Rating: 68 amps at 20-hour rate. Alternator: 55 amps (65 amps with air conditioning).

Two-door steel-paneled monocogue body Forward-hinged hood with interior latch and selflocking support stay; front air spoiler. Locking trunk with automatic lid support, trunk light. Tinted glass. Waterproof folding top incorporating zipper-opening rear window. Energy-absorbing bumpers front and rear.

## INTERIOR

Individual contoured bucket seats with colorcoordinated interior trim, reclining seat back with coordinated interior trim, reclining seat back with adjustable head restraints. Safety three-point inertia-reel seat belts. Pile carpet Center console with storage bin and lockable glovebox. Doormounted three-position courtesy lights. Left footrest.

INSTRUMENTS & CONTROLS

Speedometer with trip adometer. Electric tachometer. Water temperature, fuel and battery condition against Warraing lights for vehicle status.

condition gauges. Warning lights for vehicle status and vital functions. Multi-purpose lever on left side of steering column controls horn, low beam/high beam and flasher, directional turn signals; right side lever controls electric windshield washer, two-speed wipers with single-wipe capability. Heater/defroster with three-speed fan. Electric clock with sweep second hand. Centrally located slide switches for headlights, fog lamps (optional) and four-way hazard warning flashers. Lever controls for heater, ventilation and air conditioning (optional). Cigarette lighter. Rheostat dimmer for instrument panel lights. Multi-adjustable face level air vents in center and outer edges of dash.

# INTERIOR DIMENSIONS Front seat headroom

39.5 in. Front seat legroom (maximum)
Front seat shoulder width 41.5 in. 53.0 in. 9.7 cu. ft. Trunk capacity (gross)

## **EXTERIOR DIMENSIONS**

85.0 in.
165.4 in.
49.5 in.
66.2 in.
55.5 in.
55.3 in.
3.6 in.
2677 lbs.

## **ACCESSORIES & OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT**

Air conditioning; solid state AM/FM stereo, and AM/FM stereo with 8-track or cassette tape player; luggage rack; striping kits; floor mats; fog

## COMPETITION INFORMATION

Write to: Jaguar Rover Triumph Competition Department, 600 Willow Tree Road, Leonia, New Jersey 07605; or P.O. Box 459, Brisbane, California 94005.

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