

KINGSWOOD SL



Drive a real change for a change.

Kingswood SL.



Take a good look at this Kingswood SL. Then take a good ride in it and get the confident road handling of Radial Tuned Suspension. You'll be surprised by its stability. You'll be amazed by its agility. And you'll be delighted by its high level of standard equipment. That's because you'll be in command of one of the finest-handling, best-equipped cars in its class.



Kingswood SL. Equipped with Holden's exclusive Radial Tuned Suspension. Designed from the road up around steel-belted radial ply tyres on wide wheels for real road feel. And designed from the inside out for maximum comfort and convenience. It's a car you can be



proud to own. Because it's a car that drives as well as it looks.

If one look says a lot about the Kingswood SL, one drive will say it all. That's because its Radial Tuned Suspension design is engineered to handle any road up to its maximum design load without special suspension modifications. No doubt about it. Driving a Kingswood SL with Radial Tuned Suspension is the most confident driving ever.





Inside the Kingswood SL, you'll find a level of driver satisfaction that comes from a very high level of equipment. The front seats are fully reclining, fully comfortable, full-foam buckets. There's a padded armrest and storage compartment. And throughout the car, there's the luxury and hush of door-to-door loop pile carpeting.



Meanwhile, back in the driver's seat, there's no question who's in control. At your fingertips, there's an efficient column-mounted control stalk to regulate your wipers, washers, turn signals, and the dimming and flashing of the high-intensity quartz halogen headlamps.

A push-button radio is standard equipment, too. So is two-speed fan-boosted ventilation, plus an electric rear window demister on the SL Sedan.



You've got Holden's gutsy and reliable 3.3 litre Six going for you. (Or you can order up the optional 4.2 or 5.0 litre engines.) And you've got big power-assisted front discs and rear drums for safe, sure stopping. For added stopping capabilities, you can also order optional four-wheel power disc brakes with the 4.2 or 5.0 litre engines.



We combined peace and

Recessed areas built into the backs of the bucket seats provide more knee room for rear seat passengers.

(If you prefer, you can order a full-width front bench seat with a fold-down armrest for maximum passenger capacity and comfort. With the bench seat, your SL's rear seat passengers can be extra comfortable, too, with an optional fold-down centre armrest.)

In front of you, there's a soft-grip steering wheel and an instrument panel with easy-to-read symbols. And for news, weather, music and sports while you travel, the Kingswood SL is equipped with push-button radio, complete with a lockable aerial. Up front, there's a well-designed two-speed fan-boosted ventilation system, while an efficient heated rear window demister helps clear your hindsight on the SL Sedan.

Kingswood SL's front end is highlighted by good looks and practicality. High-intensity quartz halogen headlamps are poised to pierce the darkness, while super-thick rubber bumper strips are poised to protect your Kingswood SL's contemporary grille.

There's still more protection along the side, with full-length rub strips to help your SL guard itself from car park nicks and bings. Bringing up the rear, Kingswood SL's deck lid adds refined good looks, while covering a large boot that features a built-in steel cargo guard barrier.

Last, but far from least, the Kingswood SL's steel-belted radial ply tyres are stylishly accented by tasteful, bright metal wheel covers.

For less down time, more road time and a real cost saving, routine service intervals are now extended to twice a year or every 10,000 kilometres. And with Radial Tuned Suspension, the need for periodic tyre rotation has been completely eliminated.

Kingswood SL. One of the family of finest handling Australian cars ever built. Equipped with all the riding comfort you expect. Plus the driving confidence you deserve.

Kingswood SL with Radial Tuned Suspension. Peace and quiet with peace of mind.



Inside Kingswood SL:
Relax in the lap of luxury.

Welcome aboard and make it easy on yourself. The Kingswood SL interior was designed to let you do just that.

Up front, you relax in the full-foam reclining bucket seats. They've been designed and scientifically tested for long-distance comfort and support. Specially constructed of resilient foam, they curve and contour gently for correct shoulder, back and hip support. Between the seats, there's a restful and useful armrest that tops an undercover storage compartment.

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Soft-grip steering wheel.



Push-button radio.



Two-speed, fan-boosted ventilation.



Electric rear window demister. (Sedan model.)



Steel-belted radials and full wheel covers.



Distinctive rear deck styling.



Multi-function control stalk.



Quartz halogen headlamps, rubber bumper inserts.



Recessed front seats for more rear passenger leg room.

Kingswood SL Wagon.



The Kingswood SL Wagon has got what it takes to take what you've got.

First, it's got Radial Tuned Suspension, so there's no need for special suspension modifications. The SL Wagon is ready to take it, with deeper coil spring suspension at all four wheels and larger diameter shock absorbers to soak up the bumps. Its long 114" wheelbase means a smoother ride, too. And thanks to Radial Tuned Suspension, it's one of the safest handling, most relaxing wagons ever built in Australia.

So when you're ready to head for the hills, the beach or the bush, just unlatch the rear seat and load up. And what a load space! Almost seven feet long with the tailgate closed, and four feet wide between the wheel wells. Plus there's a hidden storage area under the floor big enough for your camera, cassette deck and other valuables.

Up front, slip into comfortable bucket seats. They're full-foam, body contoured, fully reclining and covered in comfortable, durable, good-looking vinyl.

Speaking of comfort, Holden's power ventilation gives you two fan speeds and six air outlets for even distribution of fresh air. Plus a powerful heater-demister that warms the whole wagon quickly, even in the coldest weather. And loop pile carpeting throughout the passenger area adds luxury, comfort and durability.

It's a great looker, outside, too. Quartz halogen headlamps highlight the way. (Especially helpful when you're off the beaten path.)

Holden's strong and trusty 3.3 litre Six is the standard engine. Or you can move up to Holden's optional 4.2 or 5.0 litre engines. No matter which one you choose, you'll travel in comfort and you'll travel with confidence.

Holden Kingswood SL Wagon with Radial Tuned Suspension. The smooth way to rough it.

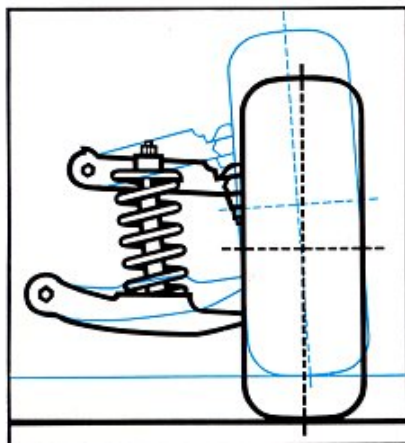


Holden Radial Tuned Suspension.



RTS gives you improved steering response and handling, better road holding, better cornering, more durability, and improved riding comfort, with a quieter, smoother ride. There's less road shock and vibration. There's improved straight ahead stability. And our tests indicate that Holden's steel-belted radial ply tyres increase the kilometre per dollar investment ratio in each tyre by 47% and the fuel economy by 5% over the biased ply tyre.

There's improved load carrying ability. Plus improved steering while you drive it and when you park it. And it gives you more driving confidence and satisfaction whatever the road, whatever the design load. (RTS also eliminates the need for special suspension modifications.)



Front suspension is computer-designed to keep optimum tyre tread on the road while cornering.

That's because Radial Tuned Suspension is computer-calculated from the road up around steel-belted radial ply tyres on six-inch-wide rims, so the tracking is wider. There are front and rear stabiliser bars for flatter cornering. The four-coil suspension is deeper. There are re-designed rubber bushes. The shock absorbers are specially calibrated for greatly improved ride and handling. RTS is a sophisticated design which integrates all the suspension components into one finely tuned system.



Holden's evasive capability is superb. In situations where a collision was previously inevitable, the driver can call upon exceptionally quick steering response, tremendous tyre adhesion to the road, predictable cornering with a minimum of body lean, reduced chance of skidding or spinning into an accident.

We are proud that GMH automotive engineering has reached a point where we can offer this capability to Holden drivers.

Some drivers will appreciate Holden's spirited road performance. Others may choose Holden for its exceptional riding qualities. Or its easy driving characteristics that result from confident stability on the highway.

But at GMH we take greatest pride in the new dimension of safety we can now offer the Holden driver. Safe and predictable handling. The ability to avoid an accident. And that ability is the result of Radial Tuned Suspension.



Radial Tuned Suspension

RTS Engineering List.

- Steel-belted radial ply tyres.
- Wider wheel rims.
- Front stabiliser bar.
- Rear stabiliser bar (decoupled.)
- Longer, deeper coil springs.
- Larger diameter shock absorbers.
- Re-designed shock absorber mountings.
- Negative front camber.
- Positive front castor.
- Re-designed and re-located upper control arm brackets.
- Re-designed suspension bushings (radially hard, longitudinally soft.)
- Re-designed larger front suspension compression bumper.
- Re-designed rear axle lower control arm bushings.
- Re-designed body mounting system for reduced body flex.
- Stiffer steering connecting rod insulators.
- More rigid steering column attachments.
- (Optional power steering re-designed for improved driving feel.)



Kingswood SL Engineering.



Seat belts for all occupants, including retractable dual sensitive belts for outboard front seat positions.
Underslung isolated fuel tank and external fuel lines.
Cargo guard luggage compartment barrier (Sedan model).
Power-assisted front disc, rear drum brakes.

4.2 litre V8. You get added performance plus proven Holden durability, and you get it for a lot less than you might think.

For heavy towing with power to spare, order up the spirited, top-of-the-line 5.0 litre V8. You'll get steady, smooth power, plus responsive Holden performance. (Check with your Dealer for recommended rear axle towing ratios.)

For extra stopping power (and caravanning confidence) when you order either the 4.2 or 5.0 litre engine, 4-wheel power disc brakes are an available option.

Consider the convenience of 3-speed automatic transmission. Four-speed manual transmission. Limited-slip differential. Fully integrated air conditioning. Tinted laminated windshield. Vinyl roof (Sedan model). Full-foam bench seats with fold-down centre armrests, front and rear.

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Standard Equipment.

3.3 litre 6-cylinder engine.
Steel-belted radial ply tyres.
Front and rear stabiliser bars.
Power-assisted brake system — front discs, rear drums.
Full-foam reclining front bucket seats.
Centre armrest/seat separator.
Soft-grip steering wheel.
Column-mounted control stalk.
Push-button radio with locking aerial.
Two-speed fan-boosted ventilation.
Electrically heated rear window (Sedan model).
Quartz halogen headlamps.
Front and rear bumper impact strips.
Loop pile carpeting.
Body side mouldings.
Full wheel covers.
Front and rear door armrests. (Sedan model).
Cigarette lighter.

Optional Equipment.

For extra power when you want and need it, order the optional

Specifications.

Engine: 3.3 litre 6-cylinder
Bore: 3.625" (92.0mm)
Stroke: 3.250" (82.5mm)
Cubic Capacity: 201.25 cu.ins. (3298cm³)
Compression Ratio: 9.4:1
Transmission: 3-speed manual, all synchromesh, column mounted.
Ratios: 1st 3.07:1, 2nd 1.68:1, 3rd 1.00:1, Rev. 3.59:1
Rear Axle: Type — Banjo housing with live axles. Ratio: 3.55:1
Radial Tuned Suspension:
Front — Independent short and long arms, with specially rated coil springs and shock absorbers.
Rear — 4 links with specially rated coil springs and calibrated shock absorbers.
Front and rear stabiliser bars.
Brakes: Power-assisted system.
Front — discs.
Rear — duo servo drums.
Standard Tyres: ER78S14 steel-belted radial ply on 6"-wide rims.
Fuel Tank Capacity: 16.5 gals. (75.0 litres)
Wheelbase:
Sedan — 111.0" (2819mm)
Wagon — 114.0" (2896mm)
Track:
Front — Sedan 60.55" (1538mm)
Wagon 60.43" (1535mm)
Rear — Sedan 61.30" (1557mm)
Wagon 61.18" (1554mm)

Overall Length:
Sedan 190.8" (4846mm)
Wagon 192.8" (4897mm)
Overall Width: 74.5" (1892mm)
Overall Height:
Sedan — 55.1" (1400mm)
Wagon — 55.7" (1415mm)
Turning Circle: Kerb to Kerb —
Sedan — 39.7' (12.1m).
Wagon — 40.5' (12.5m).
Ground Clearance:
Sedan — 6.8" (173mm)
Wagon — 6.8" (173mm)
Estimated Kerb Weight:
Sedan — 3018 lbs. (1369kg)
Wagon — 3186 lbs. (1445kg)

Safety Features.

Safety first. The GMH Safety Design Test Centre is the largest, most comprehensive, most advanced proving ground complex in Australia.

Holden Safety features include:
Radial Tuned Suspension.
Energy-absorbing steering column.
Tandem brake master cylinder — split hydraulic circuits.
Energy-absorbing sun visors.
Electric windshield washers with 2-speed wipers.
2-speed heater/demister.
Brake system failure warning light.
Parking brake warning light.
Front seat integral head restraints.

Kingswood SL Power Train.

Engine	Standard Transmission	Optional Transmission
Standard 3.3 litre Six-cyl.	3-speed manual	4-speed manual 4-speed wide ratio manual Tri-matic automatic
Optional 4.2 litre V8	3-speed manual	4-speed manual High performance 4-speed manual Tri-matic automatic
Optional 5.0 litre V8	—	High performance 4-speed manual Turbo-Hydramatic automatic

