



WILLYS JEEPSTER

Display Vehicle: 1948 Willys Jeepster

Sub-Title: Willys Sport Roadster

Year of production: from 1948 to 1950

Technical specs

Wheelbase: 104 in. (264 cm)

Length: 178.5 in. (453 cm)
Weight: 2,500 lbs. (1,134 kg)

Engine: In-line L-head four-cylinder

Horsepower: 63 hp

Displacement: 134.2 cu. in. (2.2L)

Bore/Stroke: 3.125 in. x 4.375 in. (7.9 cm x 11.1 cm)

Compression ratio: 6.48:1

Transmission: Three-speed manual

Historical background

To compete in the booming postwar auto industry, Willys-Overland fielded a trio of civilian derivatives of its famed wartime Jeep®: the de-militarized CJ-2A, the industry's first steel-bodied Station Wagon and the sporty Jeepster, introduced in 1948.

Available for only three years, the sun- and fun-oriented Jeepster was built on the same platform as the Jeep Station Wagon. The brightly-trimmed, rear-wheel-drive, five-passenger Jeepster touring car came with a folding top and plastic side curtains. In total, 19,132 units were produced in its whole life cycle.