

everything.



1998 Stratus  The New Dodge





We started by questioning the concept that a four-door sedan has to be dull. We wondered why our proven cab-forward design — that provides a veritably cavernous 111.6 cubic feet of combined passenger and cargo space — couldn't be combined with a few racing-inspired performance features. Like a fully independent, modified double-wishbone suspension. As a result, Dodge Stratus cruised onto Car and Driver's "Ten Best" list for the last three years in a row. Then we had the idea of linking the convenience of an automatic transaxle with the control of a manual, and came up with a standard AutoStick® on Stratus ES models equipped with the available V6 engine. Now you can hold gears longer for better acceleration, or tap down a gear to set up for that next corner, just like Formula One race drivers, or simply place the gear selector in overdrive and go. The result: Dodge Stratus rules the Super Touring Car Circuit of the North American Touring Car Championship (NATCC) with five wins, eight poles, and 17 podium finishes in our first season.



Finally, we asked ourselves why nobody else thought of offering all this to you before. Dodge Stratus. You have questions, we have answers.

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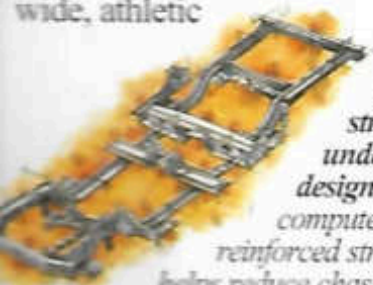




Stratus ES shown in Flame Red

We prepared for your enthusiastic response.

It's all a question of balance. Cab-forward design provides part of the answer, by moving the wheels out toward the corners. The result is a roomy four-door sedan with a wide, athletic



Rigid straight-rail underbody design with computer-analyzed reinforced stress points helps reduce chassis flex and roll for firm, sure handling.

stance to help you dive into corners with sufficient agility to get you out again.

With wedge-like body lines, Stratus not only looks capable of winning races, it does. Three

Control the road, with a fully independent, modified double-wishbone suspension.



different multivalve engines offer increasing loads of horsepower and torque.

To further inspire confidence, you get a fully independent, modified double-wishbone suspension that knows the difference between a pothole and a hairpin. And the available

speed-sensitive, rack-and-pinion steering system provides plenty of road input at highway speeds, yet allows easy maneuvering for parking situations.



If that's not inspiration enough, grab yourself an AutoStick[®] automatic transaxle attached to the available V6 engine, and enjoy on-demand "clutchless" manual shifting (like the Formula One drivers use) for plenty of lift off the line.



AutoStick transaxle (standard on Stratus ES models equipped with the available V6 engine) combines the convenience of an automatic with the performance and control of a manual.

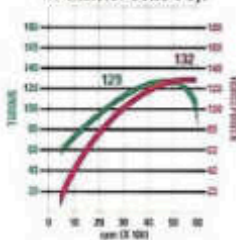


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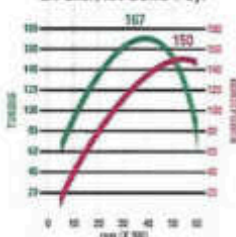


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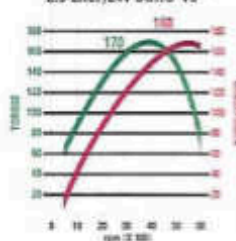
2.0-Liter/16V SOHC 4-Cyl



2.4-Liter/16V DOHC 4-Cyl

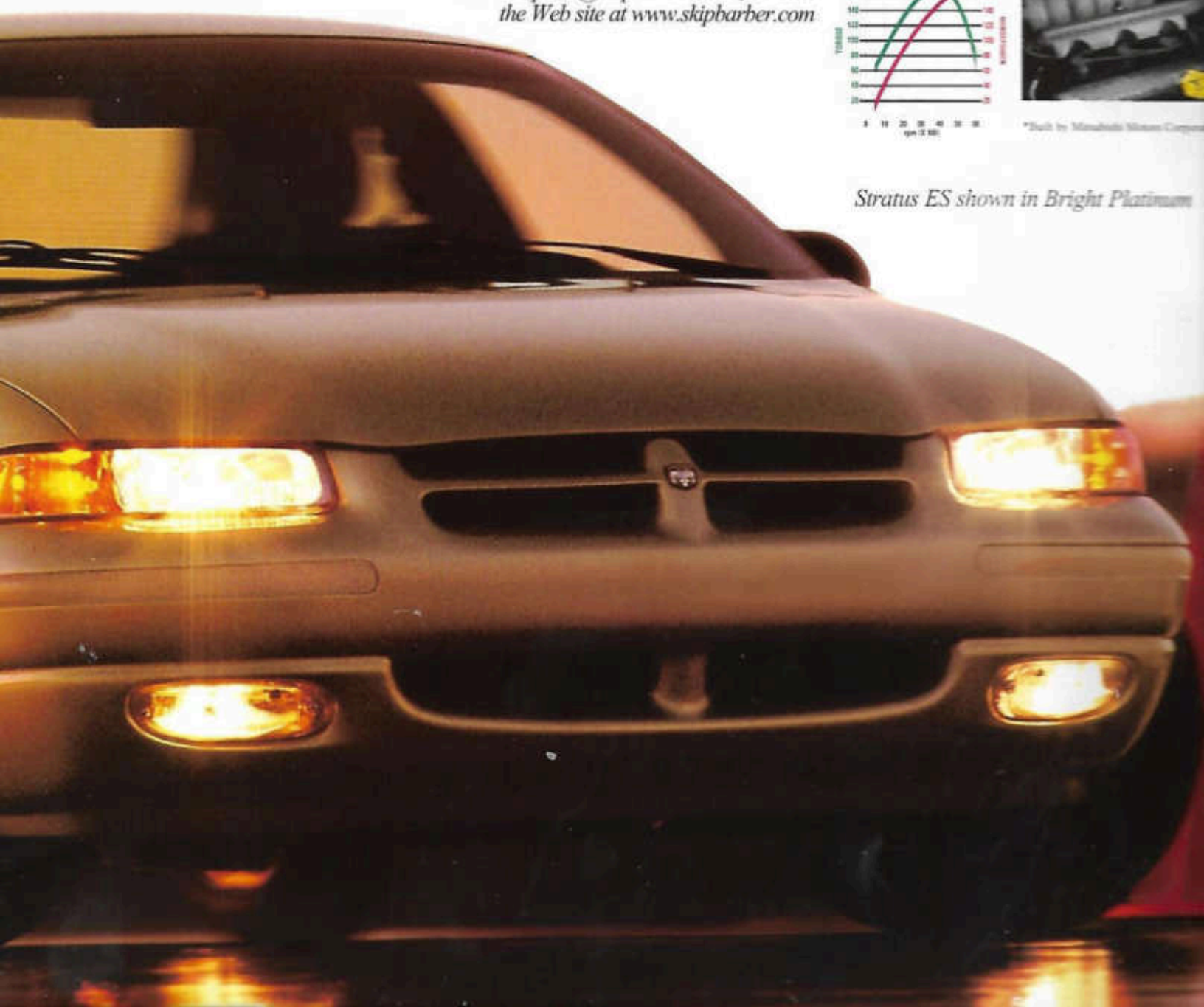


2.5-Liter/24V SOHC V6*



*Built by Mitsubishi Motors Corporation

Stratus ES shown in Bright Platinum



Ergonomically advantaged.

Inside the inherent spaciousness of cab-forward design, you'll find an almost obsessive dedication to the driver.

It starts with a steering wheel designed to handle your input, with

Switches are placed at your fingertips. Available power window and door lock switches are illuminated to help you find your way safely in the dark.



AM/FM stereo CD player radio with three-band graphic equalizer is one of several fine stereo sound system options. See pages 14 and 15 for specific availability.

available speed controls placed under your thumbs. A quick throw, standard five-speed transaxle is just a downshift away on the floor-mounted console. To ensure every



Stratus driver travels in comfort, a height-adjustable steering column is also standard.

Go ahead, honk the horn. It's located right where we found most drivers want it to be — under the

center pad of the steering wheel.



Standard height-adjustable steering column adjusts to your own preferred driving position.

And you'll easily find headlamps, turn signals, instrument panel lamps, speed-sensitive intermittent wipers, and optional fog lamps conveniently located a finger's-length away on each side of the steering wheel. What's more, the large, easy-to-read gauges are amber-colored at night for better visibility.

All temperature and sound system controls are set in the center of the instrument panel, where they are equally accessible to both the driver and the front-passenger, so you won't be distracted by requests.



Maximum visibility of the road ahead is achieved with a steeply raked windshield. This extreme 63-degree angle not only improves your view, it maximizes aerodynamic efficiency to also improve your mood at the gas pump.

And when you do take a look at the road ahead, thanks to a lowered hood line, and steeply raked windshield, you'll clearly see the road ahead.





Sratta interior shown in Agate



It's the most versatile travel kit you'll ever own.

We questioned all the things you could do with 95.9 cubic feet of interior volume.

Answer one: Design a rear seatback that folds down to increase the

111.6 cubic feet of combined passenger and cargo space means never having to say you're full.



carrying capacity of the already huge trunk. The seatback releases from a convenient locking pushbutton on the rear shelf of the interior, so you're able to load up from inside the vehicle.





Covered storage center console keeps everything in its place, including beverages with two cup holders in the front and two stowable cup holders in the rear.

Answer two: Make air conditioning standard with rear-seat climate control outlets designed to deliver cool air or heat to the passengers in back.

Answer three: Minimize noise, vibration, and ride harshness with a variety of insulators, isolators, and deadeners to achieve optimum sanctuary.

Answer four: Pick all of the above. And fill it with comfort, convenience, and visual attractions. Then design the seats to maximize comfort using computer-aided engineering that can identify and eliminate "high-pressure" points to ensure the last mile traveled will be as enjoyable as the first.

For even greater comfort, make leather-trimmed seats and an eight-way power driver's seat available as a package option on Stratus ES.

Stratus ES driver's seat can be adjusted up or down for maximum comfort using a hand-operated telescoping handle. Manually adjustable lumbar support individualizes the seat even more.



A huge trunk with low liftover: 15.7 cubic feet of cargo space means you can take it with you when you go. Spring-operated hinges, with gas struts on the trunk lid, make loading and unloading easier.

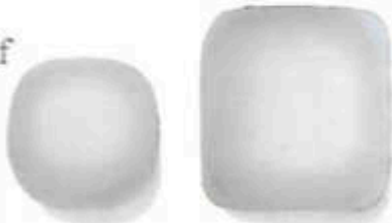


Optional Integrated Child Seat folds down from the rear seatback center position to provide the greatest protection in the event of a side impact. Designed for children one year or older, who weigh between 20 and 66 pounds and are between 28 and 50 inches in height; includes fixed rear seatback. Not available on Stratus ES.

Stratus interior shown in Agate

Our looks aren't the only thing that will stop you in your tracks.

When you find yourself spellbound by the sheer beauty of our exterior finish, keep in mind that it's the result of a unique seven-step corrosion protection process that not only looks great now, but will also look great later. And while our advanced sub-forward design improves not only stability and handling, remember it also offers increased front and rear visibility. And that the sporty twin-post exterior mirrors channel airflow so efficiently, they even manage to reroute the rain for



Standard Next Generation driver and front-passenger air bags* inflate in milliseconds in the event of a severe frontal impact.



Standard height-adjustable three-point seat/shoulder belts offer five different positions and traveling inboard buckles for maximum comfort — and protection — for both driver and front-seat passenger.

*Certified to the new Federal Regulations that allow a less forceful air bag. Always use seat belts. Remember a backseat is the safest place for children.

better side window visibility.

If you do see trouble ahead, the answer is an optional antilock brake system (available on all models) which helps prevent wheel

lockup during emergency stops.

In addition, standard safety features, such as steel side-guard door beams, and front and rear crush zones designed to crumple on impact, help absorb the energy that might otherwise cause injury.

We further answered personal protection concerns with an optional Security Group which includes remote keyless entry, illuminated entry, panic alarm, and headlamp time delay. Pushing the panic button on the key fob

Standard child-protection rear door locks will not allow the rear doors to be opened from the inside when the selector lever is engaged.



Standard dynamic side-impact protection: Both front and rear doors feature steel side-guard door beams that help absorb energy during a side-impact collision and meet federal dynamic side-impact standards.

activates the panic mode, causing the horn to sound, as well as both the interior lamps and headlamps



to flash. An optional Vehicle Theft Security System is also available on Stratus ES.

Because when it comes to your safety and longevity, we believe you can't have too much of a good thing.

Stratus ES shown in Bright Platinum





Stratus ES shown in Deep Slate

Standard features and options.

| ITEM | STRATUS | STRATUS ES |
|---|---------|------------|
| Air Bags — Next Generation driver and front-passenger | S | S |
| Air Conditioning — CFC-free refrigerant, manual temperature control | S | S |
| Passenger Handles — Overhead for front and rear passengers (included with optional sunroof on Stratus) | P | S |
| Wheels | | |
| — Power front disc/rear drum | S | S |
| — Power front disc/rear drum with antilock | O | O |
| Large Net — Trunk | | P |
| Climate Control Outlets — Front and rear | S | S |
| Jack — Digital, integral to all radios | S | S |
| Cold Weather Group — Engine block and battery heater | O | O |
| Console — Floor, front section includes storage bin with rubber mat, cubby bin and 2 cup holders, center section includes covered storage armrest with coin and pen holders, rear section includes 2 stowable rear cup holders | S | S |
| Cup Holders | | |
| — Front (2) rear (2) stowable | S | S |
| Wiper — Rear window | S | S |
| Door Locks | | |
| — Power, auto speed-sensitive | P | S |
| — Child protection rear doors | S | S |
| Door Beams Side Impact Protection — Includes steel side-guard door beams and structural reinforcements | S | S |
| Emissions System — Emissions controls for Maine and states bordering California, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New York (automatically selected for vehicles sold in CT, MA and NY) | O | O |
| Exhaust System — Long life stainless steel | S | S |
| Seat Belts | | |
| — Front, equipped | S | S |
| — Rear, equipped | P | S |
| Instrument Cluster — Analog, includes speedometer, displays for odometer, trip odometer, low oil and electric PRRQ (automatic transaxle only); gauges for fuel level, engine coolant temperature, warning lamps for brake system, ABS (if so equipped), low oil pressure, high engine coolant temperature, check engine, charging system, low oil, seat belts, air bags and indicator lamps for high beam headlamps, turn signals, speed feedback and speed control (not available with manual transaxle on base models) | S | S |
| Lighting System | | |
| — Dual aerodynamic composite halogen headlamps, integral park and turn, front and rear side markers, 3-color taillamps | S | S |
| — Fog lamps | | S |
| Interior | | |
| — Doms, cup holder/handtray, glove box, trunk | S | S |
| — Dual overhead front courtesy/reading lamps (included with optional sunroof on Stratus) | P | S |
| Windows | | |
| Center Console | | |
| — Dual manual remote control, twin-post, black | S | |
| — Dual power heated, twin-post, black | P | S |
| Interior | | |
| — Dual covered visor vanity | S | |
| — Dual covered/illuminated visor vanity (included with optional sunroof on Stratus) | P | S |
| Power Outlet — 12-volt, located in instrument panel | S | S |
| Seats | | |
| — Vector cloth, front buckets with 2-way head restraints, reclining seatbacks and rear bench with folding seatback | S | |

| ITEM (CONT.) | STRATUS | STRATUS ES |
|---|----------------|------------|
| Seats Cont. | | |
| — Manual seat-height adjuster - driver | P | S |
| — Integrated Child Seat (includes fixed rear seatback) | O | |
| — Jigsaw premium cloth, buckets with driver-side manual seat-height adjuster and lumbar support, reclining seatbacks, 2-way head restraints, passenger seatback map pocket and rear bench with folding seatback | | S |
| — Leather-trimmed, buckets with 2-way head restraints, passenger seatback map pocket, 8-way power driver seat and rear bench with folding seatback | | P |
| Security Group — Remote keyless entry, illuminated entry, panic alarm and headlamp time delay | O | O/P |
| Shoulder Belts — Height-adjustable, driver and front-passenger | S | S |
| Sound Systems | | |
| — AM/FM stereo radio with cassette player and 6 speakers | S | S |
| — AM/FM stereo radio with CD player, 3-band graphic equalizer and 6 speakers | O | O |
| — Premium AM/FM stereo radio with cassette player, CD changer controls, 100 watts of amplification and 8 speakers in 6 locations | O | O |
| — Premium AM/FM stereo radio with cassette player, CD changer controls, in-dash 6-disc CD changer and 6 speakers | O | O |
| Speed Control — Electronic with steering wheel-mounted controls | P ² | S |
| Steering | | |
| — Power, rack-and-pinion | S | S |
| — Power, speed-sensitive | | S |
| Steering Column — Tilt | S | S |
| Steering Wheel — Leather-wrapped | | S |
| Sunroof — Power (includes passenger assist handles, front reading lamps and illuminated visor vanity mirrors on Stratus) | O | O |
| Suspension — Modified double-wishbone, front high-arm with sway bar; rear, low-arm multilink with sway bar | S | S |
| Tachometer | S | S |
| Tires | | |
| — P195/70R14 BSW (4) | S | |
| — P195/65R15 BSW, all-season (4) | | S |
| — Spare tire, compact | S | S |
| — Spare tire, full-size | O | O |
| Trunk Lid Release — Remote | S | S |
| Vehicle Theft Security System — Monitors doors, ignition and trunk key cylinders | | O |
| Wheels | | |
| — Wheel covers - 14" | S | |
| — Wheel - 15" cast aluminum | | S |
| Windows | | |
| — Power with driver's one-touch-down feature | P | S |
| — Tinted glass, all windows including solar windshield | S | S |
| Wiper System — Variable intermittent mode, speed-sensitive | S | S |

S = Standard. P = Included as part of a package. O = Optional. Blank space = Not available.

² Certified to the new Federal Regulations that allow less forceful air bags. Always use seat belts. Remember a backseat is the safest place for children.

³ Not available with manual transaxle on base models.

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Candy Apple Red



Deep Cranberry



Deep Amethyst



Deep Slate



Stone White



Bright Platinum



Champagne



Alpine Green



Forest Green



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| Interior carpeted | | • | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Power heated seats | | • | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Power Driver's Seat Adjuster — Driver | | • | \$ | \$ | |
| Power Driver's Seat Adjuster — Electronic | | • [†] | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Power Driver's Seat Adjuster — Manual | | • | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Power windows — Includes remote keyless entry, panic alarm and headlamp time delay | | | | | • |
| Power windows — Cloth buckets | | | \$ | \$ | |
| Power windows — Trimmed | | | | | • |
| Power windows — Power driver's | | | | | • |
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| Power windows — Sun | | | | | • |

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| ABS — 4-wheel front disc/rear drum with antilock | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| ABS — Includes engine block and | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ABS — Emissions controls for Maine and California, Connecticut, Massachusetts automatically selected for vehicles sold in 1995 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ABS — Monitors doors, ignition and trunk | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ABS — Child Seat | 0 | 0 | | | • |
| ABS — AM/FM stereo radio with CD player, equalizer and 6 speakers | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ABS — Premium AM/FM stereo radio with singer controls and 6 speakers in 6 locations | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ABS — Premium AM/FM stereo radio with singer controls, in-dash 5-disc CD speakers | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ABS — Air-ride | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ABS — Security System | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |

0 = Included in package; • = Optional
 † = Driver's Seat Adjuster
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- A 14-inch steel wheels with wheel cover
- B 15-inch cast aluminum road wheel
- C Mopar's optional 15-inch silver-toned aluminum wheel



High-quality Mopar Accessories are specially designed by Dodge engineers to fit your Stratus exactly. For information on Mopar comfort, convenience, and appearance accessories, ask your dealer for a copy of the brochure shown here.

Fabric/Trim

Dodge Stratus' selection of interior seat coverings includes (from left to right): Vector Cloth, standard on Stratus (shown in Camel, also available in Agate or Silver Fern); Jigsaw Cloth, standard on Stratus ES (shown in Silver Fern, also available in Agate or Camel); and Leather seating surfaces with vinyl trim, optional on Stratus ES only (shown in only available color, Agate).





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* Excludes wiper blades, clutch and brake linings, brake rotors and drums, normal maintenance items and tires (covered by their own manufacturer's warranty).

¹ Road service provided by Cross Country Motor Club, Inc. (In California, Cross Country Motor Club of California, Inc.)



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Chrysler Lease Plans

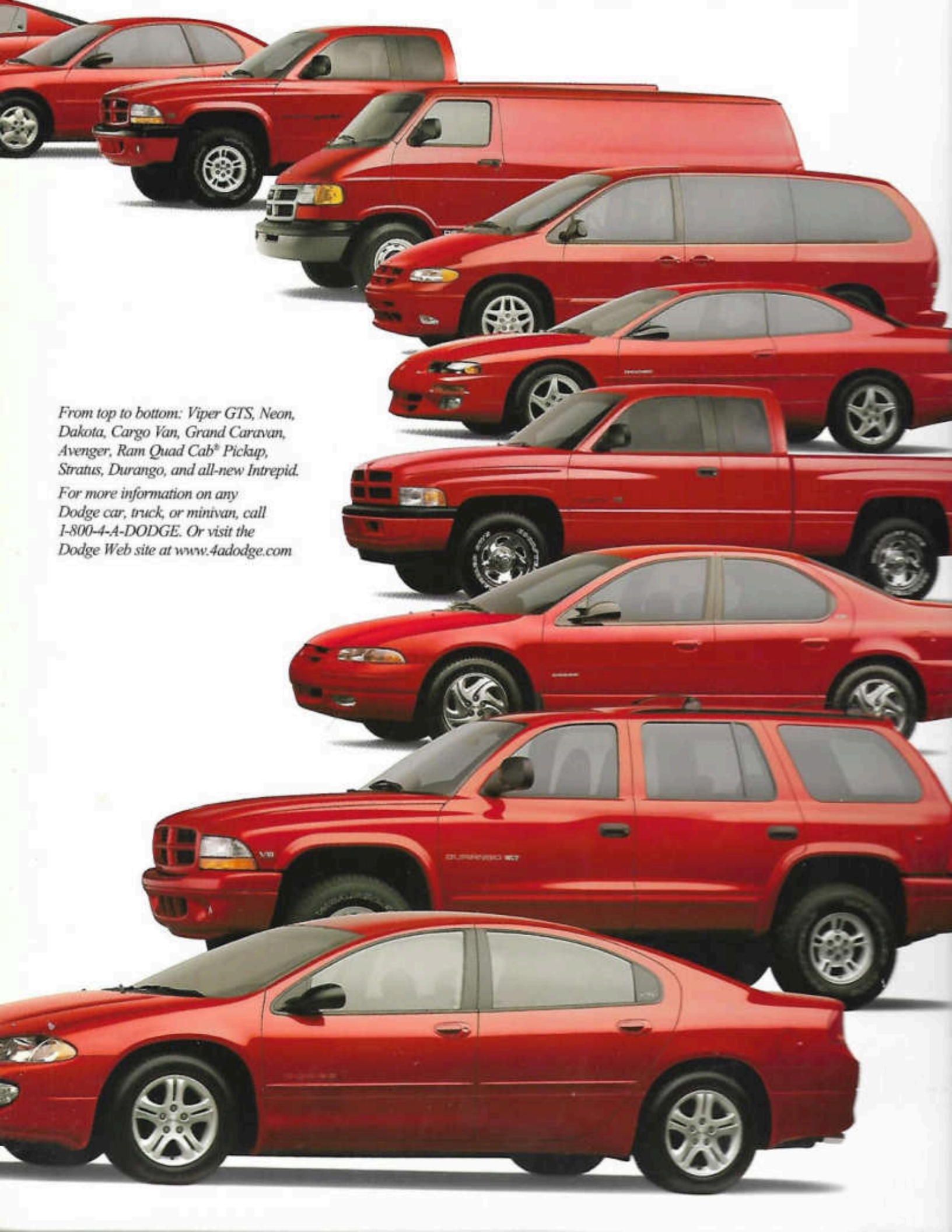
Chrysler Financial's Gold Key Lease has the flexibility to fit your vehicle choice and your lifestyle. If the idea of driving the vehicle you want and paying less for it sounds great, ask about Gold Key Lease.



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Cash reimbursement is available for qualified adaptive driving devices on 1998 Dodge vehicles. Ask your dealer or call Automobility Headquarters at 1-800-255-9877.



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Dakota, Cargo Van, Grand Caravan,
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The New Dodge