

Classic elegance in motorcars...

CONTINENTAL MARK III
and THE 1958 LINCOLN

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THE NEW CONTINENTAL MARK III

and, styled and crafted in the Continental tradition . . .

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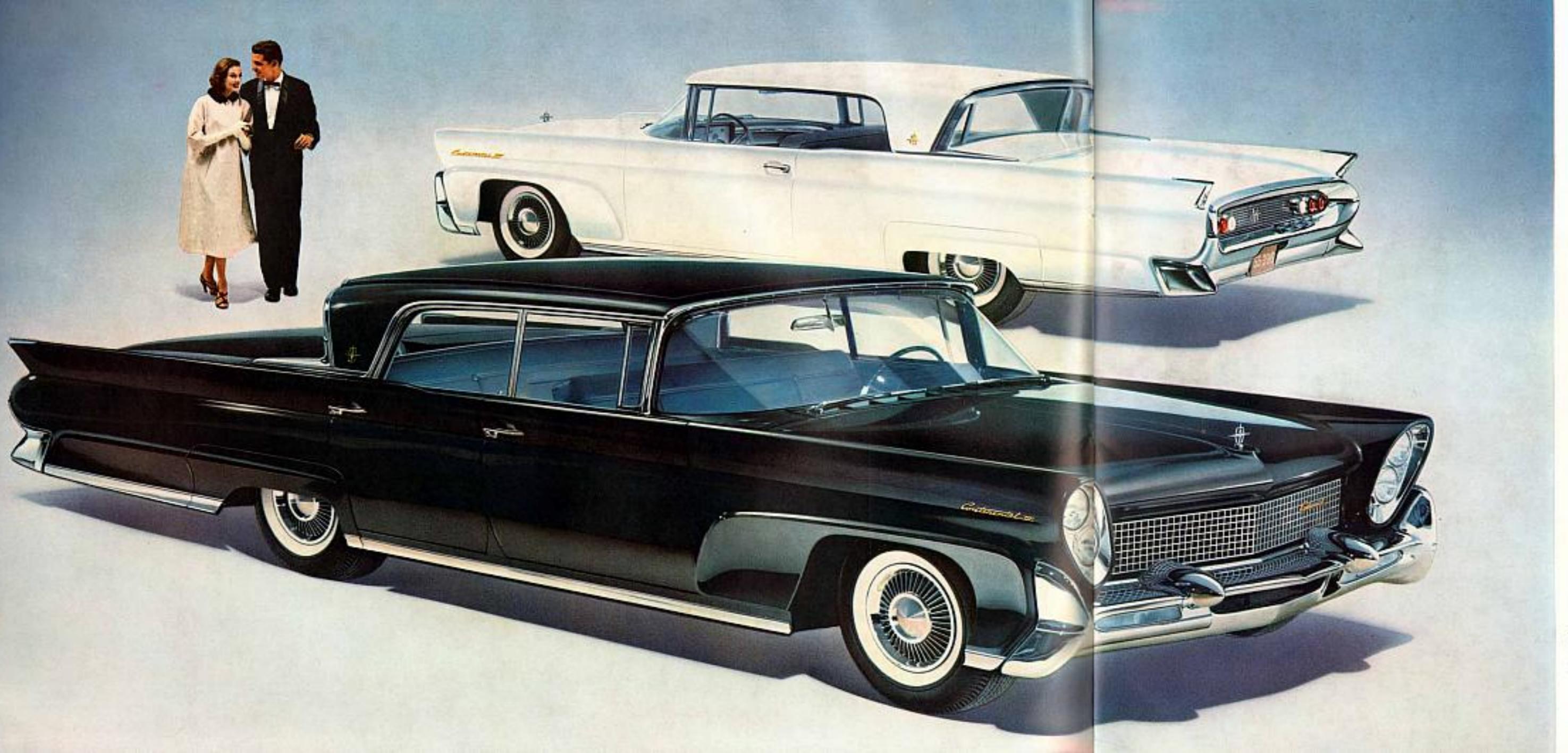
On the following pages, you will see the Lincoln Premiere, the Lincoln Capri and the magnificent new Continental Mark III—cars so new, so advanced, that a completely new plant was built to produce them.

These are the longest, lowest, most spacious cars in the fine car field . . . yet they are lithe and graceful. They have the long Continental hood, the unmistakable roof, and the clean, timeless character of the Continental in every classic line. Inside, there is an elegance that is simply not found in any other motorcar.

In driving these cars, you will discover that here, too, a new measure of motoring excellence now enters the fine car field. The engine is new, the transmission is new, the suspension is new. And now, for an extra measure of comfort and lasting quietness, we bring you the only fine car with single unit body and frame construction.

We invite you to study these pages closely . . . and then to discover first-hand why we say these are the most magnificent fine cars ever built.





The Continental

MARK III

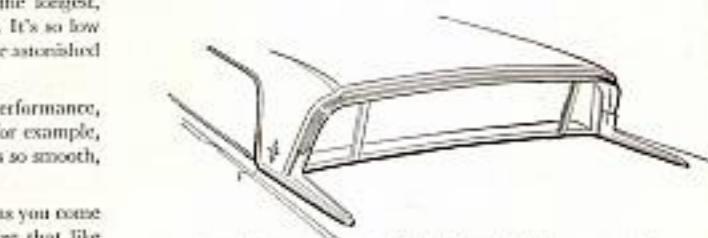
*crafted without compromise . . .
to be the finest motorcar in the world*

In this newest Continental, you see that rare combination of classic beauty and contemporary freshness.

This motorcar is so gracefully proportioned, you may have difficulty realizing that the sedan, for example, is the longest, lowest, most spacious of all time (more than 19 feet). It's so low and swing-to-the-road (a seat 56½ inches) . . . you'll be astonished by the roominess when you step inside.

In appointments, in power luxuries, in superlative performance, this Continental has no equal. The supple leathers, for example, are from Bridge of Weir, Scotland. And the engine is so smooth, you can balance a coin on the hood.

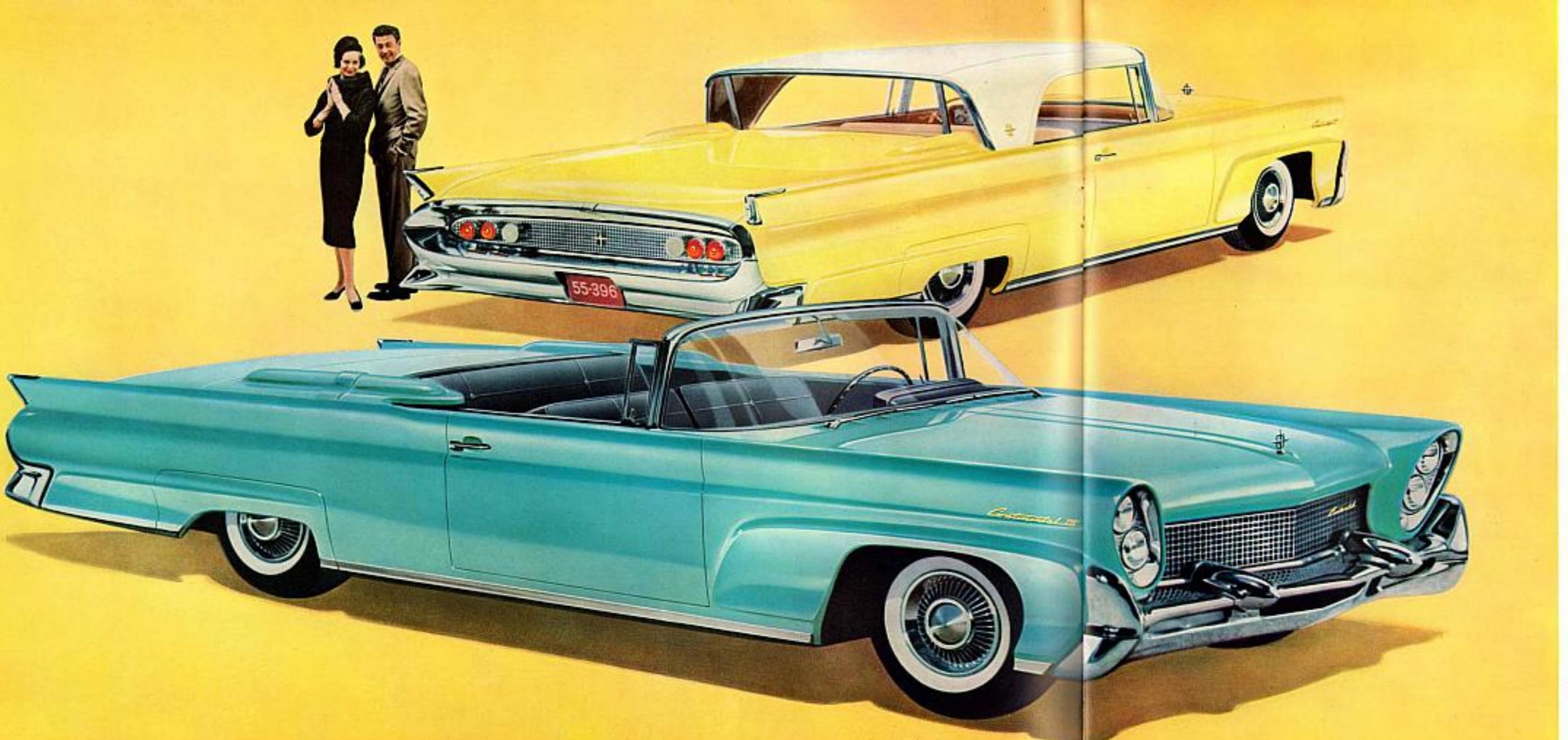
These, of course, are just a few of the highlights, but as you come to know the entire Continental story, you will realize that like its legendary predecessors, the incomparable new Continental is built to standards of luxury and quality that are simply unattainable in any other motorcar.



Retractable rear window—the kind of advanced feature you expect in Continental. Just flick a switch on driver's center control panel and the rear window slides out of sight—to give you open-car ventilation. (On all Continental models, including the Convertible.)

THE CONTINENTAL COUPE is Summit White leather.
Latest version of the classic Continental coupe.

THE CONTINENTAL 4-DOOR is Presidential Blue f.i.M.
The Continental is now in four new models.



The Continental MARK III

The Convertible

The Continental concept of timeless grace has never been more beautifully expressed than in this convertible. And not only is this a new classic of styling, but here are all the engineering and designing advances you've always wanted:

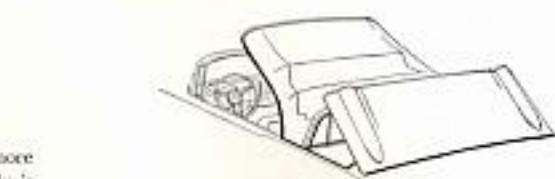
... a back window of real glass, that slides out of sight at a touch of a button from the driver's seat. You enjoy wide-open back window ventilation, quick as a breeze. No more zipping. No unsnapping. And you get real-window visibility. No more "plastic" glass to fog the view.

... a hinged all-steel dark panel that covers your convertible top automatically. It does all the work for you, and gives you the smoothest, trimmest top-down look you've ever seen.

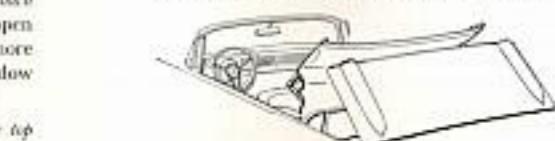
... an exclusive new two-tone top that covers the beauty of classic Continental lines. It's a wonderfully washable vinyl that comes in two distinctive combinations—black-and-white and beige-and-white—and in solid black or solid white.

At the wheel, of course, you will discover still another dimension of the Continental concept. You'll feel the effortless magic of unrivaled handling ease, coupled with the hushed, unlabored power of an engine that's so smoothly responsive your car seems a part of you.

THE CONTINENTAL CONVERTIBLE . . .
in Dazzling Yellow (above) and in Jade (below).



At a touch a single control on the instrument panel like magic, the top does what you want as easy as wishing. The dark panel opens automatically before the top unlocks.



As the top drops down, it moves smoothly and silently and holds neatly down in rear deck. No lag. "Sagging" or back-slapping. Your deck panel does all the work for you.



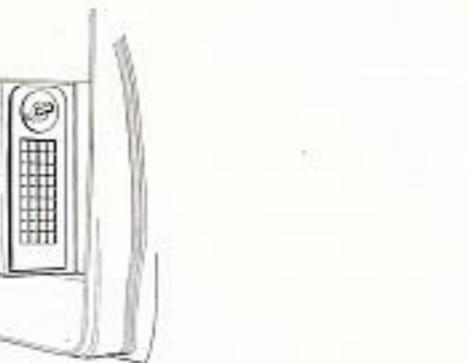
Automatically, the deck panel moves and locks. Touch control again and soft-closing top is up in seconds. You just glide it easily into position to be automatically locked.

The Continental MARK III

Whichever incomparable Continental you select, you will discover in full measure why ownership of this superb automobile is one of the satisfactions of a lifetime. You will find it a serenely restful car to ride in—regardless of the terrain. And with every known power assist, you will find it a supremely easel car to command.

In short, nowhere in the make-up of these magnificent motorcars is there any trace of compromise . . . any slanting of superlative craftsmanship. These Continentals defy comparison with other cars, because such cars as these have never existed before.

THE CONTINENTAL 4 DOOR LANDAU . . . in Claret.



On air-conditioned cars, passengers in the rear compartment can control air direction with just a flick of this switch. Cool air travels through louvers set into the armrest.



In the Continental tradition of classic elegance . . .
a new formal fashion in luxurious interiors

Only your eyes . . . and your touch . . . can describe for you the rare loveliness and texture of Continental-created fabrics and leathers.

We searched the tanneries of the world for a worthy leather, and the hide finally chosen comes from Bridge of Weir, Scotland. When you step inside a Continental and see the subtle grainings, and run your fingers over the suppleness of this leather, you will know that our care has been amply rewarded.

You'll marvel, too, at the distinctive luxury of finely woven, uniquely patterned fabrics . . . Mardi Gras Weaves, Classic Weaves, Aurora Weaves . . . as fresh as Paris originals.

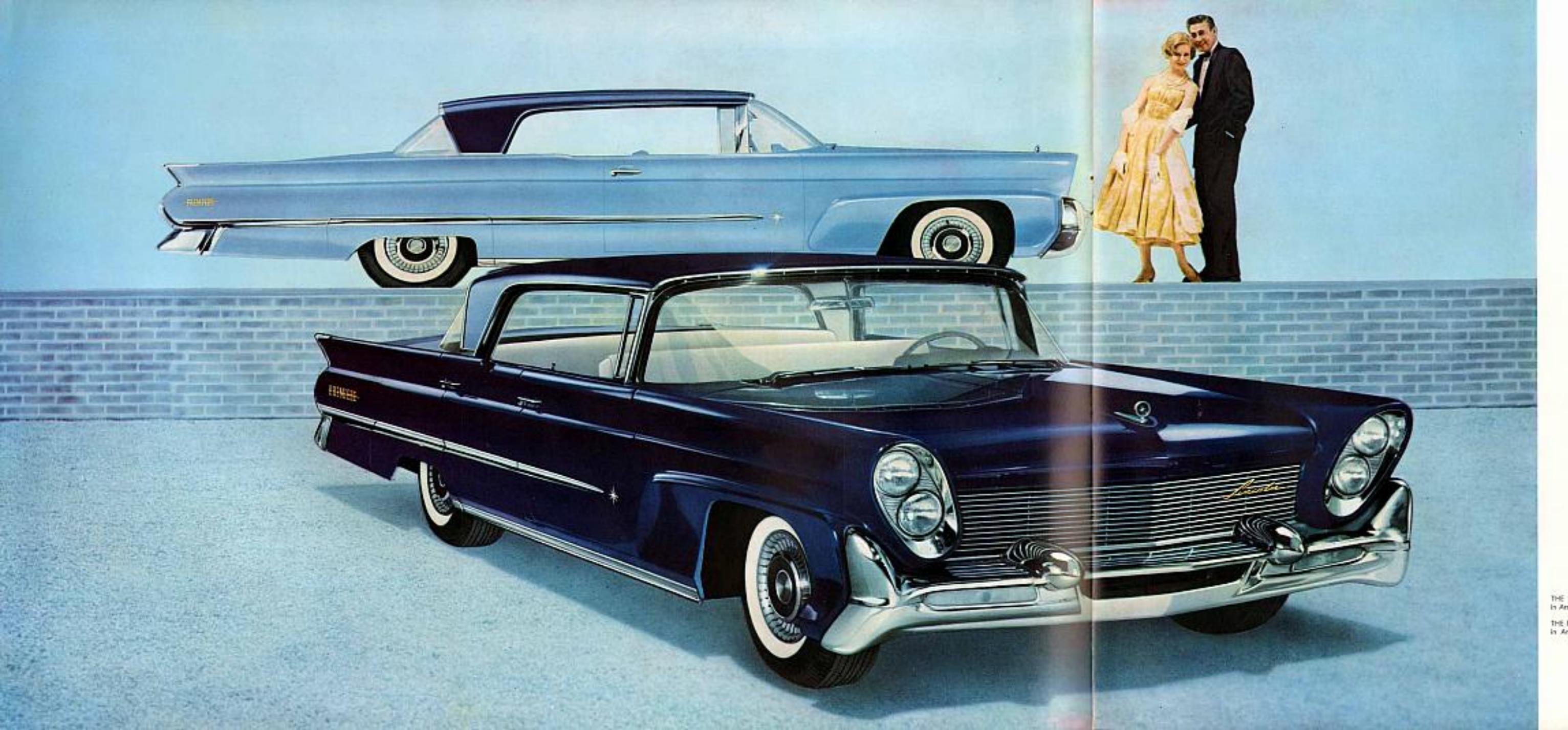
With eighteen distinctive interior combinations to choose from . . . in all fabric, all leather, or in fabric and leather . . . you can interior decorate your car in the finest Continental tradition of classic elegance.



Should you prefer a leather and fabric motif—here's a lovely combination. Scotch leather bolsters are in rich Spruce Green while seat cushions are upholstered in a special Continental fabric we call Classic Weave. This distinctive mix gives you the same tailored elegance you find in today's finest.



A distinctive three-tone contrast in Meteorite Grey, Starlite White and Presidential Black leather graces this Continental Convertible. What this picture can't show you is the marvelous softness and suppleness of their shear of all leather-hand-kneaded hides imported from the famed tanneries of Bridge of Weir, Scotland.



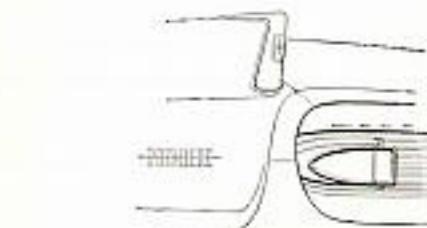
The Lincoln Premiere

*Magnificently new
in every Continental-inspired detail
of design, engineering, luxury*

Look, now, at the magnificent new Lincoln Premiere series—three superb new models, each with the clean, timeless character of the Continental in every classic line.

Instinctively, as you walk around this Lincoln, you will know why we say its classic beauty is ageless. Here, in the Continental roof line . . . the full-sweep vision of the wrap-around compound windshield . . . the side spear accenting clean-lined length . . . the distinctive oval back panel with beautifully integrated taillights and back-up lights . . . here is the combination of fresh youthfulness and quiet dignity you have always wanted in a fine car.

Inside, you'll discover a whole new world of uncommon luxury in the Continental tradition. Richly threaded fabrics . . . incredibly soft Bridge of Weir leathers . . . new decorative schemes . . . give you a modern magnificence that's unmatched anywhere.

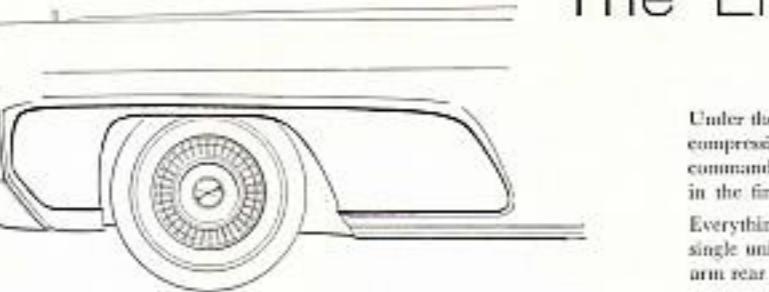


Modern, "semi-elliptical" taillights and back-up lamps are beautifully integrated into oval back panel of the Premiere. Notice how the oval back panel repeats the grille motif.

THE LINCOLN PREMIERE COUPE (above)
is Arrowhead Blue over Shantung Blue.

THE LINCOLN PREMIERE LANDAU (below)
is Arrowhead Blue.

The Lincoln Premiere



Under the long, low hood of every Lincoln whispers a new 10.5:1 compression, 375 horsepower engine—harnessed to your instant command by the smoothest, most efficient automatic transmission in the fine car field . . . a new, better-than-ever Turbo-Drive. Everything else is new, too—body and frame combined in new single unit construction . . . an exclusive new system of trailing-arm rear suspension . . . and much, much more.

THE LINCOLN PREMIERE 4-DOOR . . . is Spruce Green.



You're graciously at home inside this luxurious Lincoln Premiere Sedan—with decoration in a quietly dignified combination of contrasting Ion Scotch leather and richly woven, dark brown Cable Weave fabric. (In Premiere models, you choose from twenty-one lovely interior combinations . . . fabric, leather and fabric or all leather . . . available in elegantly tailored decorator schemes.)

THE LINCOLN PREMIERE COUPE . . . is Stormy White over Seagull Green.





The Lincoln Capri

*Bringing Continental luxury
within the reach
of every fine car buyer*

Never before has Continental luxury been so wonderfully combined with practicality—as in our magnificent new Capris.

Classic new styling: No reward more lasting than this. For here in every highlight, in every Continental-inspired contour, is clean, classic beauty that is sure to be reflected in the design of other fine cars of the future.

Classic new performance: Here—as in all Lincolns for 1958—is effortless driving surpassing the most legendary Lincolns and Continentals of the recent past. You'll find this Lincoln obeys so swiftly, maneuvers so effortlessly, steers so crisply, that you know you have a precision instrument in your hands.

Luxurious fine car comfort: This car was designed around leg-stretching, shoulder-free roominess. Like all Lincoln models, it's the most spacious passenger car on the road—with as much as 4 inches more shoulder room in the front compartment, and as much as 6 inches more shoulder room in the rear compartment, than other cars in the fine car field.



Just slide behind the wheel and observe your full-ahead vision through this new compound windshield. The glass wraps slightly over the top as well as around the sides—to let you sight overhead traffic lights without bowing or craning your neck.

THE LINCOLN CAPRI SEDAN (above)
in Sunset.

THE LINCOLN CAPRI COUPE (below)
in Sunburst White over Matador Red.



You can decorate your Lincoln Capri as totally as you like. You have a choice of eight beautiful combinations . . . in smart fabrics, or combinations of fabric and leather-upholstered Capri. Shown here is a striking motif in Seneca Blue Coatskin bolsters with Arrowhead-like coulisses in a distinctive Contemporary Weave. Note the smart, tailored elegance of seat backs and cushions.

THE LINCOLN CAPRI COUPE . . . in Suede.



The Lincoln Capri

One ride in this new Lincoln, and you'll sense the luxurious, relaxing comfort provided by Lincoln's new trailing arm rear suspension . . . and the solid security of a body and frame that are combined into a new single unit construction.

For many, many reasons, this Continental-inspired Lincoln Capri is a sound, lastingly fine investment . . . a truly fine motorcar that will stay in style for years to come.



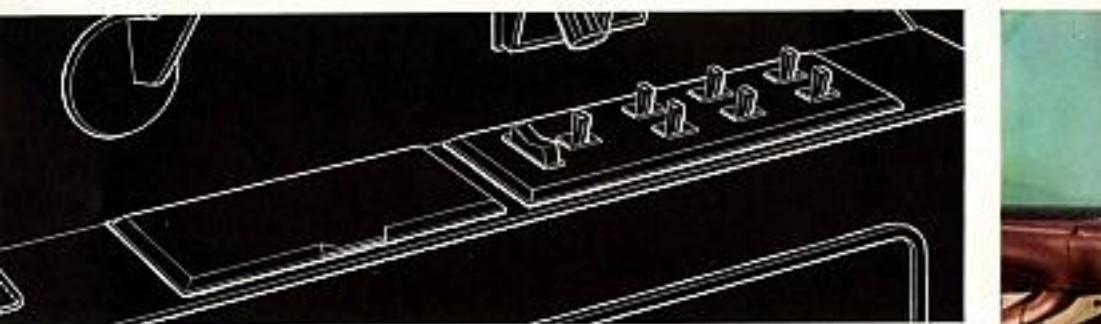
THE LINCOLN CAPRI 4-DOOR LANDAU . . . in Shamrock White over Rosemetal Metallic. (Rosemetal Metallic optional at extra cost.)

*Every custom-crafted detail . . . every advance in wondrously
effortless driving . . . inspired by the Continental concept of
uncommon luxury*

Because we know you're going to spend a great deal of time inside your car, the constant aim of our designers and engineers is to make your Continental or Lincoln a luxuriously relaxing car to live in . . . and to drive.

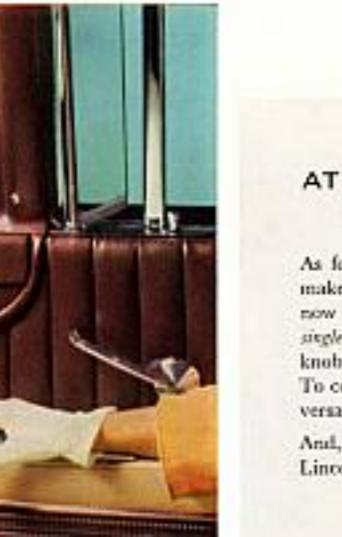
From the small but important luxuries . . . like five ashtrays, each with an individual lighter . . . to the safety features like optional electric door locks . . . nothing has been spared if it could add to your comfort and ease of mind.

Take, for example, this aircraft type instrument cluster—mounted on a single panel for easy access and easy visibility. Notice how the large semi-circular speedometer catches your eye through the wide-open arc of the deep-dish safety steering wheel.



Every control in your Continental or Lincoln is right within sight . . . right within reach. There's a whole "keyboard" of window controls that lets you master-operate every window in your car (including the back window on all Continental models) at the touch of a button. Even the

window vents can be power operated at the touch of your finger. And for the first time on any car, there's a wonderful new safety feature—a lock-out control that lets you lock out the action of all window switches except the driver's . . . preventing children from tampering with windows.

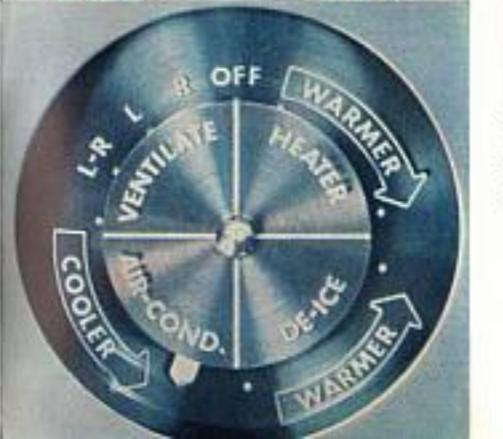
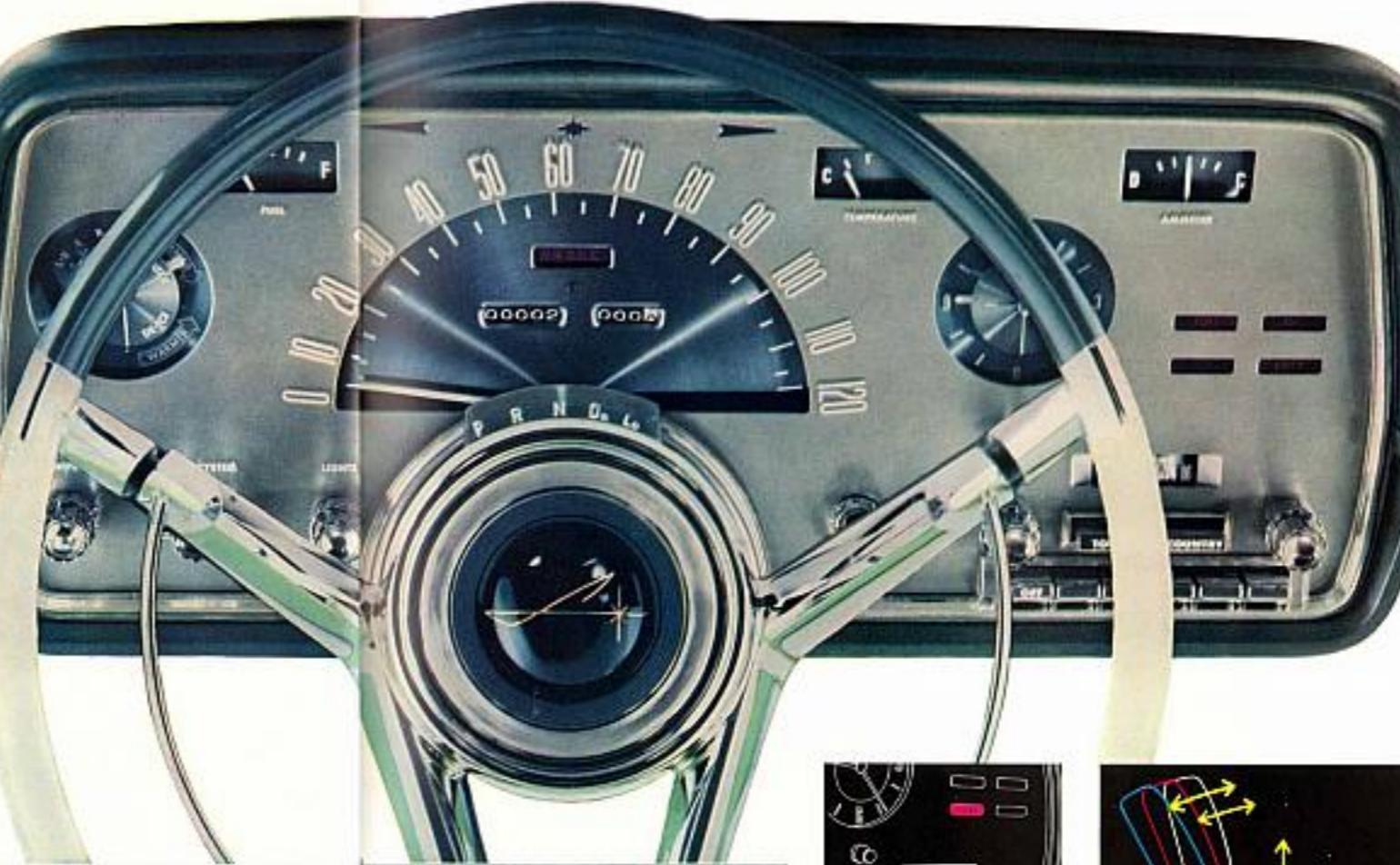


AT YOUR FINGERTIPS . . .

more power luxuries than in any other motorcar

As far as power assists, you can have every one known—each refined to make driving a serenely enjoyable experience. For instance, you can now control your air conditioning and heating with just a touch of a single control. You simply select the temperature you want by turning the knob on an easy-to-read dial. It's as easy as changing television channels. To convert your system from summer cooling to winter heating (or vice versa), you simply pull out or push in defrost or vent knobs.

And, of course, Power Steering and Power Brakes are standard on all Lincolns—Power Windows on all Continentals and Premiers.



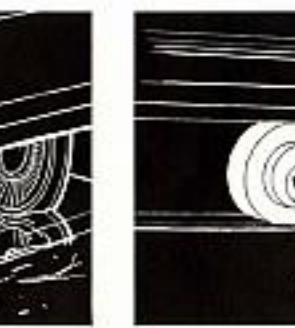
TOUCH—and you have power lubrication automatically—even as you drive. In just a matter of a few seconds, a green light indicates that the entire front suspension and steering system have been completely lubricated.



TOUCH—and an Electric Door Lock securely locks all fully closed doors in your car. A light warns you if any door is unlocked. A welcome safety feature when children are in the car—or for women driving alone at night.



TOUCH—and a Driver-Controlled Trunk Release lets you unlock your trunk by remote control from inside your car. Wonderful convenience feature for easy access to tools—especially in bad weather or at night.



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...and in engineering... cars so new that an entirely new plant was built to produce them



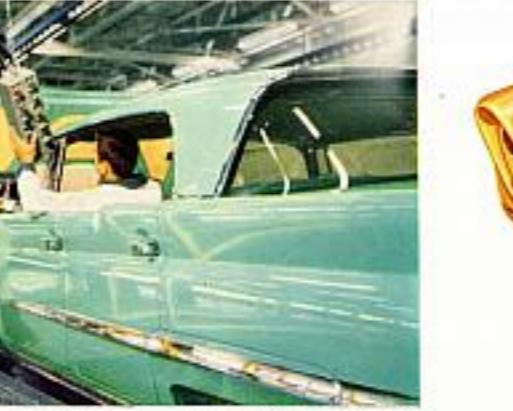
Here in our new plant, you see quality craftsmanship at its finest. In this single gigantic framing job, for example, entire Continental and Lincoln bodies are checked and welded to closer tolerances. The bolting and inspection of a body and frame unit is a completely integrated operation that results in a new kind of solid silence and strength.



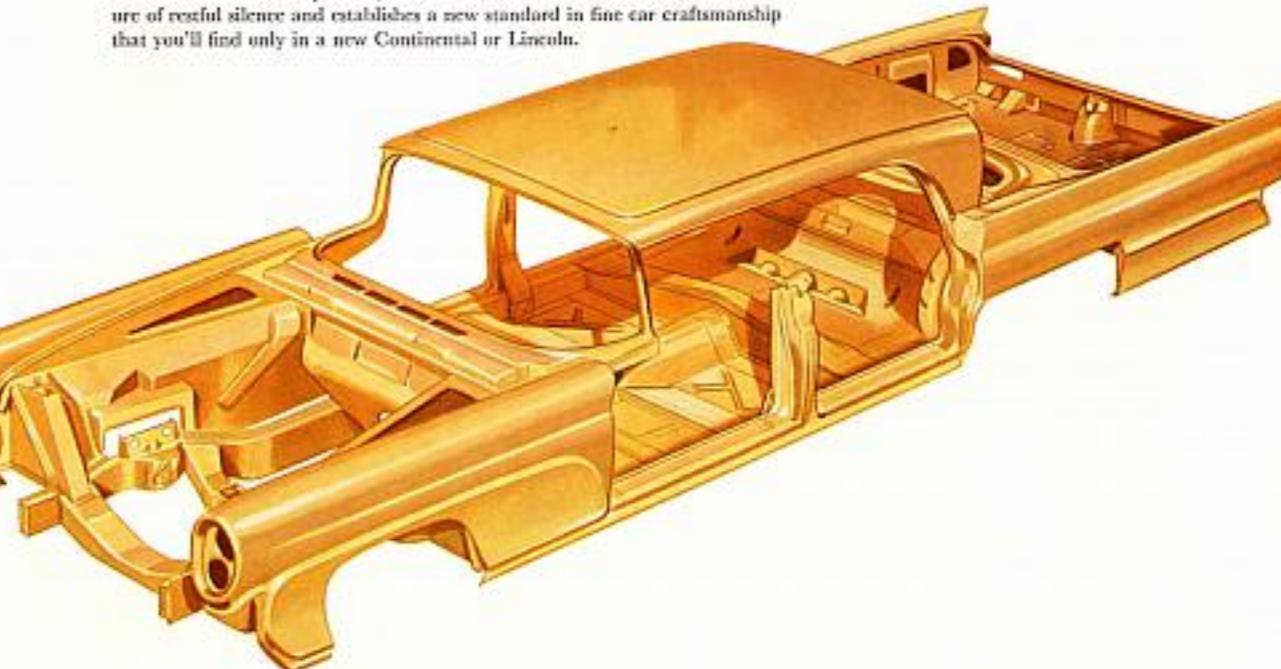
Here's the kind of beneath-the-surface quality you won't find in any other fine car. We use an entirely new rust-inhibiting system... our improvement over the conventional spray-on method, bodies are immersed to the belt line in a huge pool filled with a special paint-white. Hidden parts receive protection against rust and corrosion.



Every Continental and Lincoln body receives a severe water test. In this spray booth, 36 nozzle-neck exerting 24 pounds of water pressure shoot water at windows, doors, trunk lid and underbody—every point where water could seep in. An inspector inside the body checks for any possible leaks, and they are corrected immediately.



Simulating actual highway driving, this dynamometer checks every phase of engine timing—responsiveness and the smooth delivery of power. When the finished Continentals and Lincolns roll out of this modern plant, you know that the individual parts have been carefully and conscientiously crafted into the finest cars in the fine car field.



Single unit construction is entirely new... with body and frame combined into a solid unit

Shut a door or close the hood of a Continental or Lincoln, and listen to the vault-like sound. Better still, go out for a serene ride over brick paved streets, or the roughest pavement you can find. You'll know right away that these are the quietest motorcars you've ever experienced.

One of the big reasons for the solid silence of these cars is the *entirely new single unit construction*... a method unknown up to now in the fine car field.

Body and frame are combined in a single, solid unit. This new kind of aircraft construction gives you much greater rigidity, and resistance to body-twisting effects on the roughest roads. And since pillar rigidity has been increased, you get better, tighter door fits and the quietest ride you've ever known.

But what's far more important, this new construction adds to the extra measure of restful silence and establishes a new standard in fine car craftsmanship that you'll find only in a new Continental or Lincoln.

AND 1958 LINCOLN SPECIFICATIONS

ENGINE: Low-friction, short-stroke design, develops 375 horsepower at 4800 rpm. Delivers 40 ft.-lb. of torque at 3700 rpm. Bore: 4.375 in. Stroke: 3.75 in. Displacement: 430 cu. in. Compression ratio: 10.5:1. With efficient high-compression combustion chamber in block, wedge shape combustion chamber with step-top piston. Deep-skirt alloy iron cylinder block. 5 main bearing crankshaft with one rubber-damped vibration damper. Automatic roller-type aluminum-alloy pistons. Two compression rings and one oil control ring. Top valve stems plated. Retaining pins secured with self-locking hydraulic valve stems. Intake valve diameter: 3.25 in.; exhaust valve diameter: 1.75 in.

LUBRICATION: Pressure lubrication to all main connecting rod, camshaft bearings and rocker arms. Full-flow, three-stage filter. Positive displacement, fixed-type pump. Oil capacity: 6 quarts. Gear-driven, four-stage pump.

CYLINDERS: 3 stage pressurized with pressure up to 15 pounds. 3 thermostats. Radiator jacket with heat sink. Heater jacket with jacket. System capacity with radiator: 5 quarts; without heater: 2.5 quarts. Low-speed fan, four-blade fan.

FUEL SYSTEM: Automatic. A barrel carburetor with vacuum-operated secondary barrel. Throat-bar carburetor has filter. Automatic choke. Fuel capacity: 22 gallons. Built-in gasoline fuel tank filter. Gasoline-driven circulation from fuel pump.

ELECTRICAL: Centrifugal-vacuum spark control. Single breaker arm distributor. Vertical distributor points. Weatherproof ignition. Anti-fading 15 volt light. Centerеле-located dual spark plug. High capacity low-speed charging generator. 75 ampere-hour type battery with 70 ampere-hour capacity. 15-lamp marker system.

EXHAUST: Dual with internal flow muffler and resonator in each line. Cross-over tailpipe system for maximum efficient engine-generated exhaust.

AIR INTAKE: Temperature-controlled air induction system. Provides optimum intake air, minimum air resistance, for better performance and improved specific fuel economy. Low-resistance paper-pak air cleaner element.

DIMENSIONS: Wheelbase: 131 in. Overall length: 209 in. Over-all width: 80.1 in. Over-all under height: 56.5 in. Head room: 39 in. Front and rear. Trunk size: 7.00 x 14.00 cubic feet. 5.50 x 14.00 cubic feet and air-conditioned cars.

CONSTRUCTION: Welded, integral body and frame. Rust-proofed by injection of special paint to body of car.

FRONT SUSPENSION: Independent front wheel suspension of improved ball joint type. Upper and lower suspensions mounted to frame with rubber bushings. Telescopic-type Hydro-Cushion shock absorbers with rebound cut-off control. Torsion stabilizer bar. Spherical steering with no loss of road feel. Gear-to-power steering ratio: 20:1.

REAR SUSPENSION: Trailing arms with coil springs. Telescopic-type shock absorbers. Springs, shock absorbers and trailing arms with rubber-mounted brackets.

BRAKES: Hydraulic brakes with 11 inch drums. Total effective braking area: 707 sq. in. Vacuum boosted with power-type pedal. Molded disc brakes. Independent mechanical parking brake on rear wheels with their own self-release device.

TURBO-DRIVE TRANSMISSION: Combined fluid drive converter and sealed planetary gear train. Fully automatic. Maximum torque multiplication ratio: 2.7:1. Oil reservoir capacity: until 21 pounds. External oil cooler in lower radiator tank.

SEAT BELTS: Semi-Breaking rear seat. If you'd ring your alarm, rear side air bag optional and air-conditioned cars. Drive taken through trailing arms.

DOORS: All steel heavily reinforced. All welded with double panel doors. Two steel front doors. Finished with baked enamel. 3 piece roofs and 7 door knobs.

PIECES: Some items illustrated or referred to in this catalog are extra cost. For prices on option with equipment you desire, see your Continental Lincoln dealer.

The 1958 Lincoln continental series will be offered at the same low price as 1957. The Lincoln and Mercury Divisions of the Ford Motor Company thank the public for continued interest in our products. We change specifications or designs without notice or obligation.

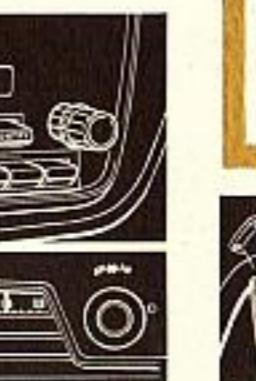
All these luxury and safety items are standard equipment on all Continental and Lincoln models:

Automatic Transmission
Power Brakes
Remote Controlled Cruise
Rear-View Mirror
Power Steering
Air Cleaner
Front Rubber Seat Cushions
Oil Filter
License Plate Frame (Front)
Glove Compartment Light
Safety Door Latches
2 Front and 2 Rear
Compartment Ash Receivers
and Lighters
Rock-Up Lights
Trip Odometer
Fuel Supply Warning Light
Safety-Tape Steering Wheel
Tender Seats
Two-Tone Paint
Dual Windshield Wipers
Positive Action Windshield
Wipers (With Guide Cord)
Temperature Controlled
Air Induction System
Padded Side Visors
Folding Center
Seat Armrest

A WIDE ARRAY OF FUNCTIONAL ACCESSORIES for added comfort, convenience, safety



New Heater and Air Conditioner with single knob control—You just turn a knob on your instrument panel and watch a pointer on an easy-to-read dial that indicates Heater or air conditioner setting. There's just one setting for any weather condition. It works so simply as the thermostat in your home. To convert from summer cooling to winter heating (or vice versa), you simply pull out or push in defrost or heat knobs.



New Travel-Tuner Radio—for 1958, Continental and Lincoln offer you a complete new sound system—including an optional FM radio tuner and an optional auxiliary radio speaker on Lincoln. In addition—when you turn on your radio, a new power-operated dual antenna system automatically raises two antennas—one optional—on either side of car. Antennas retract automatically when you turn off radio.



New "Venetian" Sun Visors—made of laminated plastic—give a venetian blind effect. They give you valuable eye protection for those sun-drivers without obstructing your driving vision. Handsomely styled and attractively designed, they complement the new "picture window" look of Lincoln's compound windshield. Venetian visors can be installed as permanent replacements for the regular sun visors.



New Sealed Beam Portable Spotlight can be directed to any angle you wish from inside your car. Or you can remove it and carry it outside your car. Indispensable. Lens—equally spaced in a distinctive circular design. Covers fit neatly into the recessed portion of the standard wheel—adding a clean, modern look to your wheels.



Automatic Headlamp Dimmer automatically lowers your beam when another car approaches, raises it when the car is safely passed. Takes the "fright" out of driving at night, and makes highway courtesy automatic.

New Wheel Covers have nine gold-filled, uni-equally spaced in a distinctive circular design. Covers fit neatly into the recessed portion of the standard wheel—adding a clean, modern look to your wheels.



The Engine is new! Under the long, low hood of every Continental and Lincoln is a new, 10.5:1-compression, 375 horsepower engine.

In this new, 430-cubic-inch power plant, our engineers have pioneered a new kind of combustion chamber that's *fully machined right into the engine block*, rather than into the cylinder-head. This new simplified design results in closer tolerances, and better control of compression ratio, than have ever before been possible.

And this new combustion chamber steps up the turbulence of the air fuel mixture in a way that actually takes better advantage of the potential power of even the most advanced gasolines. You get the smoothest kind of silken response, and a remarkable freedom from engine servicing.

The Transmission is new!

The silent power of every Continental and Lincoln is delivered to the rear wheels through Turbo-Drive—smoothest, most versatile of all automatic drives.

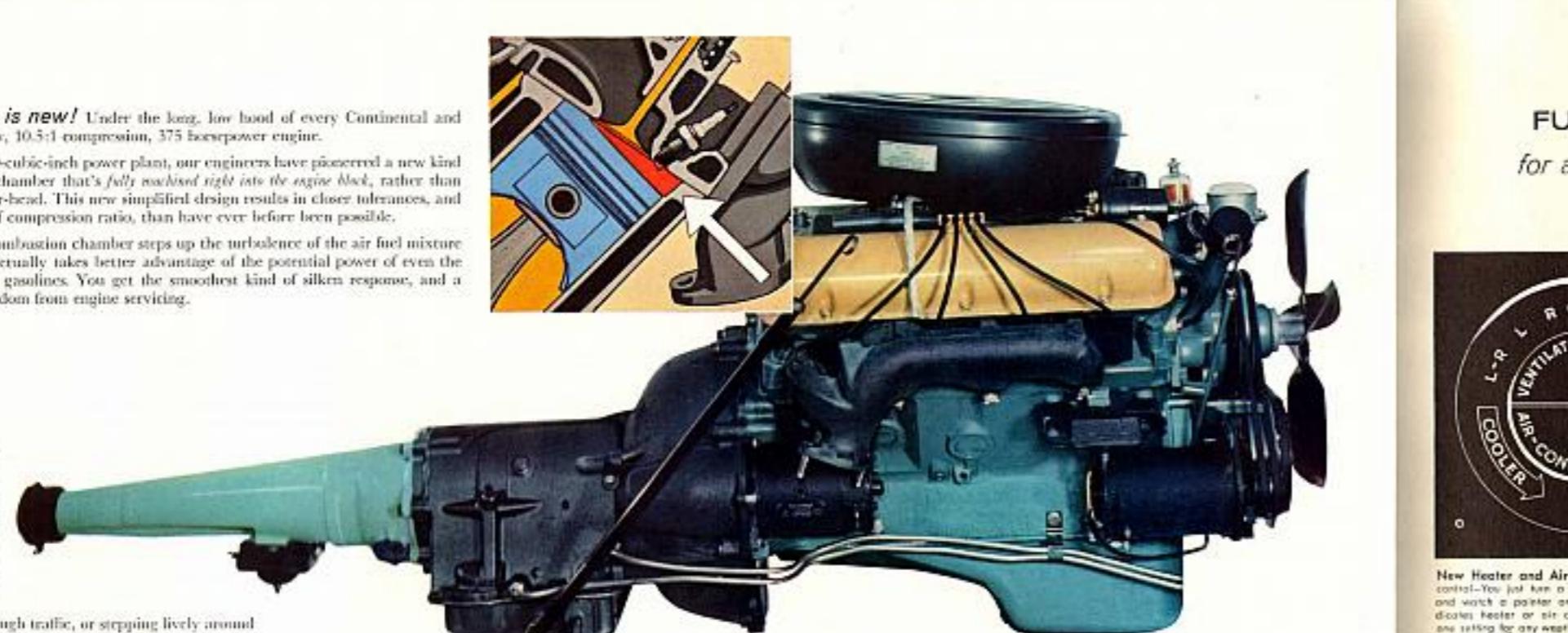
Newly designed and enlarged to transmit increased torque output, 1958 Turbo-Drive gives you obedient power response that is faster and smoother than ever. Whether you're surging ahead from a standing start, lugging along through traffic, or stepping lively around highway slow-pokes on the turnpike—you'll only be conscious of a silent, smooth, single sweep of motion.

And here's another 1958 feature for added convenience and safety...you'll be able to start your car with the selector in either "Park" or "Neutral" position.

The Suspension System is new! For 1958, our engineers have pioneered a new system of rear suspension that gives you the most relaxing rideability you've ever known.

We call it a "trailing-arm" suspension, and what that means is this: the movement between axle and body is controlled by coil springs and shock absorbers. The thrust power is then transmitted from the rear wheels to the body through trailing arms instead of through the springs, as in the conventional leaf-spring suspension.

You'll quickly notice the difference between the Continental and Lincoln ride and others. You'll notice a firm, tremor-free smoothness...a wonderful freedom from rear end "squirming" on the take-offs, and rear end rise on rapid stops.



OTHER OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT—AVAILABLE ON ALL CONTINENTAL, PREMIERE AND CAPRI MODELS. Power vent windows (available only with power window), 6-way power seat, Push-button power lubrication, Electric door locks, Tinted glass, License plate frame (front), Nylon cord tires. (This is a partial listing. For a complete list of accessories, see your Continental and Lincoln dealer.)

