

Home & Park Roadtrek 190 Versatile

AT A GLANCE IT COULD BE CHARACTERIZED AS A VAN, ONE TO be used for running around town or picking up the kids in, but don't be fooled. This is a motorhome that's packed full of all the accouterments found in full-size motorhomes.

Built by Home & Park Motorhomes of Kitchener, Ontario, at the rate of about 1,000 a year, the Roadtrek 190 Versatile comes complete with a stand-up modular bath and shower, auxiliary generator, full galley, beds to sleep four, a dinette, television, roof air conditioner and four captain's chairs.

With an exterior width of 79 inches and an overall length of 19 feet, 3 inches, the Roadtrek seldom experiences parking problems. Imagine parking downtown on a busy street and then, in the same vehicle, doing stand-alone camping with all of the creature comforts.

For sleeping, the two captain's chairs in the midsection of the coach convert to single beds by swiveling the cockpit captain's chairs 180 degrees and performing a couple of quick conversion maneuvers. The rear-coach dining table converts to a double bed or can accommodate sit-down dining for four people. A pop-in table creates a dining area or utility surface between the midcabin captain's chairs when needed.

The doors to the wet bath, which includes a shower with a fiberglass catch basin and a marine-style toilet, are hinged to open coach wide, creating a totally private bathroom. When the shower is used, a plastic curtain pulls around a track, preventing water from going anywhere but in the catch basin. From here it drains directly to the 25-gallon gray-water holding tank.

Road performance in the Roadtrek is excellent, and fuel economy can reach 15 MPG. With its automotive feel and familiar instrumentation, the Roadtrek allows anyone to take the wheel. The midsection roof of the coach, just aft of the cockpit, is raised to accommodate individuals up to 6 feet tall.

Angled skylights with pull-across curtains provide added natural light from above. The windows in the Roadtrek are hinged at the top and pop out several inches at the bottom, making it possible to have fresh air circulating throughout the coach, even if it's raining cats and dogs outside. A unique type of win-

dow screen prevents nature's little flying pests from entering the windows when they're open. Reflective interior sun screens hold back the solar blitz, yet allow you to see the world outside.

A three-speed power vent in the galley area sucks volumes of air in or out, helping to quickly evacuate odors and heat or bring in fresh air. The galley includes a stainless-steel sink with a demand water system, a microwave oven, a two-burner cooktop, a 3-cubic-foot refrigerator that operates off AC/DC or LPG, an optional six-gallon LPG hot-water heater and, for a motorhome this size, lots of storage both above the Formica countertop and in the cabinets below.

You'll be warm and toasty even in the coldest of climes with the thermostatically controlled 16,500-BTU forced-air furnace. Above the rear dinette/double bed are both storage cabinets and a 7,500-BTU roof air conditioner that can be powered either by an optional 2.8-kilowatt Onan generator or from shore power.

Exterior storage bays offer 13 cubic feet of room for stowing gear. Constructed of molded fiberglass, these rugged compartments are ideal for tucking away most anything. The compartment for the potable water connection is inside the passenger door, making it impossible for anyone to tamper with your freshwater supply.

The Roadtrek on the Dodge chassis has a GVWR of 8,510

pounds. When carrying a full load of fuel (35 gallons) and 31 gallons of fresh water (and empty holding tanks), the coach offers a cargo capacity of almost 2,000 pounds. —LAZELLE D. JONES

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