



# RoadtrekKing

**F**antastic. You're somewhere between Rivière-du-loup and the New Brunswick border — the scenery is beautiful but there is no Irving BigStop for miles and your 4-year-old just has to go. Fantastic, yup. Bathroom breaks whenever or wherever nature calls is just one of the benefits of traveling in a Roadtrek. This past summer our family spent 7 days traveling eastern Canada in a Roadtrek.

You're joking — right! was my first reaction when I saw the size of the van. A family with kids in this for 7 days. We have kids remember — toys, hot weather wear, rainy weather wear and bulky sweaters for those cool evenings by the sea, food and just in case more toys. Where are we going to put everything? Not only did everything get tucked away — it was accessible. Not crammed under some wheelwell that you can only get to when the seats are out. And talk about comfort.

We're off. Who would have expected this bulbous looking van to drive so well. What a dream. The kids loved watching the flat screen TV while driving and having a table to colour on was a big hit too.

Arriving late. No campsites left. No problem. We parked, closed all the curtains and set up for the night. Our first roadside stop was a little unerving. Are we going to have someone knock on the door at 3 am and ask us to move on? Our fears were dispelled in the morning. After pulling back the curtains, we realized that we were only one of many RVs. From home-made jalopies to cruise ship like machines, we saw them all. RVing is really popular.

And those big RVs sure look nice, but think about it. They are fabulous when you are parked for the night overlooking the bluff, but how convenient are they in town in the morning? Some of them are so big that you that have to be navigated around corners and

through gas stations by walkie talkie. You never have to worry about parking in a Roadtrek. It fits standard spots.

The van's conveniences are many. We particularly liked the exterior shower. It came in very handy cleaning all the sand off the children after a day at the beach. The retractable awning and gas barbecue connection made picnic stops a pleasure.

Traveling in a Roadtrek is the adult equivalent of riding a new bike. It looks good, maneuvers well and gives you that feeling of freedom. How great it is to know that it just doesn't matter where you go or what time of night you arrive. Roadtreking was truly an enjoyable experience. ■



# Roadtrek Rocks

Whether you're going cross-country or just cross-town, why not take along all the comforts of home? Enjoy the convenience of your own bathroom, kitchen, living room and bedroom, all with the fuel economy and parking ease of a van or SUV, with Roadtrek class 'B' recreational vehicles.

In 1980, Jac Hanemeyer of Kitchener's Home & Park Vehicles developed an RV with a low-profile roof, lowered floor and innovative three-section floor plan. Sales

an elevated roof – providing better fuel economy, handling and improved vehicle appearance.

After your day's drive, just swivel the captain's seats around to open up a comfy and roomy seating area. Even if it's just the two of you, four seats in the front (on some models) provide space to eat, entertain or relax with another couple. A third seat (on all models) and one of the captain's seats provide an eating area for two at the front that's much easier to use than the two

seconds, using bi-fold privacy doors. By using the galley sink, space is not wasted on a second sink. Using the hygienic sink liner while performing personal hygiene keeps the galley sink clean for food preparation. When not needed, the toilet and shower are concealed behind the privacy doors — leaving you more room to move about. These same doors can also be used to separate sleeping quarters at night. Since it is centrally located, the bathroom is accessible from either sleeping compartment.



There's no shortage of storage space in a Roadtrek — up to 114 cubic feet — so you never have to leave those important extras behind. This is achieved in part by placing most of the water tanks below the floor, and by not using electric sofa beds; the framing and mechanisms of sofa beds result in limited space for storage and equipment below. There's also cavernous storage integrated into the running boards and the rear quarters creating more livable space.

Check out the Integrated Venting System. The refrigerator vent is disguised and integrated into a black louvered grill in the galley window. The fresh water fill is securely located inside a passenger side or rear door to prevent tampering. Large frameless awning windows provide superior ventilation, remain functional in the rain, reduce wind noise, look better, and provide superior views. There is a Dura-Drain sewage hose system; cloverleaf dining table; temporary bathroom/privacy area; stand-up aisle shower; lowered floor; built-in air conditioner; running boards with integrated storage; under-floor tanks; and dual-layer foam beds.

All Roadtreks are built using either a Dodge or Chevrolet chassis. The engine will meet all demands while delivering great performance and peak efficiency. The look will grab you. The comfort will seduce you. Just one drive will convince you of how effortless, efficient and economical the Roadtrek experience truly is. ■

to the U.S. began in 1983 and now, two decades later, Roadtrek has become the best-selling class 'B' motorhome in North America. The company now boasts a 120,000-square-foot manufacturing plant, over 200 full-time employees and 100 dealers from coast-to-coast.

It's all yours with Roadtrek: the comfort of a large motorhome and the driving convenience of a van. Most models feature abundant legroom and large panoramic windows. Up to four people can sleep in one or two single beds up front and in a king-sized bed in the rear. By lowering the floor, there's plenty of headroom for people six feet or taller, without requiring

captain's seats. Separate eating and sleeping sections are conveniences normally found only in large motorhomes. The two of you can not only wake up and retire at different times, but you don't have to set up a lounge or dinette to eat every morning, or make a bed each night.

Privacy is yours when you want it in a Roadtrek — and when you don't, it doesn't take up valuable space. Instead of squeezing you into a cramped permanent bathroom with a sit-down shower, Roadtrek lets you create a spacious

temporary bathroom with stand-up shower or change room in a matter of