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MARINA: SAFETY

Driver and passenger safety has been stressed in both the Marina's running gear and in the passenger cabin.

Primary safety features include superb all-round vision and light, direct rack and pinion steering - a combination which may one day let the driver steer out of trouble rather than rely on secondary safety items.

The Marina's 9.80" front disc brakes are the biggest in its class.

Flow-through ventilation is featured on all models, with Super Deluxe and TC versions also sporting face-level "eyeball" vents mounted on the dash.

But if a collision proves unavoidable passengers in the Marina will be well protected.

The deep-padded front bucket seats now feature adjustable head rests to prevent whiplash.

Seat belts are fitted front and rear.

The steering system underwent exhaustive testing to make sure the wheel and column would not penetrate the passenger cabin, giving maximum driver protection.

Anti-burst door locks and, on sedan models, child-proof rear door locks are standard.

Door handles are flush fitting inside and outside and safe rocker switches are used on the dash.

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Other features are a fully padded instrument panel, dished and padded steering wheel, safety-padded sun-visors and a safety-type collapsible parcel tray under the dash.

Safety glass is used in all windows and the windscreen features a toughened safety zone for the driver.

Driver ergonomics were a primary design consideration with all controls logically laid out and within easy reach with seat belt done up.

All models have powerful four-jet electric windscreen washers and two-speed windscreen wipers as standard equipment.

The wipers also incorporate a useful "single-wipe" action, self parking, for light rain conditions.

The washer and wiper functions are all operated by a stalk mounted on the left side of the steering column.

Another stalk, mounted on the right, controls the horn, high beam and turn indicators.

Both can be operated easily by the driver without taking his hands from the wheel, an aid to safety and convenience.

Other features are standard exterior mirror, breakaway interior mirror, reversing lights and a steering column lock (for the car's safety).

An added margin for the occupants is provided in that the petrol tank is not mounted integrally with the body structure, lessening the chance of the tank rupturing and spilling petrol in rear-end impacts.

