

# FORD CONSUL CAPRI 335 – Identification Information



## **INTRODUCTION**

The Consul Capri 335 was introduced as a coupe version in September, 1961 (Series 109E) with a 1340cc ohv engine with three main bearings and four-speed gearbox with floor or steering column mounted gear lever.

From August, 1962 (Series 116E) all models were fitted with a new 1498cc ohv engine with five main bearings and a four-speed all synchromesh gearbox.

## **VEHICLE SERIAL NUMBER** **(eg. A37B-012345)**

From October, 1961 a new numbering system is being used, consisting of ten letters and numbers  
First digit: Assembly Plant  
Second & third numbers: Model ID  
Fourth digit: Year of Manufacture  
Fifth to twelfth digits: Vehicle Serial Number

## **ASSEMBLY PLANT**

Sub-assembled at:  
Pressed Steel Fisher, Cowley, UK  
And then completed at:  
H: Halewood, UK (or was it a?)  
D: Dagenham, UK

## **MODEL IDENTIFICATION**

There are three model types for the Consul Capri:

- 37 2-door Capri Coupe (column shift)
- 38 2-door Capri Coupe (floor shift)
- 39 2-door Capri GT Coupe (floor shift)

## **YEAR OF MANUFACTURE**

A: 1961  
B: 1962  
C: 1963  
D: 1964

## **VEHICLE SERIAL NUMBERS**

The Car Serial (or Chassis) number is stamped at the top of the right-hand front suspension unit, under the bonnet.

Approximate and for guidance only:

October, 1961 from 38500  
January, 1962 from 005560

Note: Export Capri serial numbers are 6 digit and start with a 4.

## **ENGINE TYPE**

The engine number is stamped on the right-hand side of the cylinder block, above the engine mounting.

Oct, 61 – Aug, 62 1340cc 'Kent' OHV (Capri)

Aug, 62 – Jul, 64 1498cc 'Kent' OHV (Capri & Capri GT)

## **TRANS.**

Early 4-speed, No 1<sup>st</sup> Synchro, Column or Floor shift

Late 4-speed, All Synchromesh, Column or Floor shift

## **WEIGHTS**

Dry weight 1950 lbs  
Kerb weight 2025 lbs

### Consul Capri - Paint Colour Codes.

Colour Code	Promotional Name	Colour Code	Promotional Name
A	Savoy Black	BP	Panama Yellow
M	Ambassador Blue	BR	Goodwood Green
AZ	Imperial Maroon	BS	Monaco Red
BA	Ermine White	BT	Aqua Blue
BC	Lime Green	BU	Platinum Grey
BH	Caribbean Turquoise	BY	Glacier Blue
BL	Ascot Grey	CD	Lombard Grey
BM	Windsor Grey		

### Consul Capri - Trim Codes.

There are way too many different variations and colours of trim to list here, therefore please visit the Ford Classic and Capri Owners Club (FCCOC) website at [www.fccoc.org.uk](http://www.fccoc.org.uk) which has a wealth of information available.

#### **Special Note:**

The Consul Capri 335, was derived from the Consul Classic or Consul 315, and was only available as a 2-door coupe. The Consul Classic or 315 was available as both a 4-door and a 2-door saloon, models 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36. Both of these Consul model variants had backward slanted rear windscreens, similar to the 1959-68 Ford Anglia of that era.

#### **NOTES:**

All of the above information has been gathered from various sources listed below and has been presented in this form, from an idea based upon the 'By The Numbers' articles from Australian Muscle Car Magazine.

If any errors, omissions or discrepancies are found they are purely unintentional and I'd ask that you contact me with the relevant information to allow corrections to be made. Enjoy your decoding!

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