

Porsche 914/LE – VIN 4742915279 (1974)

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Buying my Porsche 914/LE

Vendor

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Vendor description

Porsche 914 1974, 2000cc, 72 537 km, 4742915279, GA012489 Bumblebee look
VIN : 4742915279
Chassis : 1029502
Engine : GA012489
Colour : L41I

Restored Porsche 914 for sale

We offer for sale this beautiful Porsche 914 from 1974. The Porsche has been restored in the past and is both optically and technically in a very good condition. The maintenance history is known and there are various invoices for the maintenance carried out. This Porsche 914 is powered by the 1971cc 4-cylinder boxer engine with twin Dellorto carburetors coupled to a 5-speed manual gearbox. It also has disc brakes all around that provide a very pleasant driving experience.

Porsche 914 in Bumble Bee look for sale

As you can see in the photos, this is anything but a standard Porsche 914. The Porsche that we offer for sale here has the Bumble Bee look. Only about 500 cars of the original limited edition Bumble Bee were built. This Bumble Bee look is characterized by its black / yellow paint, yellow alloy wheels, extra spoiler and other sporty details. A real eye-catcher, which you will not easily come across again. The interior of the Porsche is in very good condition and is equipped with black upholstery, a beautiful original dashboard and OMP sports steering wheel. Another big plus of the Porsche 914 is its removable targa top that you can easily remove so that you can enjoy the outdoors while driving.

Want to buy a Porsche 914 in Bumble Bee look?

Are you looking for a 1974 Porsche 914? Then leave your details via the contact form on this page or call +31 416 751 393 directly. Our sales staff will be happy to answer all your questions or even make a personal shop video for you.

We can help with transport. Within Europe you do not need to pay any import duties. Trading in, buying and consignment possible.

In some countries we can help with financing. Ask our sales staff.

Porsche 914 LE characteristics

Possible certificates

Porsche Cars North America (PCNA) maintains the Kardex.

- COA : Certificates of Authenticity (most important certificate, but does not exist anymore – see PPS) xxx
- PPS : Porsche Product Specifications.
- CTC : Classic Technical Certificates.

VIN numbers

Format: **47 a m pp ssssss**

- 47 : Porsche 914 (type 4, model 7).
- a : year (197a)
- p=29 : Production workshop (always Karmann, Germany).
- ssssss : Serial number.
- Example : 4742915279 (Porsche 914, 1974, 29, 15279)

US models have different VIN ranges as production was separate (“47 a” remains the same for US and European models).

Year	Model	VIN	Numbers	Nb cars	cars/day	Nb 2.0L	2.0L/day
1970	914/4	4702900001	4702913312	13311	55.5		0.0
1970	914/6	9140430001	9140432668	2667	11.1		0.0
1971	914/4	4712900001	4712916231	16230	67.6		0.0
1971	914/6	9141430001	9141430443	442	1.8		0.0
1972	914/4	4722900001	4722921580	21579	89.9		0.0
1972	914/6	9142430001	9142430260	259	1.1		0.0
1972	916	9142330011	9142330020	9	0.0		0.0
1973	914/4	4732900001	4732927660	27659	115.2		0.0
1974	914/4	4742900001	4742921370	21369	89.0	5597	23.3
1975	914/4	4752900001	4752911368	11367	47.4		0.0
1976	914/4	4762900001	4762904100	4099	17.1		0.0
Total cars				118991			

Info originally compiled by Jeroen Berloth, updated by SirAndy - © 914world.com
<http://www.914world.com/specs/chasnr.php>

914 Production Numbers								
Type	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	Total
914/8	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
914/6	29	2760	306	237	-	-	1	3333
916	-	-	-	11	-	-	-	11
914/4 - 1.7L	1543	20241	15993	19713	7861	-	-	65351
914/4 - 1.8L	-	-	-	-	3903	11415	2455	17773
914/4 - 2.0L	-	-	-	4817	16639	5597	5469	32522
Total	1574	23001	16299	24778	28403	17012	7925	118992

Cars/day average = $(VIN1 - VIN0) / (48 * 5)$
<http://www.914world.com/specs/productionnumbers.php>

Year Market VIN numbers

1974 USA 14348 – 16764 = 2416 (VIN range following Jeff Bowlsby registry)

Can Am / LE As people claim that there were 1000 914/LE built, standard 914 are supposed to exist in between.

Chassis numbers

The Karman plate (drive door) & the Rear trunk bottom number must match.

Format: **WW D 95 sss**

- WW : Week index (01 to 52)
- D : Day index (Monday = 1, ...)
- 95 : Fixed
- sss : Serial index in the day.
- Example : 1029502 04/03/1974 (2d chassis). ?

914/LE chassis number range

Following Jeff Bowsby, the first 3 digits of the chassis plate must be in the range between 071 and 145 (or close to this range) – This mean between Monday 10/02/1974 and Friday 04/04/1974 (8 weeks x 5 days = 40 days).

Production estimation

- The LE's production was actually limited to about 1000 LE cars in 40 days (average is $1000 / 40 = 25$ a day).
- Car/day in the Can Am VIN range: 60 ($2416/40=60$)
Assume 48 weeks/year and 5 days/week (240 days/year).
⇒ we saw before that the average 1974 was about 89.0 VINs/day ($21369 / (48 \times 5) = 89.0/\text{day}$ (914 any model)
⇒ we saw before that the average 1974 was about 23.3 VINs/day ($5597 / (48 \times 5) = 23.3/\text{day}$ (914 2.0L)
- Looking at the daily serial index of chassis number sss in Jeff Bolwsby's registry, we see that it is in the range 1 to 89.
⇒ Can Am/LE 914 chassis were produced every day in the period.
⇒ Daily chassis production was mixed for any 914 model, otherwise daily sss should be in a range close to 25.
⇒ This seems logic as the chassis were the same for all car. The difference between cars came after the chassis was built.

Identified cars in registries

Registry	Total	Bumblebee	Creamsicle
Jeff Bowsby registry	303	185 (L041)	117 (L32K) ⁽¹⁾
914World.com database	319	190 (U1V9)	129 (U2V9)

⁽¹⁾ L32K is the code of Phoenix Red. We should read L80E for Light Ivory for Creamsicle (see <https://bowsby.net/914/CanAm/914CanAmRegistry.htm>)

Engine numbers

Format: **tt ssssss**

- « tt » : engine type
- « ssssss » : serial number

Cyl	Year	tt (EUR)	tt (USA)
1.7 L	1970-1973	EA, W	EB
1.8 L	1974-1975	AN, ECa	ECb
2.0 L	1974-1976	GB	GA, GC
2.0 L / 6 cyl	1970-1972	640xxxx	640xxxx

Colour codes

Copied and reformatted from www.914world.com/bbs2/index.php?act=colors (Note 1)

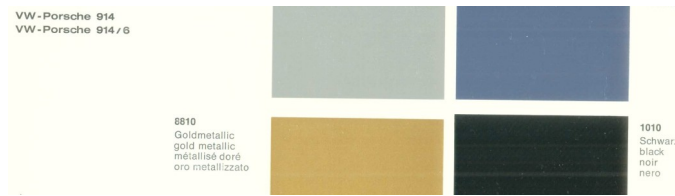
The codes UiV9 (U1V9, U2V9 and U3V9) are only mentioned as exterior colour on the COA/PPS as Ui (V9 which is the black Targa top is omitted in these certificates).

Porsche's brochures colour codes?

914 Color Codes										
NOTES:										
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> LE colors have a "LE" in the accent color added. LE color codes are actually Black (L041) and Light Ivory (L80E), the special codes were internal codes that only show up on the COA. If you have a '74 with either L041 or L80E color code, please check in with Jeff Bowlsby at his LE Registry to see if your car falls within the range of known LE's. The color "Light Ivory" has a small black "x" on all years available for better visibility. Custom colors were available through all years and have a small black "x" for better visibility. 911 Color used on some of the GT Racecars and at least one production car. 										
- Colors where the years available are unknown have a small "?" in the year columns. - You can sort columns by clicking on the column title. - The german color names are added in (small print) where available.										
Color	914-4	914-6	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76
Black (Schwarz)	L04I	10								
LE Bumble Bee (L041) 1	U1V9							LE		
LE Creamsicle (L80E) 1	U2V9							LE		
LE Grasshopper (L80E) 1	U3V9							LE		
Light Ivory (Hellelfenbein) 2	L80E	11	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

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Porsche documentation (1971)

914		LKL 041 (LKL004100)		schwarz black noir nero	1010
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Porsche documentation (1973)

Pantone & RGB colour codes

914 Paint Colors		914-6		Codes							Pantone		RGB
Color Name	914 Codes	Early	Late	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	Process	CMYK	
Black	L04I	700	1010								32,30,28		
Berber Yellow	L11D										3795	182,169,12	
Canary Yellow	L11E	115	2910								110	216,181,17	
Sunflower Yellow	L13K		3510								122	253,218,87	

<https://members.rennlist.com/clubster/914Colors.htm>

<https://www.stuttcars.com/porsche-914-all-years-paint-colors-exterior-interior> (same digits, with printing errors)

L04I or L041, a fake problem ?

A lot of confusion has been introduced between L04I (uppercase letter i) and L041 (digit 1). It was even confusing authors who wrote extensive studies.

- Following Porsche brochures (see here above):
 - Standard black colour code was 041 with a 1. Many other sources are mentioning 04I anyway !
 - Standard black colour code was 041/10 with a 1 and light ivory 80E/11 (1971, 1973 – before the LE exist).
- Following email from COA@PORSCHE.US to Jeff Bowsby
914 LE cars were offered in only two base color schemes U1V9=Black (paint code L041) with Sunflower Yellow trim, and U2V9=Light Ivory (paint code L80E) with Phoenix Red trim...
A regular 914 for that year that was Light Ivory would have a code of B8V9 and a Black car A1V9. In fact those paint codes (U1 & U2) were not used And FYI the mfg. paint code for Black is L04I the last letter being and 'i' not the number 1)
 See §3 in <http://plang.be/914-LE/pdf/2009Jan20%20Important%20message.pdf>
- Following the table from 914world.com:
 - The LE black code is L041 (1974).
 - The standard black code is L04I (1971 to 1976) which is in contradiction with Porsche's brochures.
 See www.914world.com/bbs2/index.php?act=colors (Note 1)
- Following Jeff Bowsby:
 - The code L04I is specific to the LE !
 This is in contradiction with the answers he received from coa@porsche.us !
« Black (L04I) body / Sunflower Yellow (L13K) accent - 'Bumblebee' The corresponding paint number is U1V9... The paint code for a 914 Can Am car will be either L04I (Black) or L80E (Light Ivory). The accent colors are not indicated on the paint code chassis plate. »
 See <https://bowsby.net/914/CanAm/914LE.htm>
 See §3 in <http://plang.be/914-LE/pdf/2009Jan20%20Important%20message.pdf>
 - In his registry, he writes “185 Bumblebee (L041 Black/Sunflower Yellow)”
 See <https://bowsby.net/914/CanAm/914CanAmRegistry.htm> (top of page under Surviving 914 Porsche Can Am cars)
- Following Dr. B. Johnson:
 - The code L041 which is the normal code for black cars was omitted.
 - The code L04I / number A1V9, which is said to refer to the LE, is given as an optional colour (± 140 USD in 1971).
 More, should it refer the LE Bumblebee, the number should be U1V9 !
 See Appendices for year 1974 in “Porsche 914 and 914-6. A restorer’s guide to authenticity” by this author:
- Last but not least, in some fonts, letter I and digit 1 are looking the same.
 - Imagine what do employees and workmen at Karmann in 1974 when they had to specify black cars?
 - Did they type a I or a 1 on specifications sheets and the Karmann's plates?

That's the black colour code interpretation depends on the document on which an author is referring! The colour code, by itself, does qualify a LE...

Conclusion

- Jeff Bowsby pages are inconsistent with each others in some paragraphs, but the code in his registry is true (L-041).
- coa@porsche.us confirms that the LE code was L-041 (digit 1).
- Following Porsche, black is (041/10) and light ivory (80E/11).
- All Light ivory cars, including Creamsicles, were L-80E. The same way, all Black cars, including Bumblebees, were probably L-041.
 - The code L04I was maybe never printed on a Karmann's chassis plate ? I did not investigate this question.
- First, refer to COA and PPS certificates.
- Otherwise, refer to VIN, chassis & engine numbers and check if they are matching the LE ranges.

Matching numbers

Following Porsche 914 Club Holland

[www.porsche-914-club-](http://www.porsche-914-club-holland.nl/PorscheClubs/pc_914holland/pc_main.nsf/web/D59732548D0846EBC12577BF0045C4EE/$File/Table.pdf)

[holland.nl/PorscheClubs/pc_914holland/pc_main.nsf/web/D59732548D0846EBC12577BF0045C4EE/\\$File/Table.pdf](http://holland.nl/PorscheClubs/pc_914holland/pc_main.nsf/web/D59732548D0846EBC12577BF0045C4EE/$File/Table.pdf)

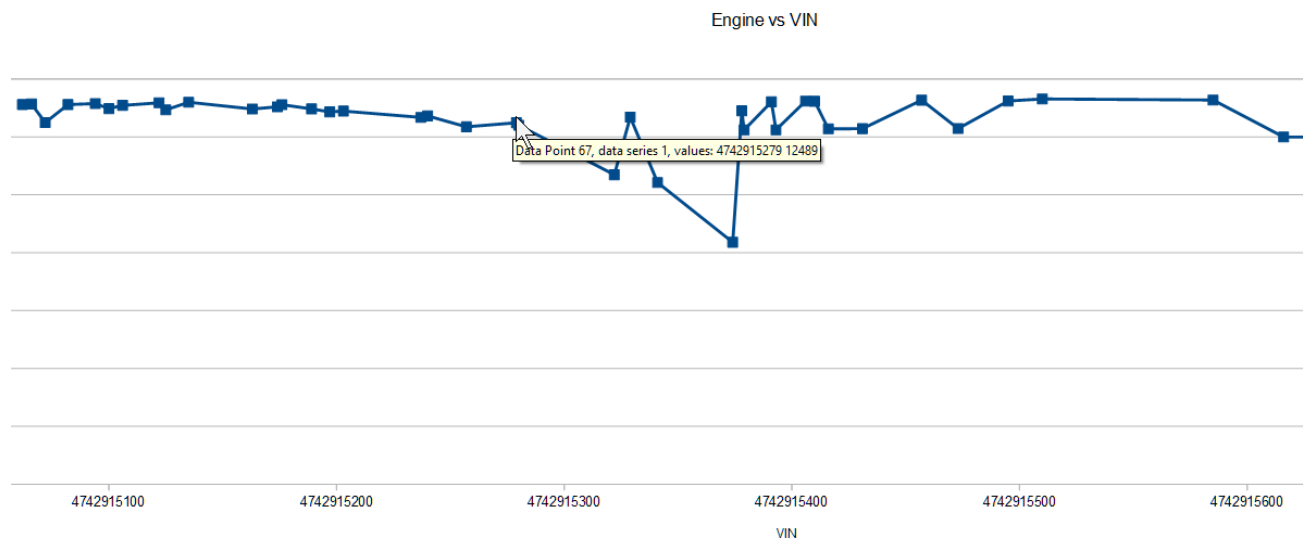
VIN : 4742900001 – 4742921370

Engine : GA0006766 - GA0015021 (USA 2.0 L)

Engine authenticity

There is a rather reliable way to check if the engine of a 914 LE is authentic.

The following graphic shows the engine number in function of the VIN number. A point which is quite outside the general line can be considered as an engine number error into the registry or an engine replacement. Of course some replacement can however remain undetected.



Engine number vs. VIN number No irregularity for VIN 4742915279 ?

Source : Jeff Bowsby registry

Porsche 914 options (1974)

M-471 (Europe & Rest of the world)

<u>M 471</u>	Grand-Tourisme-Ausstattung Europa/Rest Welt	Grand-Tourisme -Equipment Europe/Rest World
Lieferbar für: Available for:	473.024 - 473.124 - 473.214 - 473.314	
Inhalt: Frontspoiler, Stabilisatoren, Druckgussfelgen 5 1/2 J x 15 mit Reifen 165 x 15	Contents: Frontspoiler, Stabilizers, Pressure Cast Alloy wheels 5 1/2 J x 15 with tires 165 x 15	
Einsatztermin: April Planung 1974	Available: as of April 74 production	

M471 Grand Tourism Equipment Rest of the world (ref: JB)

M-778 or M-779 (Can Am equipment)

Following Jeff Bowsby, the Can Am equipment is referring to M-778 (or M-779 for Rest of World cars)

Can Am Package (LE)

Paint scheme (main + accent colours)
Forged alloy Mahle wheels (4-bolts)
Front & rear roll bars.
914 Can Am front spoiler
914 Limited Edition side stripes.

Appearance Group Package (other 914)

Exterior Enhancements

Chrome bumpers.
Black vinyl trim on the roll bar.
Dual-tone horns.

Lighting

Fog Lights mounted in the front grille.
Dedicated dashboard switch.

Can Am vs California option

Can Am vs. California options

Key Differences

Feature	California Option	Can-Am Option
Purpose	Emissions compliance for California.	Commemorative appearance package.
Market	Required in California.	Optional trim for U.S. market.
Features	Smog equipment, tuning adjustments.	Unique paint, trim, and wheels.
Performance Impact	Reduced engine output.	No engine performance changes.
Years Available	Throughout production.	Specific to 1974 914 LE models.

Source: ChatGPT "What is the difference between Can Am and California options ?"

Tariff 1974

1974 Porsche 914 Factory Price list comparison				
Cost comparison of Limited Edition vs similarly equipped 1974 Porsche 914 2.0L				
Item	Description	DM	DM	914 LE
914-1.8			15750	
914-2.0			16870	16870
Comfort pack			800	included
Grand Tourisme pack			990	990
Special paint not listed			894	
Special paint on list (for a Bumblebee)			610	included
				610
Option Prices		1.8L	2.0L	
M474	Bilstein shock absorbers	337	337	included
M485	Pressure cast alloy wheels 5.5Jx15 [Mahle]	726	726	included
M596	Forged alloy wheels 5.5Jx15 [Fuchs]	842	842	
M220	Sperr differential (80 percent)	726	726	
M404	Anti-roll bars	316	316	included
M102	Heated rear screen	118	118	
M285	Chrome bumpers	316	316	
M568	Laminated tinted glass (except rear)	410	252	included
M089	Tinted windscreen	167	included	
M567	Laminated tinted windscreen	316	158	
M640	PVC underseal	68	68	
M591	Centre console (as in Comfort pack)	62	62	included
M166	Seat belt for M570	58	58	
M570	Third seat cushion	53	53	included
M565	Sports padded steering wheel as in (Comfort pack)	116	116	included
M490	Electric aerial	135	135	
M097	Emden radio with electric aerial	365	365	
M095	Wolfsburg radio	288	288	
M572	Two-tone horn (as in Comfort pack)	37	37	included
M551	Halogen headlights (as in Comfort pack)	121	121	included
M433	Driving lights	37	37	
M659	Fog and driving lights	95	95	
M571	Fog lights	63	63	included
M652	Intermittent wipers	37	37	
Totals DM				17860
				20027
Total US dollars at an exchange rate of \$1 USD=2.72 DM				\$6,565
				\$7,362

Source : Jeff Bowlsby

Home market price list & options (in DM), May 1974

914-1.8	15,750
914-2.0	16,870
Comfort pack	800
Grand Tourisme pack	990
Special paint on list	610
Special paint not listed	894
Option prices including tax:	
	1.8L 2.0L
M474 Bilstein shock absorbers	337 337
M485 Pressure cast alloy wheels 5.5J x 15	726 726
M596 Forged alloy wheels 5.5J x 15	842 842
M220 Sperr differential (80%)	726 726
M404 Anti-roll bars	316 316
M102 Heated rear screen	118 118
M285 Chrome bumpers	316 316
M568 Laminated tinted glass (except rear)	410 252
M089 Tinted windscreen	167 -
M567 Laminated tinted windscreen	316 158
M640 PVC underseal	68 68
M591 Centre console (as in Comfort pack)	62 62
M166 Seatbelt for M570	58 58
M570 Third, centre seat cushion	53 53
M565 Sports padded steering wheel (as in Comfort pack)	116 116
M490 Electric aerial	135 135
M097 Emden radio with electric aerial	365 365
M095 Wolfsburg radio	288 288
M572 Two-tone horn (as in Comfort pack)	37 37
M551 Halogen headlights (as in Comfort pack)	121 121
M433 Driving lights	37 37
M659 Fog and driving lights	95 95
M571 Foglights	63 63
M652 Intermittent wipers	37 37

Matching tariff from this other source

PORSCHE + AUDI

403 052
14C18
MAKE PORSCHE MODEL 473644 YEAR 1974
6416

SERIAL NO. 4742921331 BODY TYPE 914 CONVERTIBLE

DISTRIBUTOR NAME & ADDRESS: PORSCHE/AUDI DIV. MIDVO INC 5000 POST ROAD DUBLIN OHIO

DEALER NAME & ADDRESS: CRONINS PORSCHE AUDI 5756 HAMILTON AVE. CINCINNATI, OHIO 45224

PORT OF ENTRY: TOLEDO METHOD OF TRANSP. AVG. TRANSPORTATION CHARGE: \$116.50

IMPORTER'S SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE WITHOUT ACCESSORIES AT PORT OF ENTRY: 6,565.00

5-SPEED TRANSMISSION
U.S. SEALED BEAM HEADLIGHTS
INTERMITTENT WINDSHIELD WIPER 20.00
LEATHERETTE COV. STEERING WHEEL N.C.
FOG LIGHTS IN BUMPER N.C.
DUAL-TONE HORN N.C.
CENTER CONSOLE WITH CLOCK, OIL TEMP. GAUGE & VOLTAGE METER N.C.
LEATHER BOOT FOR SHIFTLIVER N.C.
STABILIZER BARS FRONT & REAR N.C.
FRONT SPOILER N.C.
COLORED 5 1/2X15 PRESSURE CAST ALLOY WHEELS WITH 165 HR15 RADIAL TIRES N.C.
TWO TONE PAINT N.C.
PORSCHE SIDE LETTERING N.C.
4-WHEEL DISC BRAKES N.C.
TACHOMETER N.C.
FRESH AIR HEATING & VENTILATION N.C.
TWO-WAY ADJUSTABLE SEATS N.C.
REMOVABLE HARD TOP N.C.
ELECTRONIC FUEL INJECTION N.C.

SUB TOTAL W/O TRANSPORTATION 6,585.00

IMPORTER'S SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE* WITH ACCESSORIES AT DEALER'S LOCATION: 6,701.50

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Example of LE invoice (source Jeff Bowlsby)

4742915279's History

Important note about Jeff Bowsby's registry

Bowsby registry : <https://bowsby.net/914/CanAm/914CanAmRegistry.htm>

There are many option combinations for a Can Am Porsche 914 LE. Check various Certificates from the registry.

There are 2416 VINs in the related range, but some people say that about 1000 (thousand) 914 LE were built. (in which 500 Bumblebees). The registry lists 370 cars, in which a small number are not Can Am (why ?). Jeff Bowsby's estimation is that 30% of 914/LE are still existing.

There are a lot of difficulties to trace the behaviour of those cars, errors can easily be made. Is this registry an error free bible ? For example, let's give a look at these two cars.

A huge mistake ? No !



4742915279 (2012-12-10) – Jeff Bowsby registry

My car (4742915279) is listed into Bowsby's registry with this comment : « Factory Black but not Can Am ».

This picture is given as a kind of justification. In 2012, the car was in Belgium for 19 years. I thought first that there was a mistake!

But, I found later that the car was restored after this date by Garage Roland Oostvogels (Belgium).

⇒ Roland sent this picture to Jeff in 2012 when he started to restore the car !

Possible mistakes ?



Source Jeff Bowsby's registry

Image Properties	
File and Attributes	
File Name:	2012-12-10 (2012-12-10).jpg [1 / 1]
Location:	C:\User-Guides\Mobile+Auto, moto\Voiture, Porsche 914 LE, 2000cc, 1974\914 -
Type:	JPEG Bitmap (JPG) YCbCr
Size:	45.0 KB
Date Time:	2024-12-03 19:38:54
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- ◆ Model Year/Type: 1974 914
- Engine Number: 012364
- Transmission Number: NOT RECORDED
- Exterior Paint Color/Code: BLACK-SUMMER YELLOW TRIM / U1V9
- Interior Material Color/Type: BLACK LEATHERETTE-BASKETWEAVE / 11
- ◆ Optional Equipment:
 - CALIFORNIA EQUIPMENT
 - SEALED BEAM HEADLIGHTS
 - TINTED WINDSHIELD

(EXIF shooting date 2009-01-25)
Cam Am option not specified

Why this one (4742914424, Can Am option not specified), is listed as a LE anyway ?

Should we thrust this information ?

Can Am / LE options

This car (VIN 4742915279) has all ID numbers matching in the LE range (VIN, Chassis number & Engine number). So, it should really be considered as a true Porsche 914/LE.

Anyway, if it does not come with an authentic Can Am PPS or COA, the idea is to implement the possible missing options, as far as possible. Most important options are available since many years.

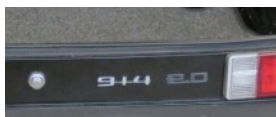
Identification	Available	Comment
VIN from 4742914348 to 4742916764 (2416 numbers)	Yes ⁽¹⁾	4742915279
First 3 digits of the chassis plate from 071 to 145 (or close to) 10/02/1974 to 04/04/1974 (8 weeks 1000/8 = 125 chassis per day)	Yes ⁽¹⁾	1029502 (04/03/1974)
2.0 L engine GA012489 - Fuel injection replaced by 2 twin carburetors (Weber)	Yes ⁽²⁾	012489 (matching number)
Transmission		HA 25 02 4

⁽¹⁾ Following Jeff Bowlsby

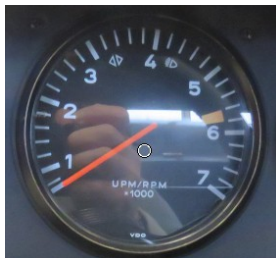
⁽²⁾ Following Jeff Bowlsby, Porsche 914 Club Holland & graphic hereafter

Option	Available	Comment
Exterior		
Paint code L041 or L80E	Yes	L-041 (Bumblebee)
914 Can Am Front spoiler	Yes	
Side stripes ⁽¹⁾	No	Removed after 2019, easy to add
Accent colour at wheels, valences, and bumpers	Yes	
Omitted Targa bar vinyl	Yes	
Black vinyl trim on the roll bar for a cleaner, more refined appearance.	No	
Black exterior metal trim ⁽¹⁾	No	± easy to make
Black plastic tail panel emblems ⁽¹⁾	Yes/No	914=No, 2.0=Yes
Dual-Tone Horns: Improved horn sound with a richer tone	Yes ???	
Equipment		
Light gray headlight relay covers	Yes	
Front & Rear anti-roll bars (stabilizers)	Yes	Rear=Yes, Front=Yes
Fog lamps mounted in the front grille		
Integrated with a dedicated dashboard switch for easy control	Yes	
Inside		
Center console (clock, oil temperature, battery voltage)	Yes	
Black centre instrument gauges	Yes	
Wind-shield washer jets	Yes	
Leather steering wheel	Yes	Second sport wheel available
Leather shift lever boot	Yes	
⁽¹⁾ Yellow lines must be improved		
Shock absorbers (special not-LE option)	???	

4742915279's options as pictures



Rear signs ⁽¹⁾



Black dashboard centre (see mark)



Center gauges, leather shift lever boot



Center seat pad



Genuine leatherette steering wheel



OMP Corsica wheel (not a 914 option)



Front roll-bar (see mark)



Rear roll-bar (see mark)



Gray cover on lifting lights relay



Spoiler – Bumpers & spoiler painted

in accent colour



PORSCHE side stripes ⁽¹⁾



Mahle wheel painted in accent colour



Fog lights in grille



Cibie lights (not a 914 option)



Painted Targa bar (no vinyl)



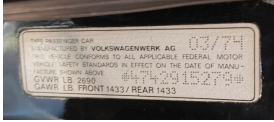
Targa chromed trims should ⁽¹⁾
(vinyl black)

⁽¹⁾ to be restored: PORSCHE trim, 914 rear sign and black Targa trims.

Identification numbers & plates



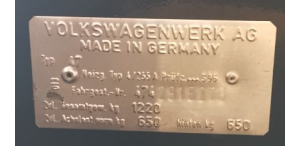
VIN 4742915279 (front trunk)



VIN number (driver door)
03/74 is matching Karmann's plate
chassis date (04/03/1974)



Karmann's plate (driver door)
Serial Number: 1029502
Colour code: L-041
S/N 1029502 (rear trunk bottom)
coming soon



Volkswagen's plate



Engine number: GA012489
(matching)

Authentication

VIN number 4742915279 is matching LE's range
(VINs from 4742914348 to 4742916764)

Karmann's plate date is matching VIN plate date
(chassis date 04/03/1974 vs. VIN date 03/74)

The 3 digits Karmann chassis date (1029502) is matching LE's range
(from 07195ss to 14595ss which means from 10/02/1974 to 04/04/1974)

Karmann's plate color L-041 is matching the Bumblebee colour code
See [this analysis](#) (subtitle: "Coulour codes, A fake problem: L04I or L041?")

Engine number GA012489 is matching VIN number


Everything is matching, but I am waiting for a Porsche certificate to know if the car got the Can Am M778 options.



Certificate(s)

Waiting for the PPS which was ordered to the Belgian Porsche importer.

History date by date

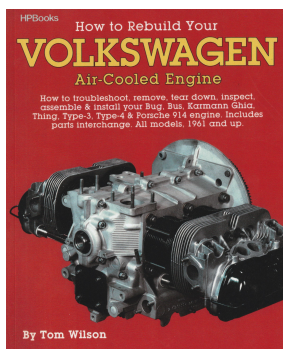
(1) In Belgium, the Car-Pass is recording the story of the car (delivered on request by the car control office) (2) Belgian owners count (nothing known about the US story).

Date	Plate	km	Remark
01/03/1974		0 km	Production : VIN 4742915279
15/09/1974			First time in circulation (California)
07/10/1993	Owner 1 ⁽²⁾	? miles	Imported in Belgium by Garage Geens, Koning Boudewijnlaan 6, 2250 Olen (Antwerpen) – Does not exist anymore.
(?)		? km	Tachometer was replaced to display speed and distance in km/h and km, Probably reset to 0 km or something between 0 and 3371 km.
How many miles at the tachometer before it was replaced ? When the tachometer was replaced to display in km and km/h ?			
11/07/2001		3 371 km	See Car-Pass dated 24/03/2021
09/07/2007		3 387 km	See Car-Pass dated 24/03/2021
What appends between 1993 (Garage Geens) and 2012 (Charlover bvba) ?			
2012 ?	none		Sold by Geert Verhaeghe (charlover@telenet.be , to Eugene Paesmans (+32(0)475 282 746)
2012	none		For sale by Charlover bvba, Kruinweg 26, 8670 Oostduinkerke/Koksijde charlover@telenet.be +32 (0)58 628 531
Who was the owner of the plate 1-ZAD-558 ?			
06/12/2012	Owner 2 1-ZAD-558 ?		Sold to Roland O., Wuustwezelseweg 41 - 2990 Loenhout (Belgium) www.oostvogels.be – info@oostvogels.be , +32 (0)3 669 70 61 Original invoice available. <i>“Only one owner before... It is an easy restaure because it has no rust at all...” (see email between Roland and Jeff Bowlsby).</i>
			
Appearance group present: Fog lights + Painted bumpers (picture on the left side) Leatherette steering wheel + leather shift lever boot + centre gauges + centre seat pad + Black dashboard centre (right)			
Missing CanAm/LE options: Accent colour – painted Targa bar & lower metal trim – black exterior metal trim – Mahle wheel (middle) (and maybe others)			
2013-2014			Restoration by Roland O. New parts bought to Arno Wienands (3 original invoices available dated 24/1/2013, 28/11/2013 & 27/02/2014)
When ?	Owner 3		Sold by Roland O. to Jos. D (Kalmhout/Antwerpen)
15/06/2018		19 193 km	Car-Pass (1) 11/07/2001 – 3 371 km 09/07/2007 – 3 387 km
16/06/2018	O-ACS-235		Belgian gray card

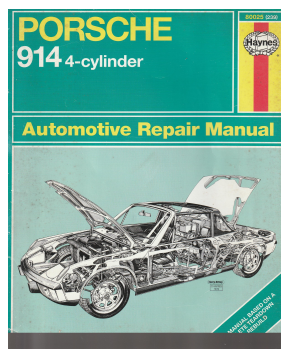
1-3/03/2019			 <p>Antwerp Classic Salon 1-3 March 2019 by Porsche Classic Club, Belgium www.instagram.com/p/Buk3h_FIN8N/?hl=fr&img_index=1</p>
05/11/2019	O-ACS-235	57 301 km	Original invoice from garage Piessens to Jos D. Garage Piessens (Porsche), Wittestraat 28, 2020 Antwerpen, 03 237 41 53
07/10/2020		70 941 km	See Car-Pass dated 24/03/2021
15/04/2021	Owner 4	72 000 km	Sold to Peter N. (Antwerpen)
29/10/2021	O-AFT-764	72 995 km	Original invoice from garage Piessens to Mr Peter N.
24/03/2021		72 197 km	Car-Pass (1) 11/07/2001 – 3 371 km 09/07/2007 – 3 387 km 15/06/2018 – 19 193 km 07/10/2020 – 70 941 km 24/03/2021 – 72 197 km
What appends between 2021 and 2023 (Mr Peter N.) ?			
01/05/2023		72 537 km	 <p>For sale by E&R Classic cars (most LE options restored – see here before)</p>
26/11/2024	Owner 5	72 537 km	Sold to Pierre L. (Brussels) by E&R Classic cars
2024/2025			Rebuilding car's history.

Car's library

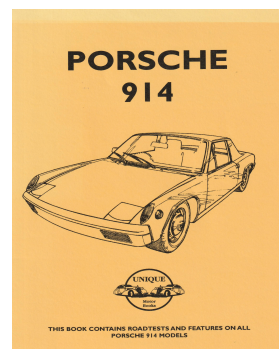
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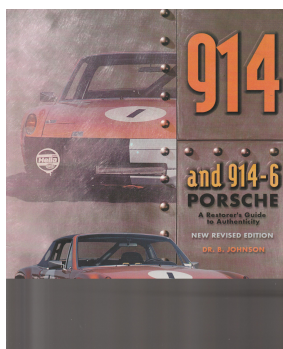
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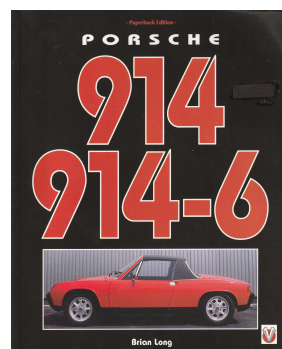
*Porsche 914 4-cylinder Automobile Repair Manual, Haynes (1976)
216 pg (also as eBook)*



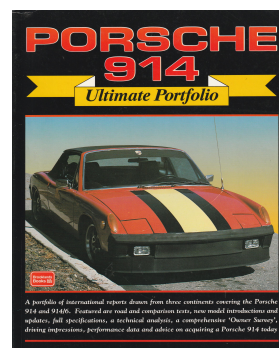
Porsche 914 (Roadtests Portfolio) Unique Motor Books



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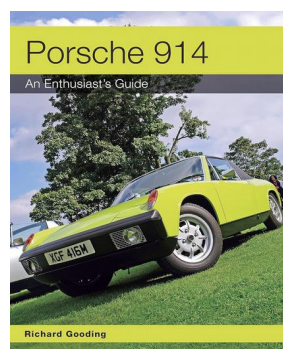


Porsche 914 and 914-6, Bryan Long

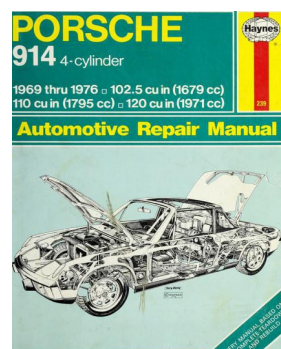


Porsche 914 - Ultimate portfolio Clarke R. M.

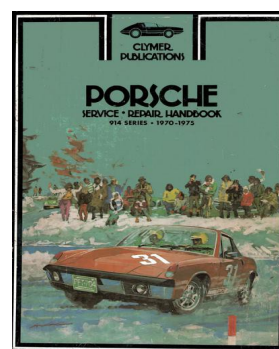
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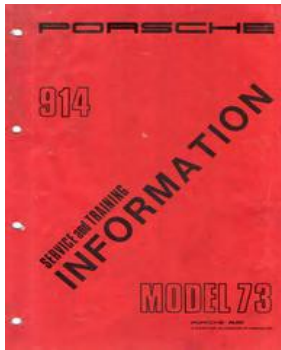
Porsche 914 – An Enthusiast's Guide, by Gooding Richard ePub



*Porsche 914 4-cylinder Automobile Repair Manual 1969 / 1976, Porsche 914 – 1.7L, 1.8L, 2.0L Haynes (1987, 216 pg, pdf)
(1989, 216 pg, pdf)
(see also as printed Book)*



*Porsche 914 - Service, Repair Handbook, Eric Jorgensen Glymer Publication (1970-1975)
288 pg, pdf*

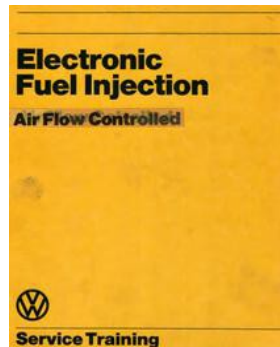


*Service and Training (1973), pdf
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*Service and Training (1975), pdf
(1.8L, 2.0L), 158 pg*



*Service and Training (1974)
(1.8L)*



*Service and Training (1974), pdf
Fuel injection*



*Porsche 914-6 Supplement Shop
Manual, pdf
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Links

- Jeff Bowlsby pages: <https://bowlsby.net/914/CanAm>
- 914World Forum
World Forum : www.914world.com
VIN Numbers : www.914world.com/specs/chasnrs.php
Production Numbers : www.914world.com/specs/productionnumbers.php
Engine Numbers : www.914world.com/specs/engnumbs.php
Colour Codes : www.914world.com/bbs2/index.php?act=colors
- Other links on the car's web page www.plang.be/914-LE

Appendices


Types of Porsche 914/4

	1700	1800	2000
	1969-1973	1974-1976	1973-1976
Moteur	1.7 L (1679 cm ³), 4 cylindres à plat, injection électronique	1.8 L (1795 cm ³), 4 cylindres à plat, carburateur ou injection électronique L-Jetronic selon le marché.	2.0 L (1971 cm ³), 4 cylindres à plat, injection électronique Bosch D- Jetronic.
Puissance	80 ch à 4900 tr/min.	85 ch à 5000 tr/min	100 ch à 4900 tr/min.
Couple	130 Nm à 3000 tr/min	140 Nm à 3000 tr/min.	160 Nm à 3500 tr/min.
0-100 km/h	3 s	12 s	10 s
Vitesse maxi	177 km/h	180 km/h	190 km/h
Caractéristiques	Première version de la 914. Moteur dérivé de Volkswagen, relativement fiable et économique. Dynamique de conduite équilibrée, mais performances modestes	Destinée à remplacer la 1.7 Offre une légère amélioration en performances. Moins avancée technologiquement que la 2.0	La plus puissante et sportive des moteurs Flat-4. Moteur plus sophistiqué, avec un meilleur équilibre entre puissance et économie. Suspensions légèrement améliorées pour correspondre aux performances accrues.
Avantages	Simplicité mécanique, coûts d'entretien bas	Compromis entre prix et performances, amélioration du couple à bas régime.	Sensation de sportivité bien plus marquée, meilleure réponse moteur.
Inconvénients	Manque de puissance pour les amateurs de sportivité.	Toujours perçue comme légèrement sous-motorisée	Coût d'acquisition et d'entretien plus élevé.

914 Limited Edition (1974)

Announcement





Porsche 914 2-Liter "Limited Edition."

Porsche 914 Presents a 'Limited Edition'


Only 1,000 American customers will have the opportunity to buy a Porsche 914 2-liter Limited Edition sports car.

The specially-equipped 914s will make their debut in April and will feature, in addition to the standard appearance group, special all-black interior, pressure cast alloy wheels, front spoiler, limited edition paint and trim, front and rear stabilizer bars and a striking "negative" stripe.

While the 914's low silhouette has become familiar to sports car enthusiasts, the 914 Limited Edition's color scheme will immediately identify it as a unique vehicle.

The Limited Edition is available in either black or white. The black version features yellow-painted trim including rocker panels,

You're looking at a Porsche that is one in a thousand. A just-released special limited edition Porsche 914. What makes it so special (and the other 99 like it) are performance features like these: front-end spoiler, magnesium alloy wheels, and racing-type stabilizers. Plus features like fog lights, extra instrumentation and luxury interior appointments. All that on top of the regular outstanding features a Porsche 914 2.0 has to offer. Like a 2.0-liter engine, mid-engine placement, unique Porsche handling, and 29 mpg. These special 914s, with their exclusive color combinations, are available now. But take our word for it, they won't be available for long.



LIMITED EDITION

*Message based on German InterCity Fuel Tank Standards.

East Denver
PIONEER PORSCHE AUDI, INC.
2140 South Peoria Street
Denver, Colorado

West Denver
BOB HAGSTAD PORSCHE AUDI, INC.
970 West Colfax Ave.
Denver, Colorado

Shoulder
STAMMLER PORSCHE AUDI, INC.
100 West Green
Boulder, Colorado

Special specifications

Paint scheme, Can Am options and Appearance Group Equipment are essential features of the 914 LE/Can Am. ("z..." pictures links to Jeff Bowsby's pages)

1. Exterior paint scheme

<p>Bumblebee (U1V9) L041 : Black (main) L13K : Sunflower yellow (accent)</p>	<p>Creamsicle (U2V9) L80E : Light Ivory (main) L32K : Phoenix Red (accent)</p>
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2. Can Am optional equipment package M-778






<p>Can Am front spoiler zLEspoiler.jpg, zLEspoiler3.jpg, zLEspoiler4.jpg, zLEspoiler5.jpg, zLEspoilerbracket.jpg</p>	<p>LE side stripes (PORSCHE) L80E : Light Ivory (main) L32K : Phoenix Red (accent)</p>
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Front and Rear Stabilizers (roll-bars, sway bars) OEM 15 mm front and 16 mm rear sway bars found on many 914s.	Forged alloy Mahle wheels (4-bolts)
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3. Appearance Group Equipment

Fog lights	Center console with clock, oil temperature and voltmeter gauges	Painted Targa bar and lower trim (no metal, no vinyl)
Leatherette steering wheel	Leather shift lever boot	
Painted bumpers (not chromed)	Center seat pad	

Distinguishing features of the Porsche 914 LE

 zTargaBarVinyl.jpg Omitted Targa Bar vinyl and lower bright metal trim (Painted)	 zBlackTrim.jpg Black exterior metal trim	 zGreyRelayCovers.jpg Grey Headlight relay covers
 zReg15176dash.jpg Dashboard gauges (black center)	 zReg15176console.jpg Center console gauges (black center)	Body emblems and trim Shock absorbers (available as an optional upgrade)

Other optional equipment

This is where Porsche 914 LE differ from each other.

 PORSCHE Certificate of Authenticity The Porsche vehicle with identification number 4742915176 was manufactured with the following assembly specifications: 4742915176 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model Year/Type: 1974 914 Birth Date/Production Completion Date: 07/23/1974 Engine Number: 04 03 2112 Transmission Number: 146 20304 Exterior Paint Color/Code: Black/Sunflower Yellow Trim with Black Top / U1V9 Interior Material Color/Type: Black - 1 leatherette Optional Equipment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> California Equipment: Sealed Beam Headlights, Tinted Glass Canadian Limited Edition Package zCOA15176.jpg California Equipment, Tinted Glass, Sealed Beam Headlights	 PORSCHE Certificate of Authenticity The Porsche vehicle with identification number 4742914416 was manufactured with the following assembly specifications: 4742914416 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model Year/Type: 1974 914 2.0 Roadster, Limited Edition Engine Number: 012486 Transmission Number: Not Recorded Exterior Paint Color/Code: Ivory/Phoenix Red U2V9 Interior Material Color/Type: Black Leatherette, Basketweave 11 Optional Equipment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> California Emissions Koni Shock Absorbers Tinted Windshield zCOA14416.gif California Emissions, Koni Shock Absorbers, Tinted Windshield	 PORSCHE Certificate of Authenticity The Porsche vehicle with identification number 4742915205 was manufactured with the following assembly specifications: 4742915205 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model Year/Type: 1974 914 Engine Number: 012627 Transmission Number: 5 SPEED / NUMBER NOT RECORDED Exterior Paint Color/Code: BLACK WITH YELLOW TRIM / U1V9 Interior Material Color/Type: BLACK LEATHERETTE / 11 Optional Equipment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEALED BEAM HEADLIGHTS U.S. EQUIPMENT LIMITED EDITION "CAVIAH" zCOA15205.jpg US Equipment, Sealed Beam Headlights (This car has clear glass, not tinted)
 PORSCHE CERTIFICATE The Porsche with chassis number 4742915139 was delivered on March 1, 1974, with the following assembly specifications: Model/Type: 914 Roadster Engine Number/Type: 013210 Transmission Number/Type: Not Recorded Exterior Paint Color/Code: Black/Sunflower Yellow V1V9 Interior Material Color/Type: Leatherette Black, Basketweave Optional Equipment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> USA Equipment Sealed Beam Headlights Tinted Windshield Intermittent Wiper Importer: Jackson-He, Ft. zCOA15391.jpg USA Equipment, Tinted Windshield,	 PORSCHE + AUDI The Porsche with chassis number 4742915139 was delivered on March 1, 1974, with the following assembly specifications: Model/Type: 914 Roadster Engine Number/Type: 013210 Transmission Number/Type: Not Recorded Exterior Paint Color/Code: Black/Sunflower Yellow V1V9 Interior Material Color/Type: Leatherette Black, Basketweave Optional Equipment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> USA Equipment Sealed Beam Headlights Tinted Windshield Intermittent Wiper Importer: Jackson-He, Ft. zCOA15391.jpg USA Equipment, Tinted Windshield,	 zReg15457B.jpg Rear window defroster (This car has clear glass, not tinted)

Sealed Beam Headlights, Intermittent Wiper	zWS15125.jpg Sealed Beam Headlights (This car has clear glass, not tinted)	
zReg15066F.jpg Tan vinyl upholstery and tan carpeting	zReg16502F.jpg 1975-76 style larger patterned (salt and pepper) charcoal carpet	