

# Auto-Sleeper Warwick XL

One of the best-selling models from the UK's biggest maker of van-based motorhomes, the Warwick XL is a classic two-berth



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**BASE VEHICLE** Peugeot Boxer

**PRICE FROM** £54,700

**BERTHS** 2

**TRAVEL SEATS** 2

**LENGTH** 6.36m

**WIDTH** 2.26m

**HEIGHT** 2.64m

**GROSS WEIGHT** 3,500kg

**PAYLOAD** 469kg

**A**T Auto-Sleepers changes are not made to every model for every season. Things are more evolutionary, so this year's Warwick XL looks much like the 2017 version, even though it gets a Trackstar Category 6 vehicle tracking system as standard. Much more noticeable, though, is the new Limewash Oak furniture option (seen here), along with Casa Mila or Sagrada soft furnishings. It's a bit lighter, brighter inside, in a layout that already felt spacious for its two occupants.

Peugeot's 2-litre 160bhp motor still gives the Auto-Sleeper a power advantage over key rivals, and it also comes with a leather steering

wheel, Garmin sat-nav, rear view camera, alloy wheels and more as part of the Premium Pack. That's an essential £2,500 add-on to the price listed above right.

You might also want the £995 Media Pack (incorporating a Maxview satellite system) but almost everything else – awning, fitted gas tank, microwave, etc – is already included.

The layout feels spacious and classy with sufficient room for a couple downsizing from a coachbuilt not to feel shortchanged. Here, after all, is the extra-long Peugeot van (6.36m long),



with the benefit of two rear settees each measuring over 6ft and without the overhanging wardrobe of the shorter Warwick Duo. It really comes to the fore with the back doors flung open on a warm summer's day.

Let's be in no doubt that the end lounge is a





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As the largest manufacturer of van conversions in the UK (as well as building a range of coachbuilds), Auto-Sleepers has retail outlets throughout England, Wales and Scotland, including both independent dealers and the 12 branches of sister company, Marquis Leisure. The extensive Auto-Sleeper dealer network is shown in full at [auto-sleepers.com/find-dealer/](http://auto-sleepers.com/find-dealer/)



**WHO IS AUTO-SLEEPERS?**

The small village of Willersey in the Cotswolds seems an unlikely home for a motorhome manufacturer, but Auto-Sleepers has been here for over 50 years.



All Auto-Sleepers' models have obtained EC Whole Vehicle Type Approval – and, indeed, the company now has a small network of dealers in Germany. Today, it offers UK buyers a range of seven Peugeot Boxer van conversions, a further nine Peugeot coachbuilds, plus six coachbuilds on the Mercedes Sprinter chassis.

Auto-Sleepers (along with sister company, Marquis) is now part of the French-owned Trigano Group.



star feature, with its armrests and scatter cushions, windows all around (mostly fixed), room to stretch out, reading lights and two tables. It's a luxurious place for a couple to unwind on holiday.

The lounge also makes into comfy single beds – just by removing the backrest cushions – or a huge (almost square) double. And, because you'll sleep lengthways, access to the kitchen and washroom is still easy, without any gymnastics.

The bathroom is another reason to buy a Warwick XL over the six-metre Warwick Duo

(and others), as it comes with a separate shower. Maybe you'd like just a tad more flat surface around the basin for your beauty potions, but the lack of any bathroom cupboard is compensated for by the wire baskets on the wall over the toilet and a recess with a retaining rail. That just leaves the rather small water tanks (69 litres fresh, a tiddly 40 litres for waste) as a possible incentive to use site facilities, rather than your own on board ones.

On the culinary side, it's not hard to see the appeal of cooking here. Just look at all of its features – microwave at eye-level, masses of

worktop, three-burner hob plus oven/grill, extractor hood, automatic energy selection fridge, well-placed mains sockets, a deep drawer for your pans and even a kitchen roll holder. What more could you want?

Storage is pretty good, too, with easy access into the under-seat space, thanks to gas struts that are strong enough to support the raised bases without removing any cushions. The wardrobe comes with three small drawers below and the elasticated pockets on the side of the wardrobe, backs of the cab seats and outside of the bathroom are useful, too.