

Deals on wheels

Our trawl around the market has highlighted some great buys. Just take a look at these...

AUTO-SLEEPER BROADWAY EK TB LP



SAVE
£6,500



WAS £61,495 **NOW £54,995**

Could this be the most confusing name on the whole motorhome market – where random numbers and letters seem to proliferate? Let us translate for you. EK equals end kitchen. TB means twin beds – or side settees to be more precise. And LP is, of course, low-profile because the Broadway can also be purchased with an overcab bed – not known as the OB!

This is a pre-registered example but don't worry about any of the fittings having been used as it's only got delivery mileage (195 miles) on that powerful 160bhp Peugeot engine.

Inside, it's a classic two-berth front lounge layout with a rear galley across the back wall and a corner washroom with neat swing-wall shower compartment. As you'd expect from an Auto-Sleeper, the spec list is very comprehensive, with everything from a solar panel to an awning, from alloy wheels to a fitted gas tank. At 6.28m long, this is a compact but spacious 'van for two.

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AUTO-TRAIL TRIBUTE 680

WAS £44,485 **NOW £41,995**

The Tribute range has been integrated into the Auto-Trail line-up for 2018, but the more prestigious branding hasn't stopped Marquis lopping nearly two-and-a-half grand off the price here. Registered in April 2018, this example has just five miles on the clock!

Being based on the extra-long Fiat panel van, this 680 model offers plenty of space for a couple to live comfortably, while the automotive-style rear passenger seats add versatility for, perhaps, taking the grandkids away (just add a pup tent or awning). It also means that you can dine up front (there's room for four) and relax at the back where long settees look even more inviting with the back doors wide open on a summer's day.

The silver metallic exterior stops the Tribute looking like an economy model and there's a 130bhp engine here, rather than the entry-level 115bhp. A fitted gas tank will save you money compared with Calor cylinder refills.



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BENIMAR TESSORO 483



SAVE
£3,000



WAS £53,995 **NOW £50,995**

This is one of our favourite new motorhomes of 2018 – as you can see on page 42 – so, with £3,000 knocked off the price of this example at Marquis' Preston branch, we like it even more! It's pre-registered on an 18-plate (in April) but who really cares that yours is not the first name in the logbook as it's effectively a brand-new, delivery mileage motorhome.

There's so much to like about these Tessoros, starting with the bit at the front – the Ford cab. It's in a different league to the dated Fiat inside and the 170PS motor gives it stonking performance. It comes with alloy wheels and metallic paint, too.

Under 7m long, the Tessoro 483's star features are the big garage and the even bigger bathroom. There's new rear styling on these 2018 models and three doors into the garage on this layout. The washroom includes a separate shower as well as the biggest wardrobe you're ever likely to find on a motorhome dealer's forecourt.

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ELDDIS MAJESTIC 105**WAS £46,495** * **NOW £42,995**

If you've been considering buying a larger van conversion, why not take a look at this? It's only 6m long and – unlike most coachbuilts – its bodywork is barely wider than the cab. However, the flat sides do create a bit more room inside.

In terms of layout, this Majestic 105 – a Marquis special edition based on the Elddis Accordo – is more like a larger coachbuilt that's shrunk in the wash, rather than using a typical campervan floorplan. It has side-facing settees up front for a comfortable, open-plan lounge, but of course there are no rear travel seats. The dominant feature, however, is the across-the-stern bathroom with proper separate shower – something normally associated with much larger 'vans and a big plus if you like to stay on aires or CLs.

The kitchen, too, is well-equipped, featuring a microwave as well as an oven/grill. Dual-fuel heating, an awning and alloy wheels are included, and the engine is the powerful 160bhp unit.

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SWIFT BOLERO 744PR**SAVE
£3,610****WAS £66,605** **NOW £62,995**

Another pre-registered motorhome (taxed from last August), this Swift has just over 500 miles on the clock and over £3,600 off the price as part of Marquis' Spring Spectacular. Swift dropped the Bolero range for 2018 but you'll still find a few brand-new examples on dealer forecourts at savings off the original list price.

This was one of the largest motorhomes in the Bolero line-up – at over eight metres long and on a 4,250kg chassis. The bonus of that bulk is a great payload (860kg) and lots of space on board. There's a roomy front lounge with straight and L-settees (plus swivel cab seats under a big sunroof) and another – possibly even more extravagant – lounge (which is U-shaped) at the back. Couples will be spoilt for space to sprawl.

Based on a Fiat Ducato with Al-Ko chassis and 150bhp engine, the other big plus here is the Alde 'wet' central heating system, while a roll-out awning is also part of the spec.

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SWIFT LIFESTYLE 622**WAS £45,955** **NOW £42,995**

Marquis no longer offers a special edition range from Swift, but it still has examples of the 2017 Lifestyle range in stock. This was a high-spec coachbuilt line-up based on the top-selling Swift Escape. It is instantly recognisable as something a little more upmarket, though, thanks to Black Edition styling with a metallic black Fiat cab and matching graphics, plus stylish alloys.

The layout is a popular British classic with a wrap-around U-shaped lounge – there are no rear travel seats, so this is a pure two-berth. At just 6.3m long and built on a 3.5-tonne chassis, its size is ideal for newcomers to the market. And being compact results in a generous payload of 680kg.

Base vehicle is the ubiquitous Fiat Ducato with the standard 130bhp engine and six-speed manual gearbox. The kitchen features a combined oven/grill, a three-burner hob and a fitted eye-level microwave, while an overcab sunroof creates a bright feel to the interior up front.

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