

# ACURA TL

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ACURA TL shown in Dark Emerald Pearl.









ACURA TL shown in Satin Silver Metallic.





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# P E R F O R M A N C E

FROM THE EXHILARATING RESPONSE AND

AUTHORITATIVE ACCELERATION OF ITS 225-

HORSEPOWER, RACING-INSPIRED ENGINE TO

THE PRECISE FEEL OF ITS HIGH-PERFORMANCE

CHASSIS, THE 1999 ACURA TL REPRESENTS A

NEW STANDARD, CHALLENGING THE WORLD'S

FINEST LUXURY/PERFORMANCE AUTOMOBILES.

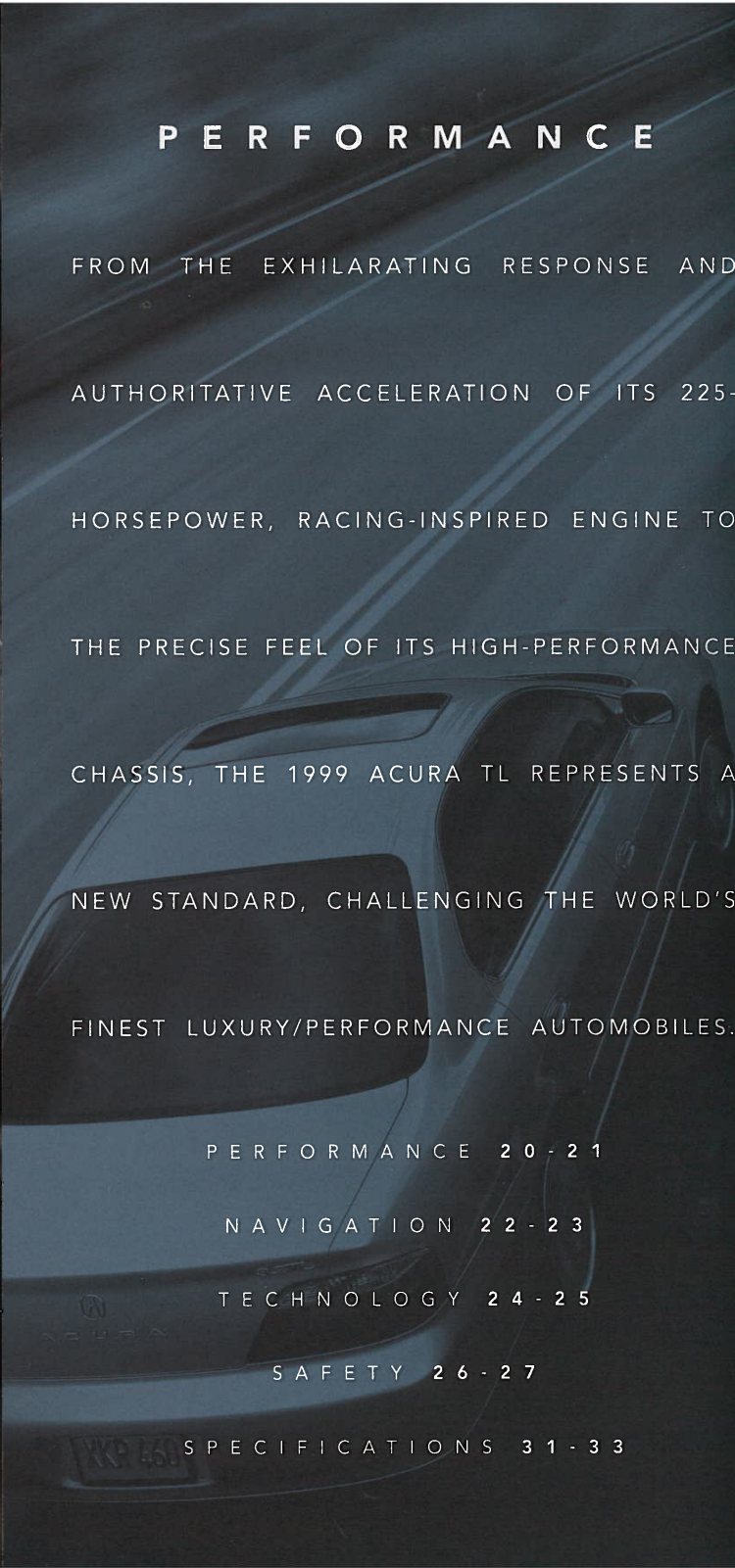
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# L U X U R Y

WHAT MAKES A GREAT LUXURY SEDAN? IT'S A FEELING OF INSPIRED ELEGANCE AND A SPIRIT OF CRAFTSMANSHIP THAT ACCEPTS NOTHING LESS THAN THE BEST. IT'S A COMPELLING SENSE OF STYLE—AND STRICT ATTENTION TO THE SMALLEST DETAIL, FROM THE FEEL OF SOFT LEATHER TO THE RICH LOOK OF WARM WOOD.

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IT'S BEEN A LONG DAY  
AT THE OFFICE. FINALLY,  
AFTER EVERYONE ELSE  
IS GONE, THE OFFICE  
DOOR IS LOCKED FOR  
THE NIGHT. THE TL  
FLASHES ITS LIGHTS  
TO GREET ITS DRIVER.  
THE SPACIOUS INTERIOR  
ENVIRONMENT BECKONS.  
THE **CLIMATE CONTROL**  
**AUTOMATICALLY**  
**DELIVERS THE IDEAL**  
**TEMPERATURE,** WHILE  
THE **HEATED, GLOVE-**  
**SOFT, LEATHER-TRIMMED**  
**DRIVER'S SEAT** OFFERS  
WELCOME SUPPORT AS IT  
SOOTHES TIRED MUSCLES.  
WHO EVER THOUGHT  
DAILY DRIVING COULD  
FEEL THIS THERAPEUTIC?





**SUPPLE, HAND-SELECTED LEATHER**

*The seating surfaces of the TL are trimmed in soft, hand-selected cowhide, specially treated to meet rigid Acura standards for consistent color, high durability and an elegant, matte surface finish.*



**THE MOST COMFORTABLE**

**PLACE YOU'VE EVER BEEN.** From the supple, hand-selected, leather seating surfaces to the quiet, quick-cool Automatic Climate Control System, we took extraordinary care to make the TL feel exactly correct, from the first test drive through subsequent years of satisfying ownership.

Accomplishing this means striking a careful balance between unmitigated comfort and stimulating response, with every point of contact between the driver and the TL fine-tuned to create an engaging sense of harmony.

State-of-the-art vibration control, high-tech soundproofing

and advanced aerodynamics make the TL ride as silently as cars costing much more.

**GENUINE WORKS OF**

**ERGONOMIC ART.** An ingenious suspension system and precisely sculptured, multidensity foam cushions conform precisely to the human form, and an intuitive, easy-to-use control array quickly molds the 8-way power driver's seat to your favorite position.

**AN AIR FILTER SYSTEM THAT REMOVES SOOT, POLLEN AND**

**EVEN BACTERIA.** The Climate Control System does much more than control the temperature.

Its micron air filtration system also removes diesel soot, allergy-causing pollen and disease-causing

bacteria as small as one millionth of an inch. In fact, the TL may also be one of the cleanest places you will ever visit.

**ENOUGH AIR CONDITIONER**

**CAPACITY TO COOL A MID-SIZED HOUSE.** Nobody enjoys sweltering

in a sun-soaked car on a hot summer day. The Acura TL is specifically designed to cool down rapidly from high interior temperatures—and that's why it is also equipped with special heat-rejecting green glass in the windshield, door and rear windows, to help keep solar radiation outside where it belongs.

When your neighbor's son says "cool car," he'll be right in more ways than one.

A NEW STANDARD IN  
GRATIFYING COMFORT—  
A RELAXING REFUGE OF  
SAVVY CONVENIENCE.

**SCULPTURED DRIVER'S SEAT**

*A seat so comfortable, you'll be tempted to put it in your living room.*

**A. CONTOURED HEADREST**

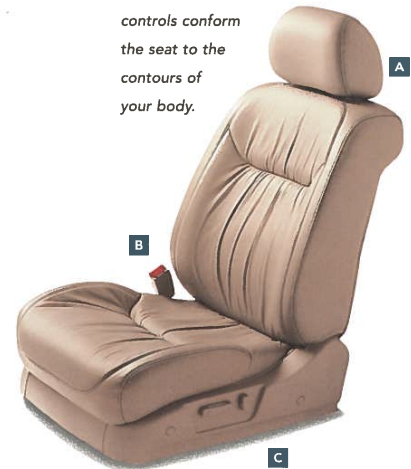
*Leather-trimmed for comfort; strong and fully height-adjustable for safety.*

**B. HEATED SEAT AND BACK**

*For cold winter mornings—or times when your muscles need a little warmth.*

**C. 8-WAY ADJUSTABLE**

*Intuitive, seat-mounted controls conform the seat to the contours of your body.*







THE AMAZINGLY  
WELL-EQUIPPED ACURA TL:  
WHY NOT HAVE IT ALL?

**REMOTE CONTROL  
HOMELINK® SYSTEM**

*This standard system lets you open garage doors without fumbling for a separate "clicker." Using optional modules, it can also be used to turn on houselights\* from the comfort and safety of your TL.*

*\*Requires additional HomeLink Lighting accessory*



Other manufacturers of luxury sedans seem to consider luxury amenities as optional extras—features tacked on to a spartan “base” model, along with a rapidly growing price tag. That’s not how we do things at Acura.

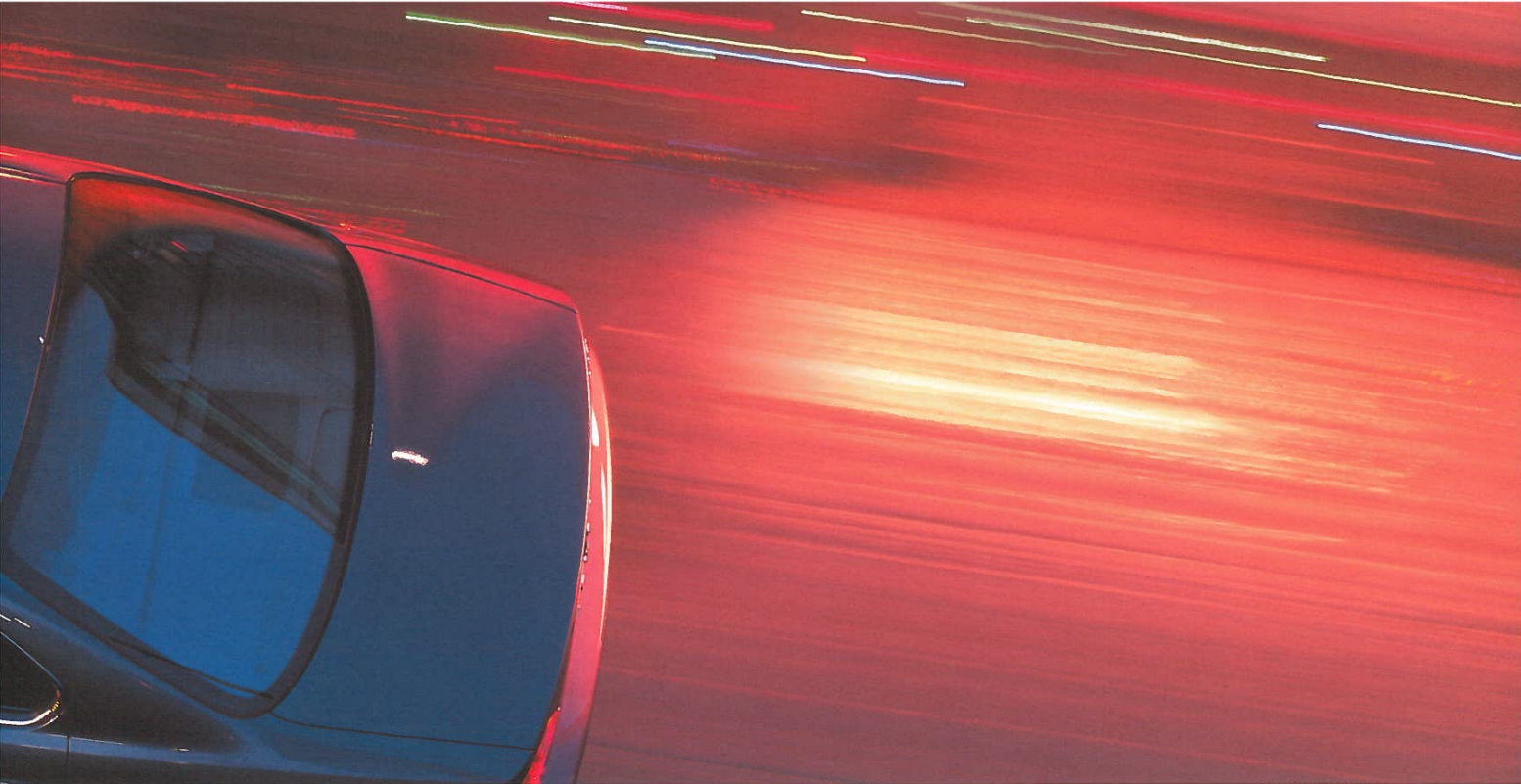
**EVERY TL COMES RICHLY  
EQUIPPED—WITH A COMPLETE  
ARRAY OF LUXURY FEATURES.**

In designing the TL, we decided that every driver deserves the best, most comprehensive features

and technology we have to offer—not just a privileged few. From the standard power-operated moonroof to heated front seats, the immobilizer-equipped ignition system and the rich leather-appointed interior, we were determined to make every TL a showpiece of luxury, performance and convenience.







**THERE IS ONLY ONE FACTORY  
OPTION: THE STATE-OF-THE-ART  
ACURA NAVIGATION SYSTEM.**

Every TL comes with all the other features normally associated with a top-of-the-line luxury sedan, including Automatic Climate Control; leather-trimmed seating; power windows, door locks and heated mirrors; a heated, 8-way adjustable, power driver's seat and heated, 4-way adjustable, power front-passenger seat; heat-rejecting

green glass; rich wood-grained trim; auto-off headlights; comprehensive interior lighting, including a lighted glove box and cupholder-equipped center console; console-mounted auxiliary power socket for cellular phones or other accessories; and a host of other thoughtful touches too numerous to list. In short, the Acura TL is designed for people with simple needs. They simply need everything, all the time.



**REAR SEAT CUPHOLDER  
AND TRUNK PASS-THROUGH**

*In the TL, backseat passengers take a backseat to nobody. There's an abundance of leg room, shoulder room and head room, and a fold-down armrest incorporates a handy dual cupholder. A lockable trunk pass-through lets you carry skis with ease.*



**ADJUSTABLE REAR SEAT  
CLIMATE CONTROL**

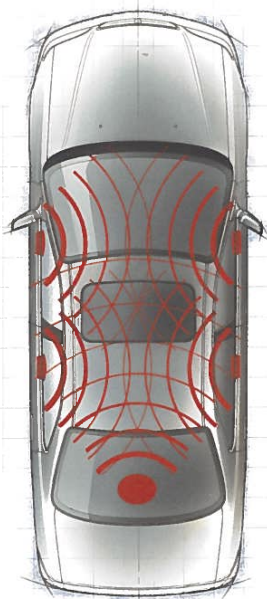
*Rear seat passengers can control their own environmental destiny with the adjustable vents of the rear seat climate-control console. A convenient, removable storage bin also makes life in the back more pleasant, keeping personal items organized and accessible.*



A POWERFUL ACURA/BOSE  
MUSIC SYSTEM—FOR MUSICAL  
PERFORMANCE AS EXCITING  
AS THE TL IS TO DRIVE.

**YOUR OWN CUSTOM-  
DESIGNED MUSIC HALL**

*The Acura/Bose® Music System, standard on the TL, has been engineered for the unique acoustics of the TL cabin, using such tools as special microphone-equipped mannequins and the most critical listening devices of all: human ears.*



For a luxury performance sedan with the credentials of the TL, only the most advanced, custom-tailored music system would be appropriate.

**MUSICAL PERFORMANCE**

**BETTER THAN MOST HOME SYSTEMS.** A remarkably powerful, Nd™ woofer-equipped Acura/Bose Music System was designed specifically for the listening environment of the new TL. The system is carefully tested and adjusted to bring the music back alive, whether you're positioned in the driver's seat or relaxing in the spacious rear seating area.

**A LUXURY SEDAN—OR A CONCERT HALL?** The TL music system gives you the capability to

play music in any popular format, with a convenient, in-dash CD player; a Dolby-equipped cassette player; and full AM/FM stereo reception as well. The system is designed to be as easy to use as it is gratifying to listen to, with intuitive round knobs for radio tuning and volume adjustment.

**AN ORCHESTRA AT YOUR FINGERTIPS.** Standard steering wheel-mounted controls let you adjust volume or change musical programming without the distraction of taking your hands from the wheel.

**A TRUNK SO ROOMY, IT CAN HOLD SIX OF YOUR FAVORITE PERFORMERS.** For serious listeners, we recommend the

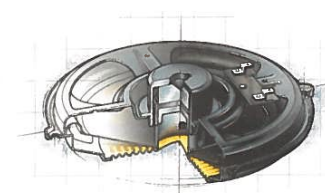
**A MUSIC SYSTEM  
CUSTOM-TAILORED TO  
THE TL INTERIOR**

*The centerpiece of the TL Acura/Bose Music System is the advanced technology Bose Nd™ woofer located under the rear window. Using its own, separate, 100-watt Bose amplifier, it fills the TL cabin with rich, tightly controlled bass.*



available six-disc, trunk-mounted CD changer, which gives you up to eight hours of uninterrupted digital sound, all controlled by the standard steering wheel and head-unit music controls.

The elegant design of the TL system is also visible from the outside: The AM/FM antenna is actually printed into the rear window, for reduced drag, enhanced reliability and a cleaner look.



**BOSE® Nd WOOFER**

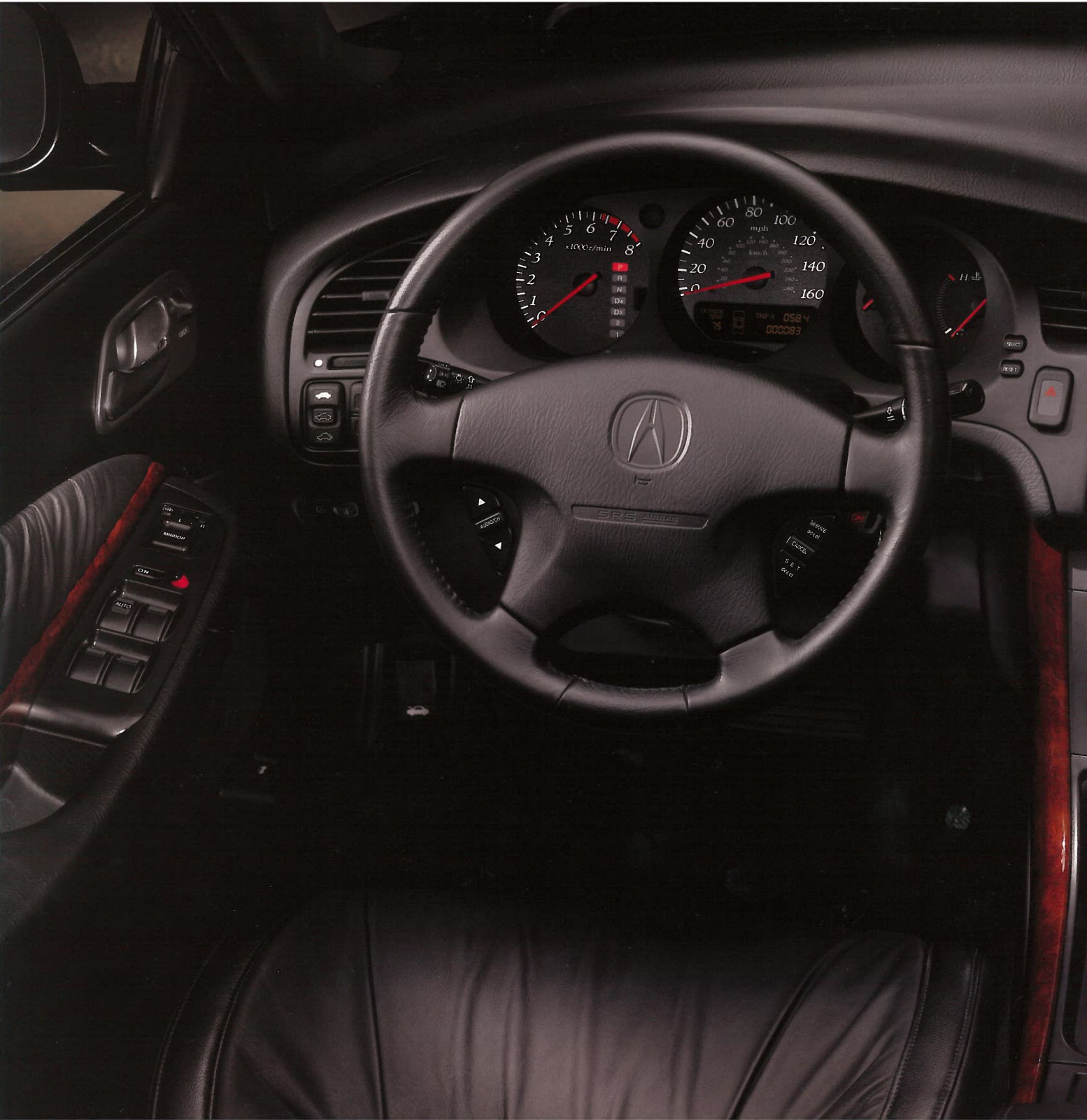
*The round, nine-inch Nd™ woofer distributes rich, concert-quality bass throughout the Acura TL cabin.*



IT'S A BEAUTIFUL DRIVE UP THE COAST, THE STEERING WHEEL ALIVE IN THE DRIVER'S HANDS AS THE TL WINDS OVER MIST-DAMPENED PAVEMENT. THE MUSIC IS PERFECT, TOO, THANKS TO THE VARIETY OF CHOICES OFFERED BY THE AVAILABLE **SIX-DISC, TRUNK-MOUNTED CD CHANGER**. THE DRIVE DEMANDS COMPLETE CONCENTRATION—BUT WITH **STEERING WHEEL-MOUNTED CONTROLS**, THE MUSICAL PROGRAM CAN BE DIRECTED WITHOUT EVER DIVERTING THE DRIVER'S ATTENTION FROM THE ROAD AHEAD.







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ACURA TL shown with Ebony leather-appointed interior.







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**ACURA TL** shown in *Firepepper Red Pearl*.





THE THROTTLE OPENS  
ALL THE WAY. IN A  
FRACTION OF A SECOND  
THE **ELECTRONICALLY  
CONTROLLED, FOUR-  
SPEED AUTOMATIC  
SPORTSHIFT  
TRANSMISSION** DOWN-  
SHIFTS FOR MAXIMUM  
RESPONSE. THE TL  
SURGES FORWARD AS  
THE **225-HORSEPOWER,  
RACING-INSPIRED V-6**  
LAUNCHES IT PAST  
THE TRUCK AHEAD.  
PRESENTLY, THE TL IS  
BACK IN ITS LANE. THE  
ENGINE SETTLES BACK  
TO CRUISING RPM—  
THE SLOWER TRAFFIC  
NOW FAR BEHIND.





**RACING-INSPIRED,  
4-VALVE-PER-CYLINDER DESIGN**

*The impressive new TL engine uses technology tested at over 240 mph—a state-of-the-art, multivalve design proven on racetracks from Monaco to Michigan International.*



In creating the new TL powerplant, our world-class engineers drew upon years of experience earned on the Grand Prix racetracks of Europe and the 240-plus-mph superspeedways of American Champ car racing.

**ENJOY A 225-HORSEPOWER, 24-VALVE, VTEC V-6.** The engine that propels the new TL is tuned for amazingly smooth operation, effortless high-speed cruising and virtually instant response in high-performance driving, passing and merging onto freeways.

**VTEC TECHNOLOGY—FIRST INTRODUCED ON THE LEGENDARY ACURA NSX.** To give the new TL the best possible combination of

prodigious low-end torque and exhilarating high-rpm thrust, the designers incorporated the latest generation of the VTEC (Variable Valve Timing and Lift Electronic Control) system. The VTEC system automatically switches between two separate camshaft profiles, tailoring engine breathing for enhanced throttle response and impressive fuel efficiency in normal driving, and race-car-like peak power as the tach needle sweeps toward the redline.

Like the NSX, the TL uses the latest in advanced electronic engine-management systems, including computer-controlled PGM-FI fuel injection and a computerized direct ignition

system that optimizes spark timing for the individual cylinders.

**THE PERFORMANCE OF AN  
ATHLETE—THE MANNERS OF A**

**MAÎTRE D'.** The sophisticated powertrain of the Acura TL is a worthy partner to its nearly silent, amazingly smooth powerplant.

**GRAND PRIX-INSPIRED  
SPORTSHIFT TRANSMISSION.**

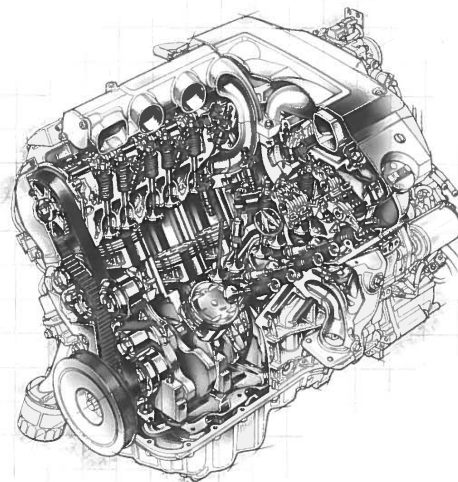
The 4-speed automatic transmission utilizes sophisticated computer controls, and a standard, quick-reacting SportShift system gives you the immediate control of a Formula One-style auto-manual gearbox with the smoothness and convenience of a sophisticated automatic transmission.

BRED FOR UNFORGETTABLE  
PERFORMANCE, THE ACURA TL  
IS DESIGNED TO LEAVE YOU  
STIRRED, NOT SHAKEN.

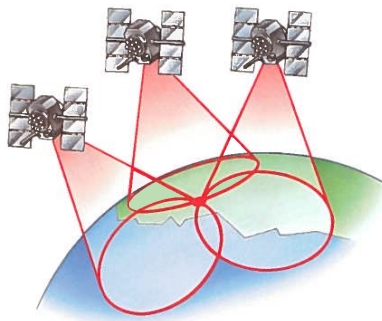
**A 225-HORSEPOWER  
MASTERPIECE**

*The 3.2-liter, 24-valve, all-aluminum V-6 includes technology proven on racetracks all over the world. Delivering impressive smoothness, immediate response and best-in-class power output.\**

\*Import luxury nameplate, near-luxury class.



TAKE COMPLETE CONTROL OF  
YOUR DRIVING EXPERIENCE WITH  
THE STATE-OF-THE-ART ACURA  
NAVIGATION SYSTEM.



**GLOBAL POSITIONING  
SYSTEM GUIDANCE**

*Using technology developed for the U.S. military, the Acura Navigation System tracks up to eight orbiting satellites, interpreting their radio signals to guide you with amazing accuracy.*



**NEVER ASK FOR  
DIRECTIONS AGAIN.**

*Using the simple, intuitive joystick or the advanced, color-touchscreen dash display, you quickly zoom in or out, viewing a map of a neighborhood—or an entire city—to pinpoint your location or destination.*

**TECHNOLOGY SO ADVANCED,  
IT MAKES ROUTE-FINDING EASY.**

Driving a world-class sedan such as the TL is a sure indication that you've truly arrived. And with the available in-dash Acura Navigation System, your TL can help show you the way. The system can direct you to virtually any business or residential address, guiding you with clear, easy-to-follow voice and visual directions.

**WHERE'S THE NEAREST ITALIAN RESTAURANT? JUST LOOK AT THE MENU.** The hard-disc memory contains a wealth of navigational data, including banks, ATMs, gas stations, airports and restaurants. Using convenient

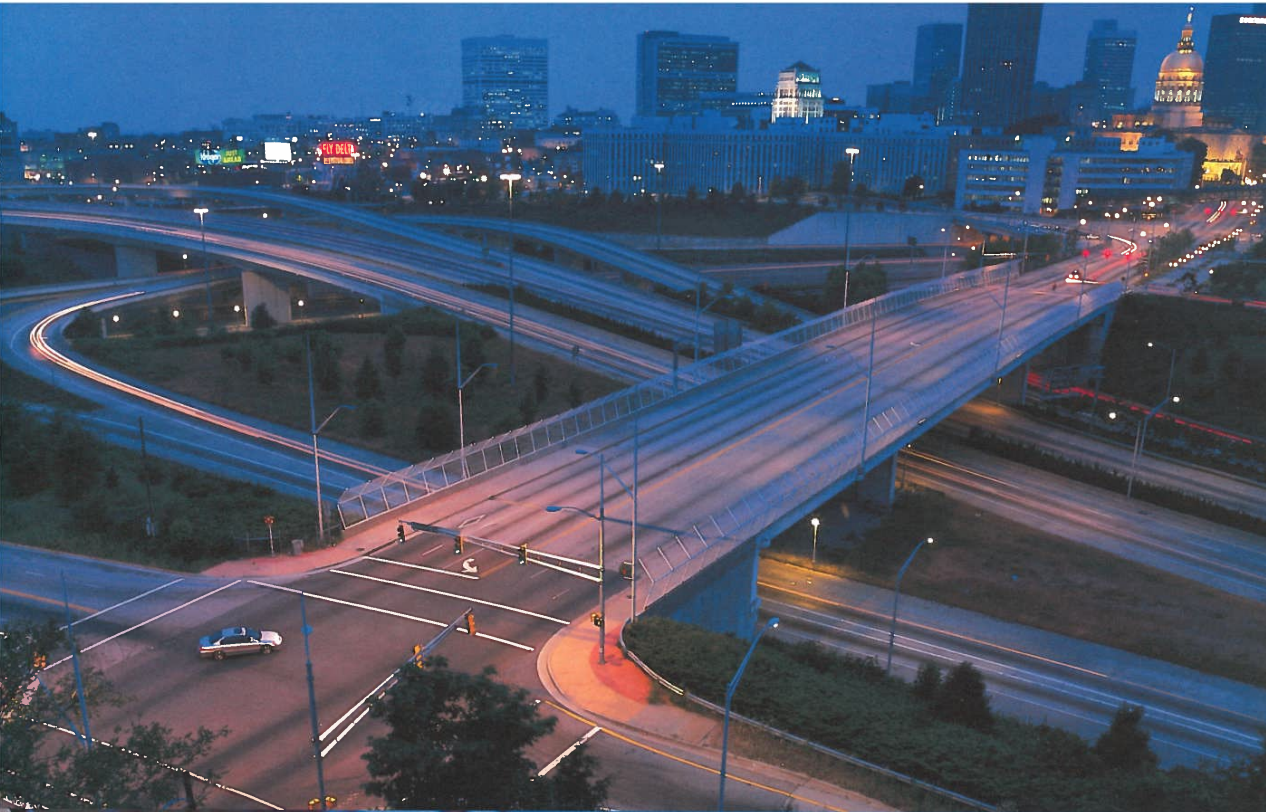
menus displayed on the wide-screen, touchscreen display, you simply select a destination or address and the Navigation System does the rest. And points of interest, such as restaurants, can be located simply by inputting their phone numbers.

**YOU CAN GO YOUR OWN WAY.** Once a destination has been selected, the system computer calculates the most efficient route, depending on your personal driving preferences. Select the shortest route or the easiest route, or opt to avoid expressways if you prefer—the choices are left up to you. If traffic conditions or a detour interrupt your trip, the system can quickly recalculate a

new route in a matter of seconds. The system shows and tells you the way, allowing plenty of time to prepare for expressway exits and crucial turns. It's so accurate, it often guides you right to a specific driveway.

**HOW DOES IT KNOW?** It takes three advanced navigation inputs to make a system this accurate. Global Positioning System input is matched with data from a gyroscopic inertial guidance system, along with motion data gathered from the vehicle speed sensor. Your TL can take you almost anywhere. And with the Acura Navigation System, it can even help you find your way back.





WHERE, EXACTLY, IS THAT HOTEL THAT'S HOLDING YOUR ROOM? YOU CAN BE SURE YOUR TL KNOWS THE WAY. TOUCH "HOTEL/MOTEL" ON THE **TOUCHSCREEN MENU**, AND IN SECONDS A SELECTION OF LODGING TO ECONOMICAL, SCROLLS DOWN. ONE MORE QUICK TOUCH AND THE TL IS ON ITS WAY, GUIDED BY SIGNALS FROM SPACE. **AUDIBLE DIRECTIONS** STEER THE TL UNERRINGLY THROUGH A MAZE OF OFFRAMPS, RIGHT TO THE CURB OF THE WAITING HOTEL DOORMAN.

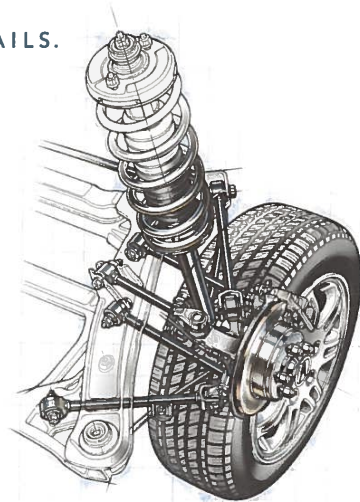




A FEELING OF GLIDING ON  
VELVET—AND THE GRIP OF  
CORNERING ON RAILS.

**ADVANCED, MULTILINK,  
DOUBLE-WISHBONE,  
REAR SUSPENSION SYSTEM**

*The all-new TL rear suspension uses five rigid, tubular-steel links to position the rear wheels with utter precision. All five links attach to a high-precision subframe, eliminating road noise and vibration while enhancing high-speed handling.*



**SETTING THE GOALS FOR THE NEW ACURA TL WAS DECEPTIVELY SIMPLE.** We evaluated the best luxury and sport sedans from Germany, Sweden, England, Japan and the United States. And then endeavored to exceed their performance in every category, from acceleration and top speed to vibration control, interior comfort, wind noise, handling response and braking.

The TL is based on a rigid,

steel-reinforced, unit-body structure that yields a quiet ride and a strong, solid feel in high-speed maneuvers. A 4-wheel independent, double-wishbone front and a multilink double-wishbone rear suspension absorb road irregularities with ease while imparting a sense of intuitive road feel and authoritative control.

**THE ENHANCED TRACTION OF FRONT-WHEEL DRIVE.** This adds an extra measure of stability





and predictable, surefooted handling when driving in rain, snow or other challenging conditions.



**INSTRUMENTS DESIGNED TO BE READ AT A GLANCE**

*We consider driving a serious business—that's why we steer clear of gimmicky readouts and hard-to-decipher digital displays. Clear, simple, analog gauges deliver information almost intuitively, and luminescent gauge needles aid readability.*

**AN ADVANCED TRACTION**

**CONTROL SYSTEM.** Enhanced low-speed control on ice, snow and rain-slick streets is achieved by automatically slowing the proper driving wheel if impending wheelspin is detected.



**A BRAKING SYSTEM AS**

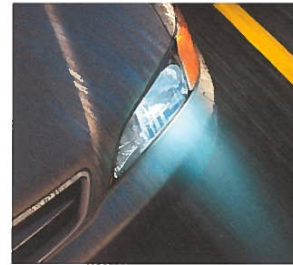
**SOPHISTICATED AS THE SUPERB POWERTRAIN.** The TL 4-wheel disc-brake system is designed to give the solid feel, linear response and fade-resistant performance

of a great racing car. And an advanced, computer-controlled, Acura-designed Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) helps to retain effective steering control, even when braking on slippery surfaces.

**THE STABILITY AND TRACTION OF FRONT-WHEEL DRIVE**

*It's simple physics. To get enhanced traction and control in tough driving situations, we put the weight of the powertrain over the driving wheels, pulling the car forward instead of pushing it from behind.*

ONE IMPORTANT FEATURE  
BUILT INTO EVERY ACURA TL:  
A WELL-FOUNDED FEELING OF  
SAFETY AND SECURITY.



**HIGH-INTENSITY  
DISCHARGE (HID)  
HEADLIGHTS**

*The brilliant blue-white light of HID headlights gives you dramatically enhanced vision, increased energy efficiency and improved lamp durability.*

**ONE AREA WHERE OUR ENGINEERS  
WERE HAPPY TO PLAY IT SAFE**

*The rigid, steel-reinforced, TL unit-body structure—carefully designed to help protect its passengers from harm.*

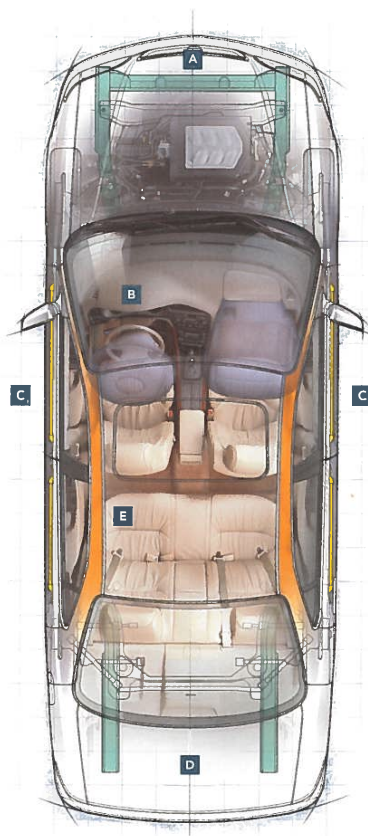
**A. FRONT CRUMPLE ZONE** *The front section is designed to absorb energy progressively, dissipating force before it can affect the rigid passenger cabin.*

**B. DRIVER AND FRONT PASSENGER AIR BAGS** *Dual air bags, triggered through gold-plated connectors, inflate to cushion front seat passengers in a severe frontal collision.*

**C. DUAL FRONT SIDE-IMPACT DOOR BEAMS** *For added protection in a possible lateral collision, each front door contains two high-strength, tubular door beams, as well as two special, energy-absorbing hip and shoulder pads.*

**D. REAR CRUMPLE ZONE** *Like the front section, the rear of the TL is designed to absorb energy to protect the vital passenger cabin.*

**E. ADVANCED HEAD PROTECTION** *The center pillar and roof rail are specially padded, helping to dissipate energy in a possible side impact.*



We believe it's impossible to feel truly at ease unless you feel confident and secure. Which is why we worked so hard on the advanced safety systems designed into the new Acura TL.

**FRONT-WHEEL DRIVE—  
BECAUSE THE SAFEST CAR IS  
ONE THAT AVOIDS AN ACCIDENT.**

In normal driving, it is difficult for even a skilled driver to determine whether a car is driven at the front or the rear. But in an emergency, or when driving in rain, ice or snow, the front-wheel-drive layout of the TL enhances traction and stability.

**DESIGNING THE ACURA TL  
STRUCTURE: IT ACTUALLY IS  
ROCKET SCIENCE.** The steel-

reinforced structure of the TL was designed using the NASTRAN finite-element-analysis computer program—originally written to help NASA design rocket boosters. The result is a stiff, strong cabin, designed to absorb the effects of a possible collision before they can affect the passengers within.

**TCS, ABS—PUT THEM ALL TOGETHER, AND THEY SPELL CONFIDENCE.** For enhanced control in rain, ice and snow, the TL has a standard Traction Control System that automatically transfers torque to the drive wheel with the better grip at any speed under 25 mph. And the 4-wheel Anti-Lock Braking System enhances steering control, even during hard braking.





THE STANDARD TRACTION

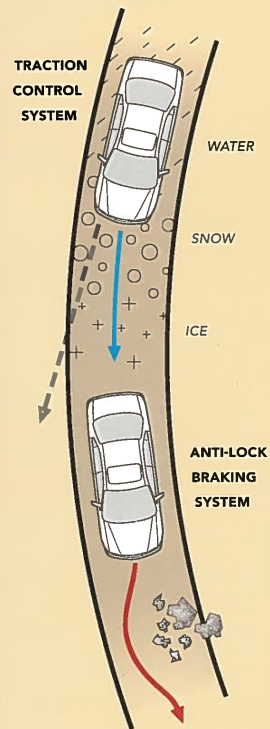
**CONTROL SYSTEM**

PROVIDES ADDED GRIP

IN RAIN, SNOW, ICE OR

OTHER REDUCED-

TRACTION SITUATIONS.



LIKE EVERY OTHER ACURA

MODEL, THE TL ALSO

FEATURES AN ADVANCED

4-WHEEL **ANTI-LOCK**

**BRAKING SYSTEM (ABS)**

FOR ADDED CONTROL.







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**TOTAL LUXURY CARE™**

**24-HOUR ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE BENEFITS**  
 Any time of the day or night, anywhere in the U.S., we're on call if you need help.

**24-HOUR EMERGENCY AUTO TOWING**  
 If your Acura suffers from a mechanical problem, we'll tow you to the nearest Acura dealer or authorized facility.

**ACURA CONCIERGE SERVICE**  
 A list of additional services—from booking hotels to tour planning—to help make each trip as pleasant as possible.

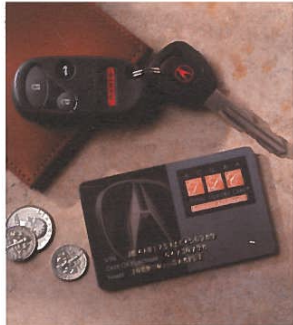
**TRIP-INTERRUPTION BENEFITS & EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT**  
 If a warranty-covered problem interrupts your trip, Acura will reimburse you for any reasonable additional expenses you incur.

**COMPUTERIZED TRIP-ROUTING/MAP SERVICES**  
 Acura will even plan your trip for you, using our extensive database of over 160,000 cities, towns and points of special interest.

**EMERGENCY VEHICLE-LOCKOUT SERVICE**  
 Accidents can happen to anybody, and if it should happen to you, we'll help you get a replacement key or have your vehicle unlocked.

See your Acura dealer for details about the privileges of ownership, which include Total Luxury Care™ (TLC), Acura Roadside Assistance and Concierge Service. Total Luxury Care is a trademark of Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

**ACURA CARE**  
 Acura Care provides coverage beyond the initial warranty period. This includes 24-hour Roadside Assistance, in addition to other plan benefits. Ask your dealer for details.



**TOTAL LUXURY CARE OWNER BENEFITS**  
 Your owner's portfolio includes an Acura key fob, a TLC Roadside Assistance card, a guide to the TLC program and a complete listing of Acura dealers.

**THE ACURA EXPERIENCE: MUCH MORE THAN DRIVING A FINE AUTOMOBILE.** Many automakers consider their job over when a car rolls off the showroom floor. At Acura, we know our job is just beginning. We believe that the experience of owning a world-class automobile should involve much more than driving—it should also include the best of luxury care.

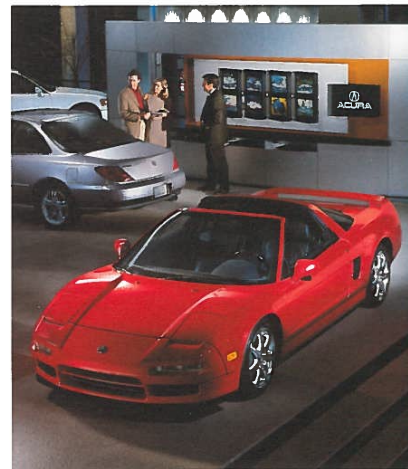
**FROM EVERY ACURA DEALER—A SPIRIT OF COURTESY AND COMMITMENT.** Every new Acura is covered by a 4-year or 50,000-mile limited warranty\*; the optional Acura Care Program can provide additional service and repair coverage beyond the initial warranty period. With either

warranty coverage, a loaner vehicle will be provided to you, free of charge, whenever possible, if it should ever prove necessary for your Acura automobile to remain overnight for warranty service.

**TOTAL LUXURY CARE: A WELCOMING WORLD OF SPECIAL OWNER BENEFITS.** The Total Luxury Care (TLC) card you receive with your new Acura opens up a world of owner benefits. From the peace of mind of 24-hour Roadside Assistance to the convenience of map planning, trip-routing services and special Concierge Service, TLC makes owning an Acura a uniquely pleasurable experience.

\*See dealer for warranty details.

RECEIVE UNMATCHED CARE FROM ACURA CUSTOMER SERVICE.



**ACURA-TRAINED SERVICE PERSONNEL**  
 Acura service personnel are specially trained to maintain the advanced systems of your Acura. A computerized parts network can rush a needed part to your dealer in remarkably short order.

RIGHT FROM THE  
START, WE BUILT THE  
TL TO HAVE A  
FLAWLESS FINISH.

## ACURA TL SERIES

EXTERIOR COLOR	INTERIOR COLOR
Taffeta White	Fern or Parchment
Dark Emerald Pearl	Parchment
Heather Mist Metallic	Parchment
Firepepper Red Pearl	Ebony or Parchment
Monterey Blue Pearl	Parchment
Laguna Green Metallic	Fern
Satin Silver Metallic	Ebony
Flamenco Black Pearl	Ebony or Parchment
White Diamond Pearl*	Parchment

*\*Available in early 1999*

**BEAUTY THAT DOESN'T FADE: THE TL FINISH PROCESS.** The highly durable, glass-smooth paint finish of the TL is the product of a painstaking, 33-step, 2-coat, 1-bake, clear-coat process. The lower sections of the TL body are protected by a color-matched film that resists chipping and abrasion far better than any paint.



TAFFETA WHITE



DARK EMERALD PEARL



HEATHER MIST METALLIC



FIREPEPPER RED PEARL



MONTEREY BLUE PEARL



LAGUNA GREEN METALLIC



SATIN SILVER METALLIC



FLAMENCO BLACK PEARL



WHITE DIAMOND PEARL



PARCHMENT LEATHER\*



FERN LEATHER\*



EBONY LEATHER\*

*\*Simulated leather swatches shown.*



HOW DO YOU MAKE  
YOUR TL UNIQUELY  
YOUR OWN? GENUINE  
ACURA ACCESSORIES.



#### CARPETED FLOOR MATS

*Don't settle for less than the best; protect and enhance the interior of your Acura TL with Genuine Acura carpeted floor mats and trunk mat.*

#### ACURA-TESTED ACCESSORIES

##### ENHANCE AND PROTECT YOUR

##### NEW ACURA TL.

From the dramatic profile of the 4-piece Acura TL Under-Body Spoiler to the added protection of carpeted floor mats, a nose mask and ski sleeve, Acura Accessories are designed and built to meet rigid Acura standards for performance and durability.

#### ACURA TL ACCESSORIES

- ▶ CD changer
- ▶ Full nose mask
- ▶ Floor mats
- ▶ Trunk tray
- ▶ Moonroof visor
- ▶ Splash guards
- ▶ 16-inch mesh style chrome-finished alloy wheels
- ▶ Fenderwell trim
- ▶ Rear wing spoiler
- ▶ Car cover
- ▶ Gold emblem kit
- ▶ Wood shift knob
- ▶ Under-Body Spoiler

*The Acura TL shown with Gold Emblem Kit, Under-Body Spoiler and Rear Wing Spoiler, in Dark Emerald Pearl.*



THE RACE-INSPIRED LINES OF THE TL ARE DRAMATICALLY ENHANCED WITH THE ACURA TL **UNDER-BODY SPOILER**. CONSISTING OF A NEW, COLOR-MATCHED, FRONT CHIN SPOILER; SIDE PANELS; AND REAR VALANCE, THE KIT GIVES THE TL AN AGGRESSIVE, HIGH-PERFORMANCE PROFILE UNLIKE THAT OF ANYTHING ELSE ON THE ROAD. ADD THE **WALNUT SHIFT KNOB, REAR WING SPOILER** AND **16-INCH CHROME WHEELS** AND YOUR TL WILL TURN HEADS ALL THE WAY FROM LAGUNA SECA TO LONG ISLAND.



## SPECIFICATIONS

### FOR THE SERIOUS INVESTOR: A WEALTH OF

**VALUABLE INSIDE INFORMATION.** In keeping with its status as a premier performance luxury sedan, the TL is equipped with some of the most advanced technology ever incorporated in a luxury automobile.

### ENGINEERING

**POWERTRAIN** – Transverse front engine/front-wheel drive

**COMPRESSION RATIO** – 9.8:1

**VALVETRAIN** – 4 valves-per-cylinder, belt-driven, single-overhead camshaft with Variable Valve Timing and Lift Electronic Control (VTEC) system

**ENGINE BLOCK** – Aluminum alloy with cast-iron cylinder liners

**CYLINDER HEAD** – Aluminum alloy

**EMISSION CONTROL** – 3-way catalytic converter

**BATTERY** – 12V, maintenance-free

**100,000-MILE TUNE-UP INTERVAL** – No tune-ups for 100,000 miles\*

**ENGINE TYPE** – 3.2-liter, 24-valve, SOHC V-6

**HORSEPOWER, SAE NET** – 225 hp @ 5500 rpm

**TORQUE, SAE NET** – 216 lbs-ft @ 5000 rpm

**REDLINE** – 6300 rpm

**BORE & STROKE** – 3.50 in x 3.39 in (89 mm x 86 mm)

**DISPLACEMENT** – 197 cu in (3210 cc)

**INDUCTION SYSTEM** – Programmed Fuel Injection (PGM-FI) with 60 mm throttle bore and heated air system

**IGNITION SYSTEM** – Electronic direct ignition with knock sensor

\*See dealer for warranty details.

### BODY/SUSPENSION/CHASSIS

**BODY TYPE** – All-steel unit body

**FRONT SUSPENSION** – Independent double-wishbone with coil springs and stabilizer bar

**REAR SUSPENSION** – Independent multilink double-wishbone with coil springs and stabilizer bar

**SHOCK ABSORBERS** – Gas-pressurized with Acura Progressive Valve technology, front and rear



**STEERING TYPE** – Speed-sensitive, variable power-assisted, rack-and-pinion

**BRAKING SYSTEM** – Dual-diagonal, power-assisted, 4-wheel disc brakes  
*Front Discs* – Ventilated, 11.8-in (300-mm) diameter, 28-mm rotor thickness  
*Rear Discs* – 10.2-in (262-mm) diameter, 9-mm rotor thickness

**PARKING BRAKE** – Drum-in-disc type, mechanically actuated on rear wheels

**ANTI-LOCK BRAKING SYSTEM (ABS)** – Acura-designed system with 4 wheel-speed sensors and electronic/hydraulic control unit

**STABILIZER BARS** – Tubular  
*Front* – 27.2-mm (1.07-in) diameter x 4.5-mm (0.18-in) wall thickness  
*Rear* – 18.0-mm (0.71-in) diameter solid

**STEERING WHEEL TURNS, LOCK-TO-LOCK** – 3.11

**TURNING CIRCLE, CURB-TO-CURB** – 36.8 ft.

**WHEELS** – Cast-aluminum alloy, 6.5 JJ x 16

**TIRES** – All-Season 205/60 R16 91V M+S

### TRANSMISSION

4-speed automatic transmission with Grade Logic Control and lockup torque converter

*Ratios (1:1)*

1st	2.534
2nd	1.502
3rd	0.947
4th	0.608
Reverse	1.846
Final Drive	4.200

### SAFETY FEATURES

- ▶ 3-point adjustable-height seat belts (front)
- ▶ 3-point seat belts (rear)
- ▶ 4-wheel Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS)
- ▶ Traction Control System (TCS)
- ▶ High-intensity discharge (HID) headlights
- ▶ Impact-absorption crumple zones (front/rear)
- ▶ Dual front side-impact door beams
- ▶ 5-mph bumpers (front/rear)
- ▶ Sunvisors with side extensions
- ▶ Automatic day/night rearview mirror
- ▶ Nonprotruding switches and controls
- ▶ Collapsible steering column
- ▶ Impact-absorbing interior surfaces
- ▶ Automatic transmission interlock feature
- ▶ All-Season steel-belted radial tires
- ▶ Driver's and front passenger's air bag Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)
- ▶ Center high-mount brakelight
- ▶ All-around visibility: 289.3°
- ▶ Rear window defroster
- ▶ Front side-window defoggers
- ▶ Tinted upper windshield
- ▶ Childproof rear door locks
- ▶ Rear seat headrests
- ▶ Safety glass
- ▶ Windshield and front side-window defoggers



- ▶ Breakaway inside rearview mirror
- ▶ Heated door mirrors



## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

- ▶ Power-operated moonroof with tilt feature and sliding shade
- ▶ Acura/Bose® Music System with five speakers, AM/FM stereo/cassette, in-dash CD player, Dolby Noise Reduction® (DNR) and anti-theft feature
- ▶ Steering wheel-mounted audio controls
- ▶ Lighted trunk, ashtray, lower console, driver's door switches, ignition switch and glove box
- ▶ Keyless entry system
- ▶ Automatic Climate Control System
- ▶ Power windows and door locks
- ▶ Driver window one-touch down
- ▶ Auto-off headlights
- ▶ Front door storage
- ▶ Cruise control
- ▶ Theft-deterrent system
- ▶ HomeLink® System
- ▶ Tilt steering column
- ▶ Front window defoggers
- ▶ Sunglasses holder
- ▶ Dual overhead map lights
- ▶ Remote trunk/fuel-filler-door releases
- ▶ Speed-sensitive windshield wipers
- ▶ Dual illuminated vanity mirrors
- ▶ Dual beverage holders/front and rear
- ▶ Digital quartz clock
- ▶ Outside temperature gauge
- ▶ Cargo net
- ▶ Dual 12V power ports



## SEATING & TRIM

- ▶ Leather-trimmed seats and door panels
- ▶ Driver's 8-way power seat with adjustable lumbar support
- ▶ Leather-wrapped steering wheel
- ▶ Simulated wood-grained console and door trim
- ▶ Front passenger's 4-way power seat
- ▶ Heated front seats
- ▶ Adjustable front seat headrests
- ▶ Rear seat headrests
- ▶ Rear seat center armrest with locking trunk pass-through and dual beverage holders
- ▶ Front center console with adjustable armrest
- ▶ Driver's and passenger's seatback pockets

## EXTERIOR FEATURES

- ▶ High-intensity discharge (HID) headlights
- ▶ Heat-rejecting, solar green-tinted glass
- ▶ Protective body-colored side moldings
- ▶ Rear window defroster with timer
- ▶ Galvanized body panels
- ▶ 2-coat, 1-bake paint process
- ▶ Body-colored front and rear bumpers
- ▶ Radio antenna printed in rear glass
- ▶ Dual-outlet exhaust
- ▶ Machine-finished alloy wheels
- ▶ Heated, body-colored, power-operated, dual outside mirrors

## FUEL ECONOMY

RECOMMENDED FUEL – Premium unleaded; 91 octane\*

EPA-ESTIMATED FUEL MILEAGE, CITY/HIGHWAY† – 19/27

\* Gasoline with an octane number lower than 91 may be used, with reduced performance.  
† Use for comparison purposes only. California figures are the same. Your mileage may vary. Factory estimates, EPA figures not available at time of printing.

The Acura TL shown with accessory Gold Emblem kit, in Monterey Blue Pearl.

## EXTERIOR DIMENSIONS

Wheelbase	108.1 in (2745 mm)
Track, front	61.2 in (1555 mm)
Track, rear	60.4 in (1535 mm)
Length	192.9 in (4900 mm)
Width	70.3 in (1785 mm)
Height	56.1 in (1425 mm)
Minimum Ground Clearance	5.9 in (150 mm)
Curb Weight (w/Navigational System)	3472 lbs (1575 kg)
Weight Distribution, % front/rear	62/38

## INTERIOR DIMENSIONS

	FRONT	REAR
Head room	39.9 in (1013 mm)	36.8 in (935 mm)
Leg room	42.4 in (1077 mm)	35.0 in (889 mm)
Hip room	56.0 in (1422 mm)	55.0 in (1397 mm)
Shoulder room	56.2 in (1427 mm)	55.7 in (1415 mm)

## WARRANTIES

VEHICLE – 4-year/50,000-mile limited warranty\*

OUTER BODY RUSTTHROUGH – 5-year/unlimited-mile limited warranty

ACCESSORIES – 4-year/50,000-mile limited warranty†

3.2-LITER, V-6 ENGINE – No scheduled tune-ups required for 100,000 miles

Ordinary maintenance items or adjustments, parts subject to normal wear and replacement, and certain other items are excluded. See your Acura dealer for the terms and conditions of limited warranties.

\* See dealer for warranty details. † When installed at the time of new-vehicle delivery.

## CAPACITIES

EPA PASSENGER VOLUME – 96.5 cu ft

EPA CARGO VOLUME – 14.3 cu ft

FUEL TANK – 17.2 U.S. gallons (65.0 liters)

CRANKCASE REFILL CAPACITY, INCLUDING FILTER – 5.0 U.S. quarts (4.7 liters)

COOLING SYSTEM – 7.9 U.S. quarts (7.5 liters)









ACURA TL shown in Flamenco Black Pearl.









ACURA TL shown in Taffeta White.



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