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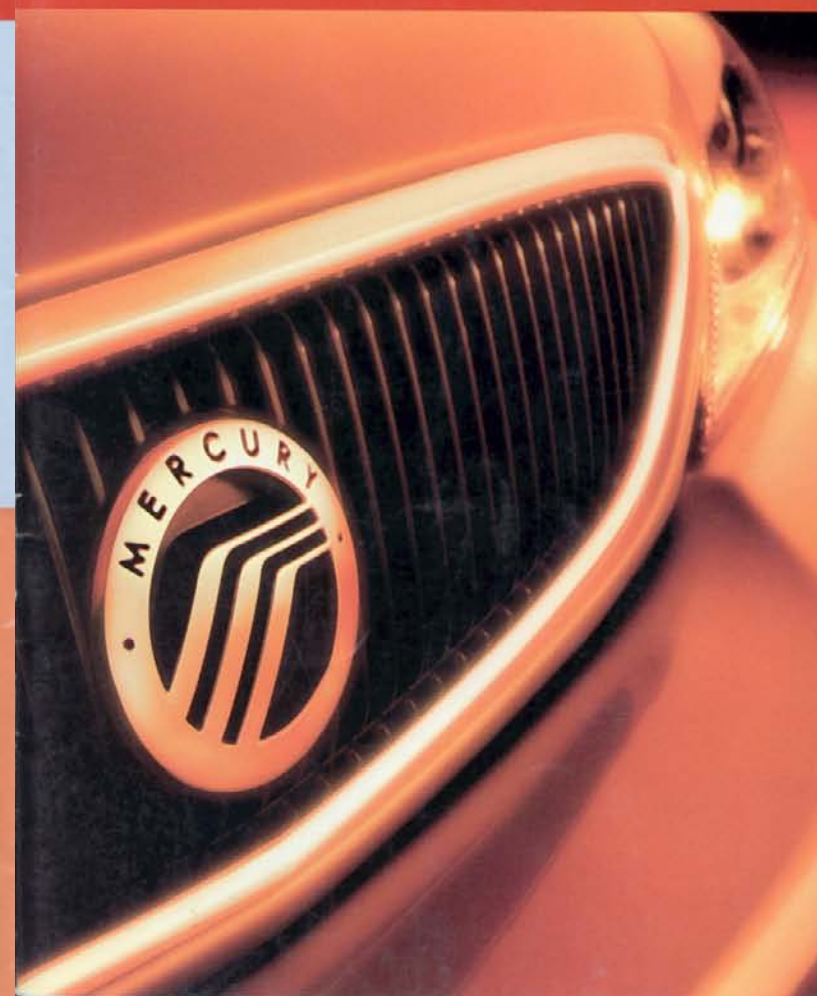


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# finesse

Style meets technology. And as in any good partnership, harmony and balance is evident at every turn. The 2000 Sable blends applied science with shapes, colors and textures to create a most appealing and comfortable environment. Sable's civilized exterior belies its remarkable technological advances — all of which are invoked to make the driving experience what it should be: stimulating, satisfying and secure. Mercury's concerns for comfort, performance, safety and security are fittingly melded into a stylish and functional integration of innovative engineering and thoughtful design.







## muscle

Sable's powertrains are anchored either by the racing-inspired, 200hp all-aluminum Duratec V6 engine or by the standard Vulcan V6, upgraded to yield more horsepower, increased torque and improved acceleration. Both engines benefit from new automatic transmission technology that actually *learns* driving habits, adapts to them and self-adjusts to mechanical wear in order to maintain original design parameters. Shift protocol is better matched to engine output and driving conditions, and shift duration has been shortened for a more precise feel as well as greater durability.



## sophistication

Sable's dozens of new details for 2000 are presented in a refined, elegantly crafted body. The front end and the rear deck lines are simplified, resulting in a crisper, more linear appearance; the grill is enlarged for more attitude as well as better airflow. Sable's precisely sculpted steel skin is the perfect veneer for a mature and substantial styling package. Its trim, tailored and cultivated profile rests confidently on sixteen-inch wheels. There are even three new exterior colors to choose from. In all, a most appealing and attractive makeover.





## balance

All 2000 Sable models can be optionally equipped with a four-wheel Anti-lock Brake System (ABS). Under many different adverse driving conditions, ABS is designed to automate the process of brake pumping, minimizing the chances for wheels to lock up and cause a loss of control. Response time for ABS is less than one-tenth of a second and requires no driver input other than normal, steady brake application.

Sable's available anti-lock brakes are augmented by Electronic Brake Force Distribution (EBD). When equipped with ABS and EBD, braking effort is automatically and constantly optimized between front and rear. The system's functionality is maintained regardless of brake pad friction levels or other mechanical variances.

## technology

Sable has been engineered to provide its driver and passengers with an uncommon level of convenience and comfort. Many of the refinements for 2000 are tucked away *under the hood* and contribute to Sable's excellent performance characteristics. Others, such as seat position and impact sensors, safety belt improvements and dual stage airbag inflators, are designed to instill a sense of well-being and security. Ride quality is made more luxurious by revised suspension component mounts, softer shock absorber and strut tuning and lower spring rates. All that and more is what elevates Sable beyond mere transportation to a First-Class ride.

## agility

All-Speed Traction Control, optional for both LS Wagon and Sedan, makes use of the ABS sensors to detect and control wheel spin. In less than one tenth of a second, the system responds by reducing fuel flow, limiting ignition spark and invoking controlled braking. Another example of Mercury's technology applied to enhance security and driving confidence.



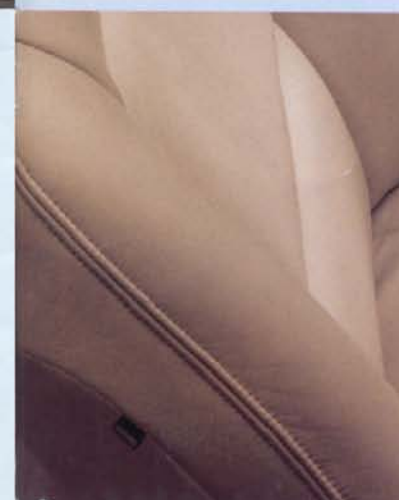
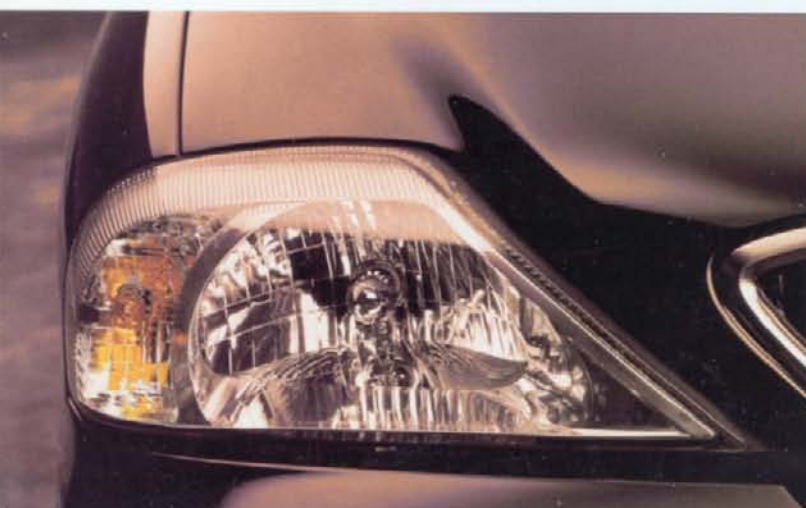
## safety

New standard safety initiatives for 2000 Sable include sensing devices to monitor driver position. Safety cell passenger compartment construction, crumple zones, side-impact door beams, use of energy absorbing materials throughout the cabin and available side-impact head/chest airbags\* all illustrate Mercury's continuing commitment to occupant safety.

\*Always wear your safety belt and secure children in the rear seat.

## style

Sable's handsome, linear front end is punctuated by new, complex reflector headlamps, housed in a wrap-around assembly. Both high and low beam bulbs are rated for longer life — up to twice as long — and provide significantly greater output with more precise cut off patterns. Dusk and night road illumination is greatly improved, contributing to enhanced safety and security.



The Personal Safety System™ for Sable includes front impact and driver seat position sensors, designed to provide a modulated and appropriate rate of front airbag deployment. The resulting dual stage airbags are standard in all 2000 Sable models.



The flip-fold console, standard with six-passenger seating in GS models, converts from seating surface to full-service center armrest and console in seconds. It features storage and cup holders for front occupants.





Sable LS Premium Sedan with Light Parchment interior. Shown with optional equipment.





## integration

The new instrument control panel is a perfect example of logical engineering and intelligent use of space. The layout of controls and selectors is user-friendly and sensible, making excellent use of valuable real estate. The control panel's auto power feature allows tapping the AM, FM, CD or tape button to activate the selected function, even when the radio is not ON.



Sable Sedans and Wagons, whether equipped for five- or six-passenger seating, feature amenities such as front and rear cup holders as well as an auxiliary 12-volt power point.



Power-adjustable pedals make driving more comfortable for drivers of different stature. Standard on LS models\*, this unique feature allows brake and accelerator pedals to travel up to three inches to optimize the driver's position relative to the steering wheel.



\*Late availability.

Safety and security have always played an important role in Sable's development. Sable Sedans now include an emergency inside trunk lock release. A very simple hand action will prevent a child from remaining accidentally locked in the trunk.



All Sables are supplied with two key fobs that will lock and unlock the drivers door or all doors — as well as the trunk — from about thirty feet away. The panic button, when pressed, attracts attention by activating the horn and flasher lights.



Sable LS Premium includes a five-button, user-coded keypad in the driver's door. The keypad can be used to unlock all doors and the trunk. It also helps to prevent unauthorized entry and arms the vehicle's perimeter Anti-Theft System.



## specifications

| ENGINES                    |                             | V6 OHV VULCAN 12-VALVE   |            | V6 DOHC DURATEC 24-VALVE                  |            |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------|---|------------|
|                            |                             | 3.0 liter  |            | 3.0 liter                                 |            |
|                            | Displacement                | 3.0 liter  |            | 3.0 liter                                 |            |
|                            | Horsepower (SAE net)        | 155 @ 4900 rpm   |            | 200 @ 5650 rpm                            |            |
|                            | Torque (SAE net)            | 185 lb-ft @ 3950 rpm   |            | 200 lb-ft @ 4400 rpm                      |            |
|                            | Fuel delivery               | Returnless with high-pressure fuel pump  |            | Returnless with high-pressure fuel pump   |            |
|                            | Fuel injection              | Sequential multi-port electronic   |            | Sequential multi-port electronic          |            |
|                            | Compression ratio           | 9.28:1   |            | 10.0:1                                    |            |
|                            | Engine control              | EEC-V Electronic Engine Control  |            | EEC-V Electronic Engine Control           |            |
|                            | Scheduled tune-up interval  | 100,000 miles <sup>1</sup>   |            | 100,000 miles <sup>1</sup>                |            |
|                            |                             | <b>SEDAN</b>   |            | <b>WAGON</b>                              |            |
| <b>TRANSAXLE</b>           |                             | Electronic 4-speed automatic with overdrive and adaptive shift control                       |            |   |            |
| <b>BRAKES</b>              |                             | Front: 10.9-inch vented disc   |            | Front: 10.9-inch vented disc              |            |
|                            |                             | Rear: 8.9-inch drum  |            | Rear: 10.1-inch disc                      |            |
| <b>STEERING</b>            |                             | Power rack-and-pinion  |            |   |            |
| <b>SUSPENSION</b>          | Front                       | Fully independent, MacPherson with gas-pressurized hydraulic struts and stabilizer bar       |            |   |            |
|                            | Rear                        | Fully independent Quadralink system with gas-pressurized hydraulic struts and stabilizer bar |            |   |            |
| <b>CAPACITIES</b>          | Fuel tank                   | 16.0 gal   |            | 16.0 gal                                  |            |
|                            | Cargo capacity              | 16.0 cu ft   |            | 38.4 cu ft/81.3 cu ft (rear seat up/down) |            |
|                            | Curb weight                 | 3379 lb Vulcan/3325 lb Duratec   |            | 3544 lb Vulcan/3473 lb Duratec            |            |
| <b>DIMENSIONS (INCHES)</b> | Headroom (without moonroof) | Front: 39.8  | Rear: 36.7 | Front: 39.3                               | Rear: 38.7 |
|                            | Legroom                     | Front: 42.2  | Rear: 38.9 | Front: 42.2                               | Rear: 38.5 |
|                            | Shoulder room               | Front: 57.4  | Rear: 56.7 | Front: 57.4                               | Rear: 56.7 |
|                            | Hiproom                     | Front: 54.6  | Rear: 55.2 | Front: 54.6                               | Rear: 55.2 |
|                            | Length                      | 199.8  |            | 197.8                                     |            |
|                            | Track                       | Front: 61.6  | Rear: 62.1 | Front: 61.6                               | Rear: 61.8 |
|                            | Width                       | 73.0 (overall excluding mirrors)   |            | 73.0 (overall excluding mirrors)          |            |
|                            | Height                      | 57.6   |            | 59.8                                      |            |
|                            | Wheelbase                   | 108.5  |            | 108.5                                     |            |

## equipment

### PERSONAL SAFETY SYSTEM

- Dual stage front airbags<sup>2</sup>
- Front impact severity sensors
- Front safety belt usage detectors
- Driver's seat position sensors
- Front safety belt pretensioners
- Energy management belt retractors
- Energy-absorbing trim material

### PREMIUM FEATURES

- The following items are standard equipment for LS Premium sedan and wagon models:
- Fog lamps
  - 200 hp DOHC Duratec engine
  - Power-adjustable pedals
  - Automatic on/delay off headlamps
  - Keyless Entry keypad (driver's door)
  - Electronic Automatic Temperature Control
  - Perimeter Anti-Theft System
  - 16-inch machined aluminum wheels
  - Leather seating surfaces with front buckets and rear center armrest

## features

### FUNCTIONAL FEATURES

|   | GS SEDAN | LS SEDAN | LS PREMIUM SEDAN | GS WAGON | LS PREMIUM WAGON |
|---|----------|----------|------------------|----------|------------------|
| Personal Safety System™   | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| SecuriLock™ passive anti-theft system   | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Dual stage driver/front passenger airbags <sup>2</sup>                              | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Emergency inside trunk release  | std      | std      | std              | —        | —                |
| Rear door child-safety locks  | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Height-adjustable 3-point safety belts  |          |          |                  |          |                  |
| for outboard front occupants  | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| 3-point safety belt for rear outboard seat occupants                                | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Integrated rear child-safety seat tether anchors                                    | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Side-impact head/chest airbags <sup>2</sup>   | opt      | opt      | opt              | opt      | opt              |
| Locking head restraints (front seats)   | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| High-strength side-impact door beams  | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| 3.0L 24-valve Duratec V6 engine with coil-on-plug ignition                          | —        | opt      | std              | —        | std              |
| 3.0L 12-valve Vulcan V6 engine  | std      | std      | —                | std      | —                |
| 4-speed electronic automatic transaxle with overdrive                               | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| 4-wheel Anti-lock Brake System (ABS) with Electronic Brake Force Distribution (EBD) | opt      | opt      | opt              | opt      | opt              |
| All-Speed Traction Control (requires ABS)   | —        | opt      | opt              | —        | opt              |
| Power-adjustable brake/accelerator pedals   | opt      | std      | std              | opt      | std              |
| 100,000-mile scheduled tune-up intervals <sup>1</sup>                               | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| <b>EXTERIOR FEATURES</b>  |          |          |                  |          |                  |
| Dual power exterior mirrors   | std      | —        | —                | std      | —                |
| Heated, dual power exterior mirrors   | —        | std      | std              | —        | std              |
| Complex-reflector clear-lens headlamps with integrated outboard turn signals        | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Fog lamps   | —        | —        | std              | —        | std              |
| Automatic on/delay off headlamps  | —        | —        | std              | —        | std              |
| Remote Keyless Entry system with two key fobs                                       | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Driver's side door programmable keypad  | —        | —        | std              | —        | std              |
| <b>WHEELS AND TIRES</b>   |          |          |                  |          |                  |
| P215/60R16 black sidewall all-season tires  | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| 16-inch 5-bolt deluxe bolt-on wheel cover   | std      | —        | —                | std      | —                |
| 16-inch seven-spoke machined aluminum wheel   | opt      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| 16-inch five-spoke Chrometec wheel  | —        | opt      | opt              | —        | opt              |

std = Standard Feature opt = Optional Feature — = Not Available

<sup>1</sup>Under normal driving conditions with routine fluid and filter changes. <sup>2</sup>Always wear your safety belt and secure children in the rear seat. <sup>3</sup>Requires head/chest side airbags and leather seating surfaces.

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### INTERIOR COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE FEATURES

|   | GS SEDAN | LS SEDAN | LS PREMIUM SEDAN | GS WAGON | LS PREMIUM WAGON |
|---|----------|----------|------------------|----------|------------------|
| CFC-free air conditioning   | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Electronic Automatic Temperature Control  | —        | —        | std              | —        | std              |
| 60/40 split-fold rear seatback  | —        | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Integrated control panel with climate, audio, rear window defroster, digital clock controls and auto power feature                | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Illuminated power controls: door locks, windows with express-down and accessory delay   | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Power moonroof with one-touch-open feature  | —        | opt      | opt              | —        | opt              |
| Dual illuminated visor mirrors  | —        | —        | std              | —        | std              |
| Bucket seats, cloth   | std      | —        | opt              | std      | opt              |
| Bucket seats, cloth with leather  | —        | std      | —                | —        | —                |
| Bucket seats, leather seating surfaces  | —        | —        | std              | —        | std              |
| 6-way power driver's seat with power lumbar adjustment  | opt      | std      | std              | opt      | std              |
| 6-way power passenger seat <sup>3</sup>   | —        | —        | opt              | —        | opt              |
| 5-passenger seating with dual recliners, rear seat air conditioning ducts, front and rear armrests, and floor console and shifter | opt      | std      | std              | —        | std              |
| 6-passenger seating with dual recliners, flip-fold front center console, 2-way head restraints                                    | std      | —        | opt              | std      | opt              |
| Dual front and rear cup holders   | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Leather-wrapped steering wheel  | —        | std      | std              | —        | std              |
| Courtesy lights, dual beam lamp and dome lamp with delay off  | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Auxiliary 12-volt power point   | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| <b>INSTRUMENTATION</b>  |          |          |                  |          |                  |
| Analog instrument cluster with speedometer, tachometer, trip odometer, coolant temperature and fuel gauges                        | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| <b>AUDIO</b>  |          |          |                  |          |                  |
| AM/FM stereo/cassette with four speakers  | std      | std      | std              | std      | std              |
| Fixed antenna, driver side rear mounted   | std      | std      | std              | —        | —                |
| Power antenna, driver side rear mounted   | —        | —        | —                | std      | std              |
| Audio Group: MACH® Audio System with AM/FM stereo/cassette and 6 speakers with radio-controlled 6-disc CD changer                 | —        | opt      | opt              | —        | opt              |

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- A 16-inch deluxe bolt-on wheel cover
- B 16-inch seven-spoke machined aluminum
- C 16-inch Chrometec wheel



Shown on the Wagon's standard luggage rack, an accessory bike carrier adapter is one of many dealer-supplied accessories available for the 2000 Sable.