

1923 Ford French Depot Hack

Manufacturing Information

Manufactured By	Ford Motor Company
Assembled At	Ford Highland Park Plant in Highland Park, Michigan (or a branch assembly plant)
Model Production	52,317 (Running Chassis only)
Annual Production	2,090,959 (all vehicles by Ford in 1923)
Body	Depot Hack (made in France)
Horsepower	20
Weight	1,620 pounds/735 kilograms
1923 Cost	w/body unknown, \$330 running chassis (USE
Price Change	Chassis price decrease of \$60 from 1922

Innovations

All cars have ignition switch with an added ignition light switch.

This is an early 1923 chassis with a lower radiator (Ford switched to a new 5/8"-higher radiator in June 1923).



An Amazing Vehicle..... The running chassis for this vehicle was made in the United States and shipped to France. The wood body and canvas top were made in Levallois-Peret, France. The vehicle was assembled in Bordeaux, France, and served its duty at the Chateau de Missery near Côte d'Or, France. At first pass, this vehicle looks like one of many alternative bodies that were made for the Model T chassis in the USA and abroad. We know that many people removed the traditional Model T body and replaced it with an alternative body. We also know as early as 1910 that Ford Motor was selling a running chassis to buyers who wanted to provide their own alternative body on their new Model T.



.....With an Incredible Story!

This vehicle originally resided at the Chateau de Missery for nearly 50 years. The Chateau is surrounded by broad moats and appointed with four Medieval towers. It was very surprising that the Germans, who occupied the Chateau during WWII, did not take or destroy the vehicle.

Wray-Todd Family

This vehicle was donated to Piquette by the Wray-Todd Family from Austin, Texas. It was originally purchased in France by Martin Hawley McLanahan in 1923. In the mid-70s, Anderson Todd purchased the vehicle for use on the family ranch in Texas.



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