

1911 Cadillac Model 30 Touring



Manufacturing Information

Manufactured By Cadillac Automobile Company

Assembled At Detroit, Michigan

Model Production Unknown (this model only in 1911)

Annual Production 10,019 (all vehicles this manufacturer in 1911)

Body Four-Door

Horsepower 30-40

Weight 3,296 pounds/1,495 kilograms

1911 Cost \$1,700 (USD)

Innovations

Hand-buffed leather upholstery

Delco ignition

Last year for gas headlamps and oil lamps

New body style this year (Four-Door)

A True Luxury Car

Arriving in Detroit in 1890, Henry M. Leland set up his Leland & Faulconer Machine Shop and introduced Detroit to precision manufacturing. In 1902, after building engines for the popular Curved Dash Oldsmobile, Leland turned his attention to reviving Henry Ford's second failed venture, The Henry Ford Company, located four blocks west at Cass and Amsterdam. Renaming the venture Cadillac (for Detroit's founder) he decided to use a highly reliable one-cylinder engine. These one-cylinder cars were very popular and were produced until 1908. By 1905, Cadillac offered expensive, high-quality, four-cylinder cars and became known as one of America's finest prestige motor cars. This 1911 model sold for \$1,700 (compared to the Ford at \$850 and the Maxwell at \$600).

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