



# 1909 Ford Model T Touring



## Manufacturing Information

Manufactured By	Ford Motor Company
Assembled At	Piquette Avenue Plant, Detroit, Michigan
Model Production	7, 728 (this model only in 1909)
Annual Production	10,660 (all vehicles this manufacturer in 1909)
Body	Touring
Horsepower	22
Weight	1,200 pounds/544 kilograms
1909 Cost	\$850 (USD)

## Innovations

Later 1909 with three pedals and one lever  
Use of lighter and stronger vanadium steel  
Separate engine block and engine head  
Flywheel magneto ignition system  
Three-point suspension for rough terrain  
Two-speed planetary transmission

## Meet “Elizabeth”

"I will build a car for the great multitudes," Ford declared in 1907. It might look old-fashioned now, but in 1908 the Model T was revolutionary. Inexpensive, lightweight, durable, and easy to drive and repair, it was a great value for ordinary families.

The Model T featured the use of vanadium steel for key parts which resulted in a lighter and more durable vehicle, a new engine with a removable cylinder head to simplify the manufacturing and repair process, a new planetary transmission which was easy to use, and a flywheel magneto which eliminated the need for a large battery, further reducing weight and cost.

The Model T changed not only what we drove then, but how we live today. We affectionately call this Model T “Elizabeth.”

## John Forster

Donated by John Forster, Royal Oak, Michigan. John has many cars on loan to Piquette. He is also a very active member of the Piquette T's – a Model T club hosted at this museum.



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