INFORMATION, KIT DETAILS AND ORDER FORMS FOR THE:

ROBIN HOOD TRADITIONAL

AND THE

ROBIN HOOD NEW SERIES III



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This is the amended 1998 literature with details of the only two kits now available.

1. THE TRADITIONAL

This is our budget kit, those of you who are familiar with Robin Hood Engineering's products, will recognise the 'Traditional' as being a mixture of the 'PAB' Part Assembled Body kit and the Exmo. Both terrific sellers on their own and now the 'Traditional' is a combination of the best of the two.

The Traditional uses the Ford Sierras rear suspension set up and no longer has nerf panels. The use of in-board front shock absorbers and rocker arm suspension incorporating the donors subframe will continue. The rear of the body has been reinforced to accept the rear harnesses in order to comply with the difficult height measurement required for the SVA test. Again all the SVA essentials are included in this kit as is our new performance manifold and latest silencer.

2. NEW SERIES III

The Single Vehicle Approval (SVA) has played a big part in dictating the new specification of the New Series III but the kit content is bigger and better than ever, with wheels, tyres, plug leads, mirrors, redesigned dashboard, etc. now included, together with improvements to the body to give the 503mm seat bett mounting. You will notice a brand new front suspension with triangulated wishbones, exterior springs and shock absorbers. There is a slight increase in the price but it is still well ahead in value of anything else and of course it is stainless steel.

THE SVA TEST

As most of you may know, the Single Vehicle Approval test is to replace the MOT test for kit cars. It has already been postponed three times. There are still some unclear areas, but we are prepared regardless of what the final outcome may be, to offer every purchaser of one of the above kits, a full assurance and guarantee that what they have bought is capable of passing the SVA test. You will see that both of our kits have seat harnesses, mirrors, plug leads, lights, etc. All correctly marked in accordance with the regulations. You will note that the "Traditional" kit does not have a windscreen, this obviously keeps the cost down and so one is not required for the test (or demisters and wipers) it makes the test easier. Of course, you may buy one from us and fit it at a later date together with a host of accessories. In addition, all bodies sold are guaranteed for six years against corrosion perforation or structural failure. Quite a guarantee for the cheaoest kit ear in the world!

For many the finishing off of their car will take place after the SVA test has been passed, when they can exercise their individualism by adding the extras and modifications they require.

TEST DRIVES

The only way to find out if a Robin Hood handles is to drive one yourself. Do not take anybody's word for it, drive before you buy! Very soon, every Saturday we will be letting you drive a Robin Hood around Mansfield Woodhouse. Just bring proof of your insurance for driving and form your own opinion, if you prefer we can drive you.

ROBIN HOOD 'TRADITIONAL' KIT CONTENTS

One mild steel body/chassis unit welded together but requiring additional bolting to complete. To suit Ford Pinto 1600cc, 1800cc or 2000cc Ford Sierra donor vehicle with early front subframe.

Body panels and parts

Set of British racing Green GRP -

2 front cycle wings, 2 rear wings and nose cone. Set of wing brackets

Bonnet

Pair of engine mountings panels and engine mounts

Two tunnel sides

Tunnel top

Steering support bar

Stainless steel pedal box top and two sides

Servo mounting panel

Gearbox support panel

Three nose cone infill panels

Nose cone grille

SVA front bumper bar

Interior trim

Pair of seats, standard colour

Seat support bar

Carpet

Pair of seat harnesses

Snap on edge finishing strip Tin of glue

Fuel system

Stainless steel fuel tank

Fuel cap

Fuel pipe

Fuel tank gaskets

Exhaust system

Stainless steel, low noise silencer

Stainless tube, balanced, true 4 into 1 performance

Lights

Pair of headlight units

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Pair of chrome headlight cases

Pair of front flasher lamps and bases

Lights Continued/...

Pair of front wing repeaters

Pair of rear combination lamps

Pair of reversing lamps

Pair of fog lamps

Number plate lamp

Steering and suspension

Two front cross member sections

Pair of front wishbones

Pair of top ball joints and lock nuts

Pair of front coil over shock absorbers Pair of dummy Macpherson struts

Pair of wishbone spindles

Shock absorber spanner

Steering shaft and bush kit

Compliance bush kit

Miscellaneous

Propshaft

Radiator

Rear wing stone guards and beading

Set of metal brake pipes

Two front flexi brake pipes

Pair of mirrors

Set of four bonnet catches and covers

Set of plug leads

Bonnet edge strip

Pair of gloves

Nose cone fixing brackets

Rear number plate bracket

Pair of seat harness fixing plates

Tube of silicone sealer

General fastener pack

Drill bits

Build manual

TOTAL COST OF THE TRADITIONAL KIT IS £1195 + VAT

ANOTHER AFFORDABLE, INNOVATIVE KIT FROM ROBIN HOOD ENGINEERING

The New Series III

The cost of developing the RHM200 was great both in time and money. From this development the Metro based budget car was spawned and the New Series III inherited the RHM200's improved front suspension. The New Series III front suspension now with real wishbones and exterior coil overs is truly independent. A new roll over bar design incorporates the rear suspension mountings. The hooded dashboard has gone and an easy to read, clean, crisp, slightly modern instrument cluster with rev counter and 150mph speedometer replaces it. There is still room to add supplementary instruments if you wish. A new easy fit wiring loom is included in the kit content. A super strong seat belt fixing tube is incorporated in the 2" roll over bar. The last and probably most important change to the specification being a set of four expensive alloy wheels and quality Avon tyres are included. The price has increased but when you look at the list of components supplied it is still remarkable value.

FULL KIT CONTENT OF THE NEW SERIES III KIT

The Series IIIA Stainless Steel Body/Chassis unit is made from 1mm mirror like stainless steel with all the structural sections made from thicker stainless steel. It is a complete monocoque unit and does not require any additional welding, bolting together or main panels fitting to it. It does not require painting. Included with this kit are also....

SELF COLOURED GRP COMPONENTS

Pair of front cycle wings Pair of rear wings One nose cone

BODY PANELS

One stainless steel bonnet with louvres
Stainless steel pedal box cover
One servo mounting panel
New design roll over bar (already fitted to the body)
Crumple zone front bumper bar
Instrument fixing ring and prespex

LIGHTING SET & ELECTRICAL

Two chrome head lamps
Two sealed beam units
Two front flasher lamps
Two wing flasher lamps
Two rear lights with tapered plinths
Two rear fog lamps
One number plate light
Two reversing lamps

Easy fit wiring loom and fuse box Twin Lucas air horns Column switches

WINDSCREEN ASSEMBLY

One aluminium windscreen frame Toughened glass windscreen Pair of windscreen pillars Wiper blade kit Windscreen rubber

FUEL SYSTEM

Stainless steel fuel tank
Tank gaskets, cork and rubber
Locking fuel filler cap
Fuel tank straps
Fuel pine

EXHAUST SYSTEM

One stainless steel, low noise, silencer Stainless tube, balanced, true 4 into 1, performance manifold

WHEELS AND TYRES

Set of four alloy wheels Set of four Avon tyres

INTERIOR TRIM AND WEATHER GEAR

Individual traditional style seats with raised thigh support

Superior, newly designed carpet set, pre-cut and bound sections, easy to fit, with contrasting binding Hood, frame, sidescreens and fittings, quality with welded windows, black,

11" Mountney leather rimmed steering wheel

Steering wheel boss

Pair of seat harnesses

Instrument cluster Dashboard covering material

Edge finishing strip

Side cockpit strip Large roll of vinyl tape One tin of glue

STEERING AND SUSPENSION COMPONENTS

Pair of front, top wishbones

Pair of lower, front wishbones

Already fitted to body/chassis unit Pair of front springs and shock absorbers

Dummy Macpherson struts (pair)

Steering shaft

Steering rack

Pair of rear springs and shock absorbers

Set of steering and suspension joints, bushes and track rod ends

Steering column support



MISCELLANEOUS

Universally jointed propshaft with grease nipples Set of six metal brake pipes and four flexi pipes

Pair of ventilated discs, XR4

Pair of calliners

Servo unit with master cylinder

Radiator

Washer reservoir and pump

Gearbox support panel

Set of four bonnet catches and covers

Set of front wing stays

Front indicator extensions

Clutch cable

Handbrake cable Speedo cable

Under dashboard fill in panels

One rear number plate bracket

Seat belt fixing plate

Pair of rear wing stone guards and beading

Seat angle

Set of ignition leads

MISCELLANEOUS CONTINUED/...

Pair of mirrors

Pair of nose cone infill panels

One nose cone grille One nose cone badge

Tube of silicone sealant and gun

Bonnet edge strips

Rear strengthening plates

Spare wheel threaded rod

Shock absorber spanner Two boot infill panels

Dummy rear wing piping

Rear suspension covers

Demister vents Rear body top angle

Drill bits

Safety gloves

General fastener pack

Build instruction, 8 hour video

TOTAL COST OF THE NEW SERIES III KIT £2950 + VAT

Order Form inside back page

Useful and General Information

Having read the previous pages, you will be familiar with the kits that we offer.

It may be that you have read about or received information from us about our new Metro based Robin Hood that was launched at the Bingley Hall Kit Car Show in March 1998 and our comprehensive Rover mid engined, 200bph super car package, the RHM200.

As explained in our literature at the time, only one budget kit would survive and surprisingly the masses have chosen the Sierra based 'Traditional' kit, with orders for this model far outnumbering orders for the mid engined Metro based package. So with that decision out of the way, we are now able to concentrate on the popular Sierra based kits and supply relatively quickly a tried and trusted kit package to all who require one. It is possible that the RHM1000 and the RHM200 may be relaunched next year but not yet definite.

The New Series III

The New Series III monocoque body/chassis unit is made from 1mm mirror like stainless steel with all the structural sections made from thicker stainless steel. It is a complete monocoque unit and does not require any additional welding, bolting together or main panels fitting to it. It does not require painting. Nearly all the holes and apertures have been pre-cut, these include provision for fitting a modified donor vehicles heating and demister system, handbrake and gear lever and pedals. Apertures are also pre-cut to assist fitment of the dashboard instruments, fuse box, petrol tank, exhaust, suspension, steering components, wipers, engine mountings and many more. Apertures are cut during manufacture of the body/chassis unit to ensure easy assembly. The strength of the monocoque body/chassis unit is obvious and offers far better accident protection than space frame type chassis. Obviously fire resistance compared to glass reinforced plastic cars if far superior.

The Traditional Kit

It was an instant decision to market the 'Traditional' again, we were inspired by YCH 154Y which many of you enthusiasts familiar with our company will recognise as our original, Sierra based demonstrator, the car that actually launched the Sierra range back in 1994 and also featured in our last brochure. On examination, it has stood up extremely well to the hundreds of test drives over the years and the general use by staff as a run around. The body is made from 1.5mm thick mild steel and painted to match the British racing green GRP. There is no fading to the GRP and no evidence of movement of the panels usually indicated by cracking in the paint where the body is bolted together. Although now a little tired, the standard 1600cc engine with the four speed gearbox still runs remarkably well despite its misuse. A cosmetic clean up is planned so you may drive this Robin Hood classic your self and form your own opinion.

In the budget 'Traditional' package the monocoque body/chassis unit is manufactured from mild steel so you will have to paint it. It can be supplied in mirror like stainless steel at extra cost if you require. It does not require welding. The monocoque body/chassis units have tremendous strength and excellent vibration absorption qualities making the ride smooth and comfortable more like an expensive production car than a kit car.

The 'Traditional' kit does require more builder participation than the New Series III but both are ideal teaching devices. So whether you are passing on your skills to your son or instructing a whole class of enthusiasts or budding engineers, study the kit content carefully as it will tell you a lot about the packages.

A Ford Sierra Donor Vehicle is used for the New Series III Kit and the Traditional Kit.

Possibly the last rear wheel drive mass made donor vehicles to be made. These have been available since 1982, it is the earlier models that are coming up at the lowest prices. Development work has utilised the Ford Sierra with the 1600cc and 2000cc Pinto (carburettored) engines. From the Sierra you can dispose of the body shell, glass, boot, bonnet and upholstery. Due to the strength of the Robin Hood body/chassis unit it is possible to fit more powerful engines. Estates, V6, injection, CVH and twin cam are all difficult to use. The Ford Sierra's rear wheel drive independent suspension is used on both the New Series III and the Traditional road holding is extremely good.

Components needed from the Ford Sierra to complete a New Series III kit:

Engine Gearbox with gear stick

Rear axle complete Sierra front stub axles

Battery Steering column with ignition
Pedals Windscreen wiper complete

Heater Fuel tank sender unit and neck

Handbrake lever All nuts, bolts, fasteners and miscellaneous brackets

In addition to the above, the Traditional will also require:

* Front subframe from an early Ford Sierra

Steering rack with track rod ends

Front callipers and discs Servo and master cylinder

Wiring loom

Steering wheel and column switches

Accelerator, handbrake and clutch cables

Washer bottle

Front anti roll bar Interior mirror

Rear springs and shock absorbers

portant planetary holes

Front lower track control arms

Wheels and tyres

Or simply strip down your donor vehicle throw away the bodyshell, glass and soft trim and keep everything else. At the end of your build you can then dispose of the items you did not use.

The GRP Colour

Self coloured Glass Reinforced Plastic (GRP) wings and nose cone are supplied. Front cycle wings are supplied as standard. See the relevant order form for the cost if you would like another colour of GRP or long front wings. Standard colours for the kits are:

New Series III - Option of either Signal Red or British Racing Green.

Traditional - British racing green

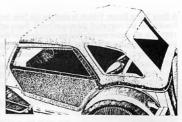
The Trim Colour

Standard* trim colour is dark Grey to match the GRP. Twin traditionally styled seats are supplied with the kits along with carpet and vinyl. See kit specification for details.

*Standard colour may change depending on current stock.

Wet Weather Equipment

The hood and sidescreen set supplied in the New Series III kit is manufactured from top quality black vinyl and is of a new design with welded windows. These can be bought and fitted to the 'Traditional' if required. Tonneau covers are also available, again these are manufactured from top quality black vinyl and are included on the optional extras list on the order forms.



Visiting Robin Hood Engineering

We are close to the M1 motor way (see map) and are open for sales, viewing and test drives on Saturdays only between 10.30am and 4.00pm. It is best to telephone during the week to make sure that we are open when you hope to visit as we also exhibit at many shows throughout the year. General telephone enquiries can be made during the week. Do not be mislead by the low prices, come to our factory and see for yourself exactly what you get in the kit. We believe that you won't find better value for money in the world!

Robin Hood Engineering at the Shows Robin Hood Engineering attend many shows throughout the year. You can see us at:

- The NAC, Stoneleigh, Warks. on the 3rd and 4th May (Bank Holiday)
- · Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate, 24th and 25th May (Bank Holiday)
- · Newark Showground, Notts June (dates to be announced)
- · Waddington Air Show, Lines on the 27th and 28th June
- · Kempton Park, London 1st and 2nd August
- . The NAC, Stoneleigh, Warks 29th, 30th, 31st August (Bank Holiday)

More information on the kit car shows can be found in the kit car press. Check with either ourselves or the show organisers to find out if we will be at any other shows you plan to visit.

Insuring your Robin Hood

The Robin Hood is recognised by all specialist kit car insurance brokers, for a competitive quotation contact one of these brokers (they advertise in the kit car magazines) rather than general motor insurers. For example, Adrian Flux Insurance quoted that a 40 year old with maximum No Claims Bonus wanting third party fire and theft insurance with limited mileage of 5000 miles a year would pay only £100. Adrian Flux can be contacted on 01553 691266.

How to order a Kit

Using the relevant order form attached, complete the section with your name, address and daytime telephone number. Go through the extras ticking any that you require. Finally sign, date and return the form with your deposit of £50 to Robin Hood Engineering Ltd, Oxclose Lane, Mansfield Woodhouse, Nottinghamshire, NG19 8DF. England. This nominal deposit secures a kit at the price ordered. Full payment of the kit is not required until the day of collection (see payment arrangements).

Payment of your kit

Payment can be made either:

*10 days before collection (to allow for clearance)

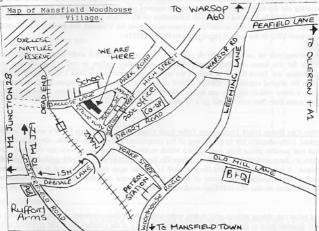
By personal, business, bank or building society cheque.

*On the day of collection

By Bankers Draft or credit or debit cards only (Credit cards incur a 4% surcharge). (Cash is not an acceptable method of payment when collecting the kit.)

How to find Robin Hood Engineering

Robin Hood Engineering are about 20 minutes from junction 28 or 29 of the M1 motor way. Exit the M1 at junction 28 or 29 and head towards Mansfield. At the traffic light junction with the Rufford Pub on the corner head towards Mansfield Woodhouse (sign posted). Go under the bridge and at the next set of lights turn left into Station Street. Take the first left and follow the road (Grove Way) round, take the second road on the right which is Oxclose Lane. Robin Hood Engineering is about 100 yards up here on the right hand side opposite the Robin Hood Junior School. This is the front entrance for sales, kit despatches are usually from the rear on Grove Street.



Collecting your kit

Kits are despatched on Saturdays from our factory at Mansfield Woodhouse. Usually several kits are collected on the same day and the day is often an enjoyable event where the many collectors have a chance to meet up with other owners and many long term friendships are formed. These bulk despatches involve Robin Hood Engineering in less administrative work, which helps to keep the cost of the kits low. Generally, kits can be ready for collection in about five weeks, it is best to check with us for possible dates. Unfortunately we are unable to accept orders for kits for collection in more than 12 weeks.

Vehicle/trailer required to collect your kit

To collect the kit, you will require a long wheel base Transit van, Luton bodied van or almost any trailer (check the body will fit, size below). Even a camping trailer can be used where the body/chassis unit sits

on top of the trailer and the components either go into the tub like monocoque construction, in the trailer or in the back of your car. We have even seen kits collected in horse boxes and on roof racks!

KIT	LENGTH	WIDTH	HEIGHT 40"
New Series III body/chassis unit	130"	48"	
Traditional body/chassis unit	114"	48"	24"

Assistance while building the kit. The videos supplied with some kits, whilst being an amateur production, are particularly informative. Robin Hood Engineering believe that customers should have no problems at all with their build. Just in case they do knowledgeable Robin Hood builders are only a phone call away.

Registering your Robin Hood and the New Single Vehicle Approval Scheme. As you may be aware, new regulations covering kit cars are due to be introduced. With regard to the SVA regulations the authorities have not given definite dates or specifications. We issue a guarantee with every one of our kits assuring you the customer, that the components supplied are capable of being built into a car that will pass the Single Vehicle Approval test. Latest information on the SVA is available from the Vehicle Registration Office. If at this stage you would like to know more about the SVA test, see the kit car press or contact your local VRO or the Vehicle Inspectorate on 01792 458888

Registering your kit car is still done via your local VRO (see phone book under Department of Transport). Apply for the forms and they usually send out explanatory leaflets as well. Basically the rules for registration are: Prove that all or most of the necessary components are from a single donor and you can retain the original registration number. Proof of just one component, i.e. Engine, gearbox, steering, etc. From a donor vehicle will give you an age related number and if you can not prove where any of the parts have come from then you will still get a 'Q' plate but these are not now common in kit cars.

How Can Robin Hood Engineering Offer Such Good Value For Monev? We manage to offer low priced, comprehensive kits by purchasing all the components and materials in bulk. Buying in bulk ensure that best possible prices from our suppliers which enables us to pass savings onto the customer. Over the years we have perfected our production lines this has resulted in increased and quickened manufacturing output. It is intended that Robin Hood kits sell in volume, again reducing the cost to the customers. We have a large manufacturing factory of 36,000 sq.ft. on a one acre site. Many of our components are manufactured on site. We hold large stocks of materials.

All prices can change without prior notice, order now to avoid disappointment. By paying a deposit of only £50 fixes the price of the kit. All prices are subject to VAT at the standard rate. The deposit is refundable if when collecting your kit you are not happy. A copy of our Terms and Conditions is available on request or on display at our premises. Robin Hood Engineering Ltd reserve the right to refuse an order without reason.

Here we have answered many of the common questions put to us by new customers. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us, we will be happy to answer them for you. Phone, call on Saturdays or write!

NEW SERIES III KIT ORDER FORM

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Daytime Telephone No		
New Series III	£2950	+ VAT
Having decided on a Robin Hood kit, you will receive a package a Listed below are 'optional extras' which are additions to kits but ar car. Please read through the list, if you require any of these extras, pl	e not necessary for y	ou to complete ye
Optional Extras		
Pair of swept, long front wings instead of cycle type	£ 50 + VAT	()
Full, zipped tonneau cover with fixings.	£ 100 + VAT	()
Spare alloy wheel and Avon tyre	£ 90 + VAT	()
Spare wheel cover.	£ 20 + VAT	()
Exhaust silencer, stainless steel heat protector.	£ 35 + VAT	()
Left hand drive option	£ 150 + VAT	()
Yellow / blue GRP (please specify which)	£ 50 + VAT	()
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GRP Colour: Signal Red / British Racing Green	Deposit Paid £	
Customers Signature:	Date:	Carmon
Preferred Collection date:		
Although a collection date can not be guaranteed at the time the order is pli preferred date. We are unable to accept an order for a kit for collection in me be sent to you confirming the date of collection. Our Terms and Conditions ar	ore than twelve weeks. A	
To assist us with our advertising, please indicate where you first sa	w the kit:	
Should you have any further queries regarding our kits we will be be return this order form with your deposit, if on collection of your kit, then we will gladly refund your deposit. Send your order and deposit	e kit does not meet w	

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ROBIN HOOD 'TRADITIONAL' ORDER FORM

Name:Address:				
Address				
Daytime Telephone Number:				
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One Robin Hood 'Trac	litic	ona	l' kit £119	05 + VAT
OPTIONAL EXTRAS Although not require optional and may be ordered and collected when and buy them in the future as you wish. VAT must be seen to	ien you	collec	t your kit, atternatively you	and accessories are can spread the cost
Stainless steel body/chassis option	£300		Roll over bar	£100 🗆
Swept front wings instead of cycle wings	£50		Bonnet louvres	£40 🗆
*Alternative GRP colour, red, blue or yellow	£50		Full tonneau cover	£100 🗆
Series III type hood, sidescreens and frame	£250		Wheels and tyres	POA
Windscreen pack- frame, glass, rubber, etc.	£60		Ask about our budget h	oods and tonneaus
11" Mountney steering wheel and boss	£45			
GRP COLOUR: BRIT				
*OPTIONAL EXTRA GRP COLOUR ([Please state	:):			
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Should you have any further queries regardin return this order form with your deposit, is expectations then we will gladly refund your d	on co	ollectio	n of your kit, the kit does	Please complete and s not meet with you

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