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Legacy Power Wagon: For Big Boys

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New Range Rover a little mumsy? You need the hand-built Legacy Power Wagon Conversion based on the famous Dodge AWD truck.

The trucks are built in the heart of pioneer country, Jackson, Wyoming. Legacy Classic Trucks takes an original Dodge Power Wagon – the famous all-wheel-drive truck produced from the closing stages of WW2 to 1980 – and then totally rebuilds it with all mod-cons: air-conditioning; modern, three-point seatbelts; four-wheel disc brakes; power steering; a 16,500lb winch; and much more.

In fact, the company owned by Winslow Bent can do pretty well anything you might want. Starting with a 'rotisserie' restored chassis and body, all suspension and mechanical components are either totally overhauled or replaced. Modern long-travel suspension with Bilstein dampers is fitted. Front and rear locking differentials, together with an Atlas transfer case and 3.8:1 low-range option, mean the giant utility vehicle can cover just about any terrain.





Two powerplants are available: a 426 Legacy Magnum V8 425bhp petrol, or a 3.9-litre Cummins Turbo-Diesel with 480lb ft of torque. Either a 5-speed manual or 4-speed automatic can be specified.

And the conversion can be carried out on any variant of what started as a military vehicle, but immediately became a commercial success as the ultimate civilian, 'go anywhere' truck. The one you see here is the 'Legacy Power Wagon 2-Door', at \$119,950.

Classic Driver readers with original, American-spec Airstream caravans might prefer the 'Power Wagon Woodie'. Every \$249,000 'Woodie' benefits from 2,000 hours of woodworking, 500 hours of bodywork restoration, 200 hours to re-upholster the leather interior, and over 400 hours spent on the vehicle's mechanical components.

But will it get you to that most remote camping spot in the woods? We think so.

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