

Hard top, soft top or open—the Thunderbird is the star in any setting!

And now: the latest version

of America's most exciting car:

Ford THUNDERBIRD for '56

Ready to give you a new lease on driving fun, this newest version of America's favorite dream car is more stunning in style . . . more thrilling in power . . . more luxurious in comfort.

Here poised for flight, you see what many people hardly dreamed possible: a more beautiful, more powerful, more distinctive Thunderbird.

The graceful contours of its long, low lines...the unique flair of its new spare-tire mounting...the dazzling sheen of its new two-tone colors are but a hint of its newness.

It is when you put the selector in

drive position and nudge the gas pedal of a Fordomatic model that the Thunderbird will really take you by the heart. Beneath the hood is a new 225-h.p. Thunderbird Y-8, to revise your ideas of how a car should respond.

Now, you may choose hard top, soft top or both. There's a glass-fibre hard top and a foldaway fabric top. Now, the interiors are richer—more beautiful than ever. Now, you get the added protection of Ford's exclusive Lifeguard design. And, as always, you may have optional power steering, brakes, windows and seat. Ask your Ford Dealer just how soon you can start enjoying the better things of driving.



The Thunderbird's brand-new, rear spare-tire mounting folds back handily, as quick as a wink. It adds as greatly to your luggage space as it does to the over-all beauty of the car.