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1966 Oldsmobile Cutlass Restoration Guide

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1966 Oldsmobile Cutlass Restoration Guide

Model Years 1966

Model year	1966 — Supreme four-door hardtop; W-30 is born
Wheelbase	115 in
Volume V8	330 cu in, 250 hp (2-bbl) / 320 hp (4-bbl)
Base six	250 cu in 'Action-Line 6' (new)
Performance	4-4-2: 350 hp std; L69 tri-carb 360 hp; W-30 debuts (54 built)
New series	Cutlass Supreme four-door hardtop

Every specification in this guide was checked against factory literature, marque references, period road tests, and documented survivor vehicles. Where sources disagree or the record is silent, this guide says so rather than guessing.

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What This Year Is — and What Changed

The 1966 Cutlass wears the round-arch restyle it shares with the full-size Oldsmobiles, gains a flagship four-door hardtop, and — at the top of the 4-4-2 order form — offers two of the most collectible engine packages Oldsmobile ever built: the triple-carburetor L69 and the very first W-30.



1966 change register

- Restyle: body lines follow the full-size 88; Sport and Holiday coupes get semi-fastback rooflines with extended sail panels and tunneled rear windows.
- Cutlass Supreme four-door hardtop (Holiday Sedan) debuts — the first four-door hardtop in Oldsmobile's intermediate line.
- Base six changes: the Buick V6 is replaced by the 'Action-Line 6', Oldsmobile's badge on Chevrolet's 250 straight-six.
- 330 ratings settle at 250 hp (two-barrel) and 320 hp (four-barrel).
- 4-4-2: standard 400 (L78) rises to 350 hp. Optional L69: three two-barrel carburetors on a progressive linkage, 360 hp.
- W-30 debuts: outside-air induction ducted from the front bumper, hotter cam, battery relocated to the trunk (which is why no W-30 convertibles exist). 54 factory-built, plus 97 dealer-installed kits.



Factory Specification — 1966

Item	Factory specification	Notes
Wheel base	115 in	
Volume V 8	330 cu in Jetfire Rocker	Head-stamp prefix W (1966-67); 250/320 hp
4-4-2 standard	400 cu in (L78)	350 hp / 440 lb-ft
4-4-2 optional	400 cu in L69 tri-carb; W-30	360 hp; W-30 rated the same, widely believed under rated