

Beneath its deceptively smooth lines FAB 1 provides International Rescue's London Agent with an impressive range of concealed gadgetry



FAB 1 Technical data

DIMENSIONS

LENGTH: 21 feet

WIDTH: 8 feet

WEIGHT: 3 tons

PERFORMANCE

LAND SPEED: 200mph+

SEA SPEED: 50 knots

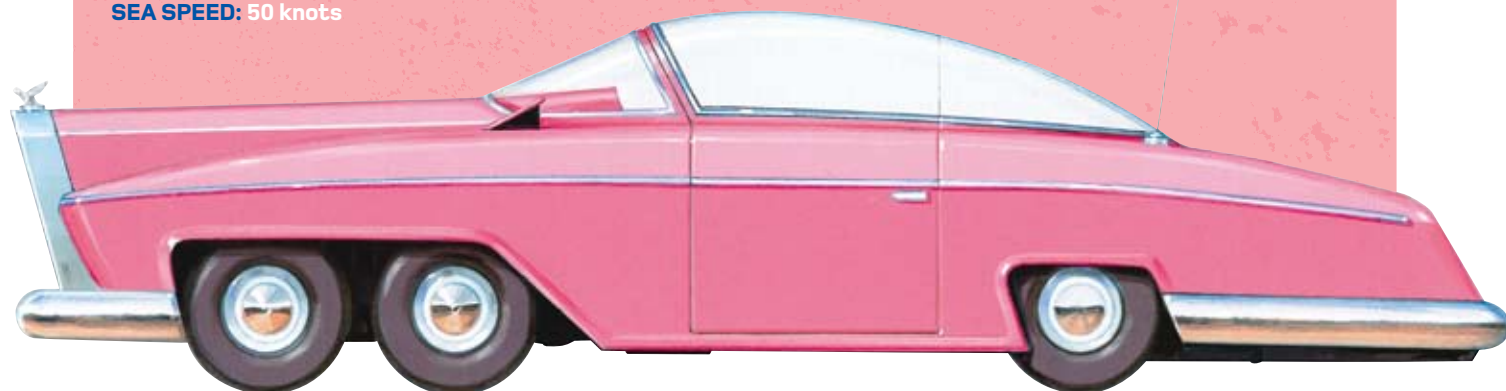
POWER

ENGINES: Modified Rolls-Royce gas turbine Vortex aquajet for water travel

ARMAMENT

FRONT: 2 machine guns and 1 central machine cannon

REAR: 2 machine guns, 4 harpoon launchers, smokescreen canister, oil slick dispenser and 2 laser guns



TECHNOLOGY DATA FILE

Custom built for the Creighton-Ward family by the Rolls-Royce company, FAB 1 is powered by one of the firm's most powerful hybrid mini gas turbine power units. To support the weight of the turbine, twin-steering front-wheel assemblies are required, resulting in a unique six-wheeled chassis, the arrangement also giving the double benefit of greater stability when cornering.

Powered at low revolutions by conventional fuel sources, proton-conducting solid-oxide fuel cells can be engaged to boost the turbine's power, enabling a maximum speed in excess of 200mph to be achieved. To complement the vehicle's unique engineering, equally unconventional bodywork was created, sweeping back in an aerodynamically efficient streamlined shape from the traditional Rolls-Royce radiator grille.

To add to the aerodynamic effect and to provide maximum visibility, the passenger compartment is topped by a transparent bubble incorporating opening gull-wing sections. These are combined with retractable lower doors to provide access for passengers. In contrast, the leather and wood trimmed interior is relatively understated, its most unusual feature being the centrally positioned driving seat. This affords the driver unrestricted vision and allows ease of access for passengers to the rear bench seat. For additional rear view vision the driver can switch in cameras mounted in the boot and at either side of the canopy to relay images to the two dashboard display monitors.

Although remaining outwardly unchanged, FAB 1 has been almost entirely rebuilt since it first left the Rolls-Royce factory to cater for its present owner's undercover activities. Initially modified by the Federal Agents Bureau, whose Undercover Weapons and Equipment division fitted numerous gadgets to the vehicle, FAB 1 was again thoroughly reconstructed to specifications devised by Brains in the Tracy Island laboratories.

Beneath its sleek bodywork, FAB 1 now boasts an arsenal of weaponry and an impressive range of high-tech gadgetry. At the touch of a button on the dashboard the driver can engage rear-mounted spears, laser guns, oil slick and smokescreen dispensers, and twin-mounted machine guns. The front of the car is similarly well armed, boasting directional machine guns, which also function as sniper rifles, and a centrally mounted high-powered machine cannon concealed behind the famous radiator grille. Other weaponry and defensive devices include tyre slashers and bullet-proof tyres fitted with retractable studs to aid grip.

Other modifications to the car to increase its versatility and mission practicality include a lift located in the boot, skis and hydrofoils. The car's communications equipment has also been upgraded with Neutroni transceiving components, and infrared and thermal imaging cameras fitted to the front and rear. Most importantly, the body shell, canopy and internal mechanics have been entirely rebuilt with super toughened materials rendering the car virtually indestructible.



Driver
FAB 1
Aloysius Parker

DESIGNATED ROLE

London Agent's General Factotum and Associate Mission Operative.

AREA OF SPECIALISATION

Armoured limousine transport duties, security system immobilisation, underworld community liaison.

BACKGROUND

Born into a long line of family retainers, Aloysius Parker found his employment prospects in service ruined as a result of a family feud. Encouraged by a criminal gang he had fallen in with, he turned his skills at mechanical engineering and thermo-technical dynamics to dishonest use. An extended 'holiday' in Parkmoor Scrubs did not cure his crooked tendencies, and he returned to his life as an expert safe-breaker. His skills brought him to the attention of Lady Penelope who 'encouraged' him to turn his talents to more productive use.

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

A devoted, loyal and trustworthy character, Parker barely raises an eyebrow when asked to take part in another dangerous mission for his employer and can be relied on to retain a sense of humour in the most desperate situation.

