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SATURN SKY CONCEPT VEHICLE CATERES TO YOUTH

New Generation Roadster Marks New Expressive Design

Most concept vehicles are designed to test public reaction. The Saturn SKY concept, an open-air roadster, does just the opposite.

"It's a response to what young people told us they wanted," said Dave Smith, Saturn's brand character chief designer. "They said they were looking for open air and room for their friends and their stuff, balanced with a sense of responsibility. We just know this is a concept worth exploring."

The Saturn SKY is a four-season vehicle spacious enough to move people and cargo comfortably through traffic without abandoning the coziness of a classic roadster. The compact convertible combines a hip, energetic design that speaks to an individual sense of style with supreme functionality for people on the go, according to Smith.

A versatile seating package allows the SKY to convert easily from two-place to four-place seating. The extra seats in the rear stow away underneath the tonneau cover when not in use.

The Saturn SKY also provides easy entry and exit. On this concept, Saturn continues with a unique feature to the brand – a rear access door on the driver's side. This application is borrowed from today's Saturn coupe, the only vehicle in the market that has this innovation.

The concept vehicle features an Ecotec 2.2-liter four-cylinder engine with a low-boost supercharger, mated to a five-speed manual transmission, that generates 180 horsepower.



EXTERIOR

Saturn's design philosophy is honest, optimistic and expressive, according to Smith. The "honest" design comes through in that the vehicle clearly communicates its intended use and functionality.

Saturn's signature upswept lines define the exterior, creating a look that's both expressive and optimistic. A continuous upswept line follows the hood cutline embraces the headlamps, and a wide, low front air intake is positioned underneath.

SKY features a simple fabric roof that is lightweight and easy to use. The collapsible roof stows in the rear of the vehicle.

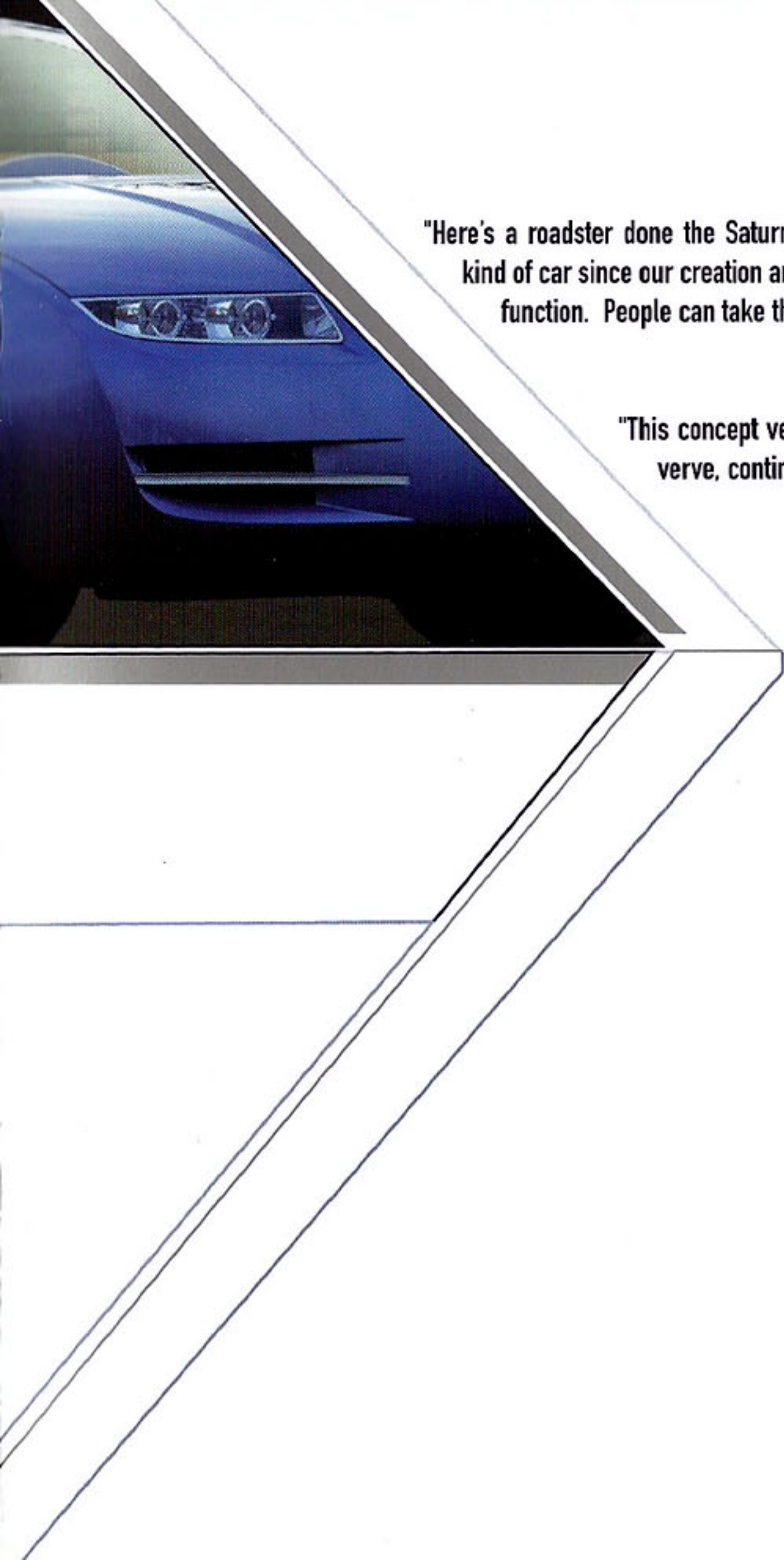
Distinctive lighting treatments on the Saturn SKY add appeal to the front and rear of the concept. The long low-profile fog lights glow softly with the striking appearance of arctic ice.

The taillights are powered by LED technology creating a distinctive lighting signature at the rear of the vehicle. The light from the LED lamps is directed in a way that provides a smooth, even glow. SKY's rear lighting provides the benefits of lightning-quick illumination, lower voltage consumption and lightweight packaging.



INTERIOR

Inside, Saturn designers continued with the upswept character lines on the steering wheel center and the door panels. The instrumentation is mounted in the center of the console, instead of the traditional location behind the steering column. This has several benefits. It keeps the driver's eyes closer to the horizon, eliminates obscuration of gauges by the steering wheel and allows a smaller steering wheel for a sporty feel.



"Here's a roadster done the Saturn way," said Jill Lajdziak, vice president of Saturn Sales, Service and Marketing. "We've been offering a different kind of car since our creation and now we are showing off a car the world has never seen – a stirring, open-air roadster that is an equal mix of fun and function. People can take their friends along and easily talk as they go."

"This concept vehicle is extremely important for Saturn," Smith added. "We want to infuse Saturn design with even more daring and verve, continuing some of the brand's signature cues."

SPECIFICATIONS

SATURN SKY CONCEPT VEHICLE

Body/Chassis Structure:	steel unibody
Body Material:	composite
Chassis Material:	steel / aluminum
Suspension:	strut front and rear
Wheels:	18 in aluminum alloy
Tires:	P225/45-R18
Brakes:	front & rear disc

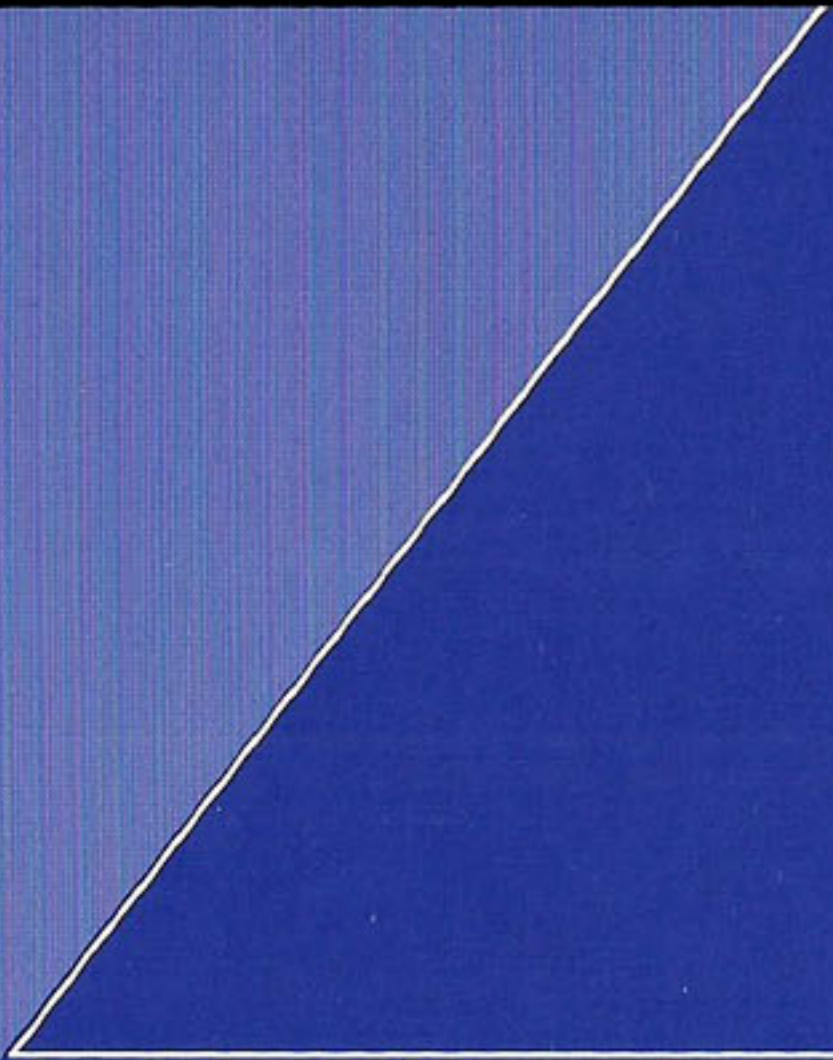
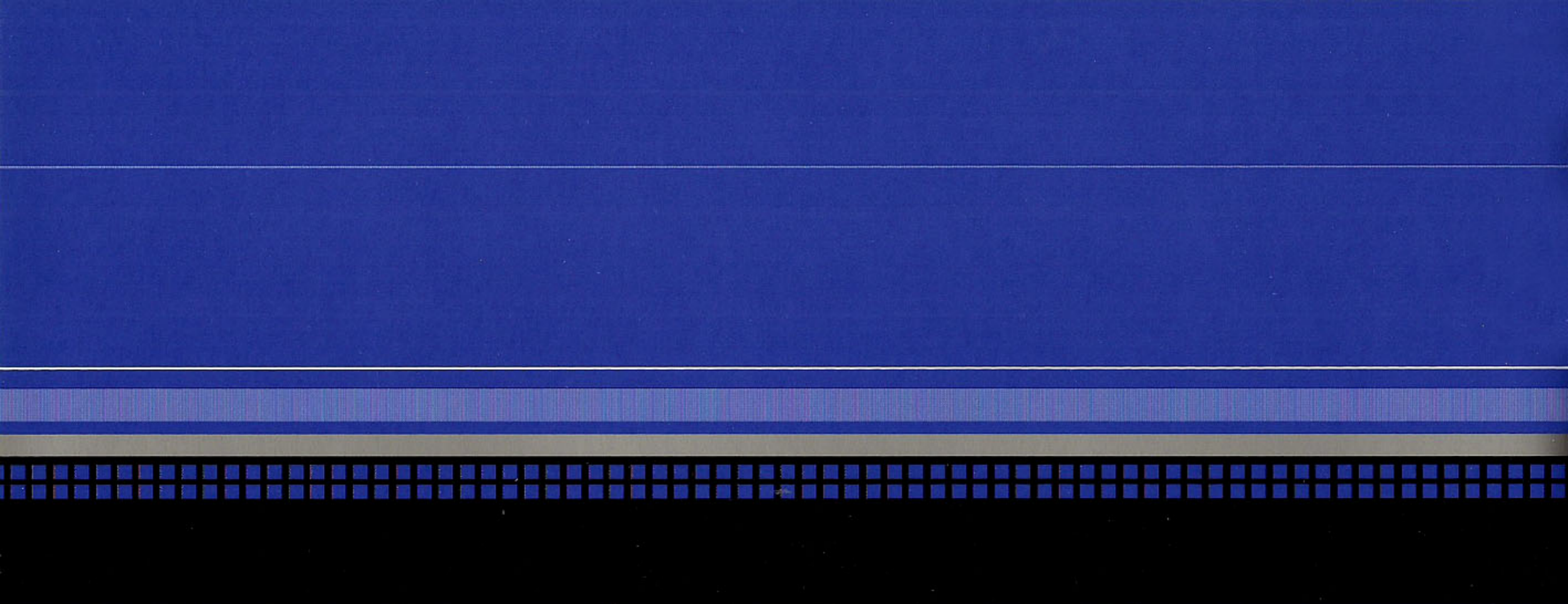
POWERTRAIN

Engine:	Ecotec 4-Cylinder with low-boost supercharger
Engine displacement:	2.2L
Horsepower:	180
Torque:	190 lb-ft
Transmission:	5-Speed manual

DIMENSIONS

Height (in / mm):	51.2 / 1301
Length (in / mm):	165.7 / 4210
Width (in / mm):	69.5 / 1765.3
Wheelbase (in / mm):	102.4 / 2601.0
Track (in / mm):	62 / 1575





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THE SATURN SKY CONCEPT VEHICLE: A NEW KIND OF ROADSTER

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We've taken a roadster concept and infused it with Saturn brand signatures to create a more daring and animated vehicle. Saturn's familiar upswept body lines define the exterior with a creative, inviting and friendly appearance.

With innovative styling, the use of new technology in the interior design, fabrics and metallic accents, this design concept provides a peek into the future of Saturn.



EXTERIOR

- SKY blue metallic paint treatment with sharp white highlights (New technology)
- Easy entry and exit, with a rear access door on the driver's side
- Moveable tonneau cover converts the SKY's outward appearance from a two-seater (cover in place) to a four-seater (cover stowed)
- Lighting: Foglamps—Low-profile, ultra-bright LED strips
Tail lamps—LED/neon appearance
Rocker—Glowing frost appearance, fiber-optic technology
- Z-rated tires for superb grip in spirited driving
- 18" aluminum wheels

INTERIOR

- Center-mounted instrument cluster
- Instrument panel storage
- Seating for four passengers with easy access to the rear seat
- Open-cabin design allows for easy conversation between front and rear seat occupants
- Manual gearshift knob is designed to fold into the center console when the SKY is parked for easy access to the front seats as well as from the rear
- Active-matrix LCD displays

TECHNOLOGY

- 2.2L supercharged Ecotec™ 4-cylinder engine producing 180 horsepower and 190 lb. ft. of torque
- 5-speed manual transmission
- Front-wheel drive
- Traction Control
- Heavy use of aluminum to reduce unsprung weight for better handling
- Independent MacPherson strut front suspension
- Multi-link rear suspension
- Brakes: Front disc—vented and cross-drilled
Rear disc—vented
- Four-channel Anti-lock Braking System
- High-strength steel spaceframe (common Saturn feature)
- Composite body panels

LENGTH: 165"

WIDTH: 69.5"

HEIGHT: 51.6"

WHEELBASE: 102.4"

WEIGHT: 2,300 lbs.