

CAMPERVAN OF THE YEAR 2015



FACTS & FIGURES

Price from: £30,000 **Berths:** 4
Travel seats: 6 **Length:** 4.97m
Base vehicle: Ford Tourneo Custom
Engine: 2.2-litre TDCi, 155bhp

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WINNER

Auto Campers Leisure Van

Vive la différence summed up the campervan section of the awards this year, with multi-purpose vehicles and even an all-electric camper – Hillside Leisure’s Nissan e-NV200-based Dalbury E – to the fore. Even the one shortlisted ‘van with an ‘ordinary’ classic layout proved different as it was one of the first in the UK to be built on the superb new Renault Trafic.

The winner, however, takes the title ‘multi-purpose’ camper to extremes, so many are the internal configurations on offer.

It all starts with Ford’s Custom – a new member of the Transit family that fills the gap between the full-sized Transit and the car-sized Transit Courier

(or Connect) to provide a super alternative to the VW T5. The Leisure Van uses the upmarket Tourneo version, which brings MPV talents to the whole package.

And that package is extensive, as a series of removable pods and seats allows owners to change configurations from pure load-carrier, through seating for up to six and on to full-blown rising-roof camper. Seating, storage and kitchen units can be added and removed, and a double bed installed, according to your needs.

This ‘van can collect a new washing machine and do the school run during the week, then become a well-equipped camper for up to four people at weekends.

One of the best multi-purpose campers we’ve seen.



RUNNER-UP

Reimo Caddy Camp Maxi

A smaller but almost equally clever camper that can travel five, using the existing two rows of Caddy seating. The boot then contains folding seats and kitchen/storage units.

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