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Wikov 35 Kapka (Czech Republic, 1931)

STREAMLINER

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The First of its Kind

Beginning in 1930 the Czechoslovakian company Wikov presented with the Typ 35 a car, which definitely targeted the well-off part of the people.

The Wikov 35 was the further stage of the Typ 7/28. Its four-cylinder straight-type engine had a displacement of 1,743 cc and a performance of 35 hp. The engine power was transferred to the rear axle through a three-speed gear and speeded the 1,170 kg car up to a top speed of almost 100 km/h. The luxury car had a then-common, classic body, which was designed without consideration of any aerodynamic principles. In its design the Wikov 35 did not essentially differ from other luxury cars but based on it the foresight of the company founders Frantisek Wichterle and Frantisek Kovářik took affect. Seven years before their Czechoslovakian competitor Tatra presented its aerodynamically styled passenger car, the Typ 87, Wikov created a car body based on the chassis of the Typ 35, which was guided by the knowledge of car

aerodynamics at that time and therewith also the first streamlined Czechoslovakian car. Under the designation "Kapka", which is the Czech term for drop or pearl, the car went on sale. Its design was possibly too abstract for the most buyers. The special body with the tapered front, which was furnished with all round air inlets, was built only six times.

In 1935 Wikov ceased the production of passenger cars in favor of the production of commercial vehicles.

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