

Taxi services

Taxi service:

Service taxi is a low-cost taxi service available in countries, somewhat akin to a shuttle but usually provided by ordinary 4-door sedans which look like taxis. Service taxis travel mostly along major streets, where potential passengers on the sidewalks hail the passing service taxis and tell the drivers their desired destinations. Each driver then decides whether this is close enough to the destinations of other passengers already in the taxi, either declining or accepting the passenger. The price of a service taxi ride is almost always a fixed, pre-agreed price which may be as low as a third of the metered or otherwise comparable single fare trip in a regular taxi.

Limousine:

A limousine (or limo) is an unusually long luxury car, traditionally black or white in color (other colors, however, have also been used for limousines, such as pink, magenta, or blue). Limousines are most commonly driven by chauffeurs and are often associated with the wealthy. While some limousines are owned by individuals, many are owned by governments to transport senior politicians, by large companies to transport executives, or by broadcasters to transport guests. Most limousines, however, operate as livery vehicles, providing up market competition to taxicabs. The word limousine is derived from the name of the French region Limousine, and is associated with the long cloaks once worn by the shepherds there.

Limousine types:

1. Traditional.
2. Stage.
3. Exotic limousine.

Traditional:

Traditionally, the limousine has been an extension of a large sedan. A longer frame and wheelbase allow the rear passenger compartment to contain the usual forward facing passenger seat but with a substantial amount of foot room — more than is actually needed. Usually then two "jump seats" are mounted, facing rearward behind the driver. These seats fold up when not in use. In this way, up to five persons can be carried in the aft compartment in comfort, and up to two additional persons carried in the driver's compartment, for a total capacity of seven passengers in addition to the driver. This type of seat configuration has however become less popular in recent limousines.

Stage:

The stage type of vehicle modified for multiple passenger use is the motorized stage, applied to the same tasks as the earlier stagecoach. It is not considered a true limousine but rather in its design and application is between a sedan and a bus. While a bus will have a central interior aisle for access to seating, a stage has multiple doors that allow access to transverse forward facing seats.

Exotic limousine:

A coach builder or car designer will develop the "ultimate" stretch limo, adding amenities that are somewhat impractical but which make a significant design statement. One such design includes double rear axles to support the weight of an operational hot tub.

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