



MAN TGE: Excellent basis for motorhomes

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At the Caravan Salon in Düsseldorf (26.08. - 03.09.2023) MAN Truck & Bus will be showing its camper innovations on the TGE base vehicle, making it easier for motorhome manufacturers to expand.

- **TGE Camper Van base vehicle with MAN Individual package on the exhibition stand**
- **New feature ex works: MAN Camper high roof**
- **New with MAN Individual: 4-channel air suspension and increased engine output with up to 202 hp**
- **Three vehicle exhibits in Hall 16, Stand D17:**
- **TGE Camper Van base vehicle, KNAUS BOXDRIVE and Affinity M Duo**

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For MAN Truck & Bus, the camping segment is an important pillar within its van business. This is underlined by the Munich commercial vehicle manufacturer's renewed participation in the Caravan Salon trade fair (Düsseldorf, 26 August to 9 September 2023). In addition to the long-established cooperations with Knaus Tabbert (KNAUS BOXDRIVE model) and Westfalia (Sven Hedin model), many other motorhome manufacturers have become aware of the strengths of the MAN TGE as a base vehicle. Affinity (Affinity M Duo model), Balcamp (Balcamp 610 model), Bravia mobil (Bravia Swan 680 model), MegaMobil (Mega MAN 600 model), Rocket Camper (Rocket Mountain model), among others, have now included the TGE in their range. At stand D17 in Hall 16, MAN Truck & Bus will be presenting three vehicles, among others: a KNAUS BOXDRIVE, an Affinity M Duo and a MAN TGE base vehicle Camper Van with MAN Individual package.

"We have gained a foothold in the caravanning industry and are pleased about the lively demand from motorhome manufacturers and their customers. The very high product quality of the TGE with excellent handling at passenger car level and a comprehensive selection of assistance and safety systems are among the strengths of the MAN TGE. Added to this is the customer-oriented MAN service with 24/7 breakdown service and extended ser-

MAN Truck & Bus is one of Europe's leading commercial vehicle manufacturers and transport solution providers, with an annual revenue of about 11 billion euros (2022). The company's product portfolio includes vans, trucks, buses/coaches and diesel and gas engines along with services related to passenger and cargo transport. MAN Truck & Bus is a company of TRATON GROUP and employs approx. 33,000 people worldwide.



vice hours at many locations. In Germany we have even extended our service to the complete motorhome for selected models at almost 50 locations," says Thomas Herzog, Head of International Key Account Management Van at MAN.

Premiere: MAN TGE with camper high roof

The Camper high roof, which can be ordered ex works, will be on show for the first time at the trade fair stand, allowing standing heights of over two metres in extended motorhomes. Other Camper highlights on the MAN TGE base vehicle Camper Van are the Individual Lion S package and the two additionally available options of sidebars and painted add-on parts. (front and rear bumpers, side marker strips). The Lion S design package includes exterior mirror caps with MAN lions, stainless steel trim on the bumper, roof edge spoiler, red colour accents and ambient lighting in the vehicle cabin. The exclusive interior and exterior design can be ordered directly ex works in the single-bill business via the in-house finishing shop MAN Individual.

The MAN TGE Camper Van base vehicle is also equipped with an automatic step on the right sliding door with integrated obstacle detection (Autostop) as well as a body widening in the rear area (sleeping jaws), which increase the space available and sleeping comfort with beds installed transversely.

4-channel air suspension, underride protection and more power

A major trade fair highlight, which was installed on the MAN TGE base vehicle Camper Van, is the 4-channel air suspension. Especially for motorhomes, it offers an auto-level function for levelling when stationary as well as manual height adjustment, e.g. for emptying the water tanks. With three different driving modes (Onroad, Offroad and Offroad+), the driver can react to different road requirements. The 4-channel air suspension thus improves ride comfort and can help compensate for unfavourable loading conditions. Another extra from MAN Individual is also of interest to those who frequently travel off paved roads: The underride guard. This consists of a 5 mm thick aluminium sheet, which has integrated air inlets and water drainage openings. It protects the engine, transmission. Fuel tank, AdBlue tank and differential (4x4).

From MAN Individual, the MAN in-house tuner, there will soon also be an increase in engine power in the TGE. Targeted power release with maximum



engine protection will increase the output to up to 202 hp. This will also increase the torque.

MAN already has an extensive product portfolio for partially integrated camping vehicles. Worth mentioning here are the wide-track axle and the flat frame. MAN thus offers manufacturers of caravan vehicles every design option. In conjunction with additional factory-fitted equipment details such as the omission of a partition wall, swivelling seats for driver and co-driver, special seat fabrics for campers and a 2nd battery, the TGE represents an ideal basis for premium motorhomes.

Popular with campers: MAN TGE with 4x4 drive

Often requested by motorhome owners is the availability of all-wheel drive. Here the TGE offers two variants. For front-wheel drive vehicles, there is the Smart all-wheel drive. Here, the drive forces are optimally distributed between the front and rear axles fully automatically in milliseconds by means of a multi-plate clutch. Thanks to the selective engagement of the smart, integrated all-wheel drive solution, the MAN TGE is as fuel-efficient on the road in good road conditions as with front-wheel drive. The TGE 4x4 with a gross weight of 3.5t (optionally up to 4.0t) is available ex works with this solution. The vehicle can be ordered in 103 KW and 130 KW engine versions and comes with an 8-speed automatic transmission.

There is also the MAN TGE 4x4, which is based on the rear-wheel drive vehicle. Here, MAN Individual installs an extended off-road system from the Oberaigner company. The result is a permanent all-wheel drive with a torque distribution of 42 to 58% (front/rear). The permanent all-wheel-drive TGE can be ordered ex works with a gross weight of 5.0 t to 5.5 t with this solution. Here, the customer can choose the 120 kW variant with 6-speed manual or 8-speed automatic transmission.

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The MAN TGE as a base for motorhomes offers many features, including a new Camper high roof, 4-channel air suspension and underride protection.

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With its car-level handling, the MAN TGE is also an excellent basis for semi-integrated motorhomes.