



Coachman Amara 520/4

We ring in the New Year in a brand new test 'van... and we're looking forward to the coming season!



The handover of keys at Knowepark Caravans.

WAY back in July, when Coachman Caravans held their trade show of new models for 2013, I was particularly impressed with their makeover of the Amara range.

True, it did not have the outside styling of the Pastiche, the VIP or the Laser ranges, but I was really taken by the makeover of the interior. It was very stylish, and had that rather cosy feeling, which is essential when you are caravanning throughout the winter months.

So, when Coachman offered me the choice of models to test, I had no hesitation in choosing the Amara 520/4.

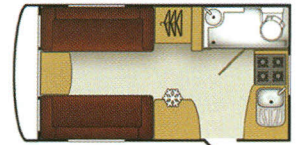
The test 'van was delivered to Knowepark Caravans, the newly appointed dealership. When I went to collect the caravan in mid-November, it looked really good with its new-style graphics. After hooking up, it towed like a dream all the way back to Glenrothes.

Because of the awful weather, I was confined to spending two weekends in the 'van at Kingdom Caravan Park in Glenrothes, where I store it. Everything in the 'van worked a treat, and I am particularly impressed with the Truma heating system, especially since the temperature on one of the weekends dropped to -4°C.

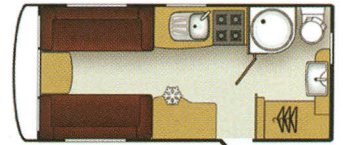
I was chafing at the bit to get the 'van on the road. On 28th December I set sail with two lots of friends, and we travelled up to The Camping and Caravanning Club's site



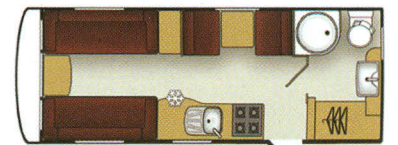
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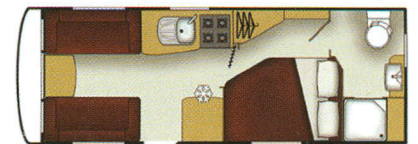
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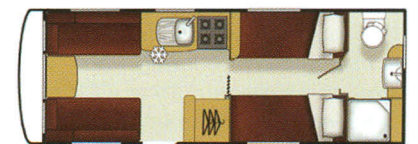
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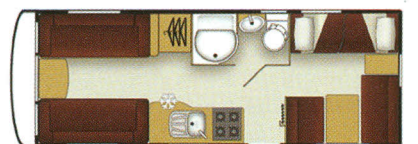
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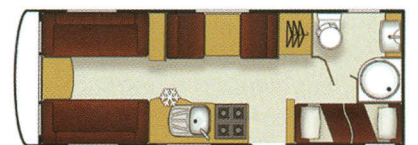
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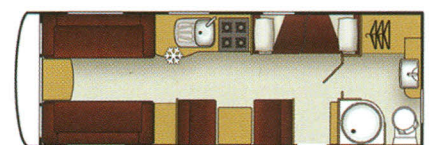
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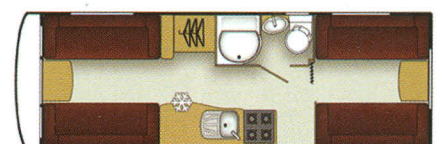
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Amara 640/6



Amara 655/6



Our pitch at Scone Palace.

at Scone Palace near Perth, to attend the Fife District Association's New Year Rally.

It was good to get on the road, and the van towed like a dream.

After pitching up, the caravan drew a great deal of admiring glances. It performed very well over the six nights away, and the only thing I missed was the roof

extractor fan when cooking - but it was not a huge problem.

I find the Amara 520/4 layout suits me down to the ground, but with nine layouts in the range there is one to suit any requirements!

I look forward to bringing you my reports on the caravan over the next six months.



We head for home after the rally.

