

Becker JetVan®

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You don't achieve success by standing still. That one sentence uniquely sums up both the work ethic and transportation solutions of Becker Automotive Design®, based in Oxnard, CA. The innovative Becker JetVan® delivers the ultimate corner office on wheels, enabling owners to capitalize on every available second to get work done, satisfy appointments, or take a break: all in a mobile space that reflects their personal taste, professional style and workflow preferences.

The JetVan's feature-rich environment is kept simple by Crestron, which provides touchpanel control of virtually every in-cabin system and device. Without ever having to unclasp the seatbelt, owners can access high speed Internet, 3G wireless technology, satellite TV and radio, iPods and DVD players, plus the air conditioning and heating controls, privacy dividers, aircraft-like LED lighting, electric aviation blinds, complete seat controls and automated side entry door.



chassis sizes and seating for up to eight passengers. Providing a personalized, productive environment is a Becker team priority; in fact, one of the first questions a client is asked is "what does 'productivity' mean to you?" The answer often entails a comfortable and quiet environment, with accessibility to quality communications and entertainment.

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Optimal productivity is achieved in a chauffeur-driven vehicle, which is how most JetVans are designed, with glass and solid dividers that can be electronically raised and lowered between the driver and passenger compartments. Becker Automotive provides a custom set of steps to make entry/exit easy, and no one has to watch their head as they enter and move about: a striking contrast to the average stretch limo. Meetings can be

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No stranger to customization, Becker Automotive offers its global celebrity and executive clientele virtually limitless aesthetic and performance options, as well as a choice of three Mercedes Benz



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conducted in person, via audio or video conference – all in an environment that feels like the interior of a private jet. The JetVan is also the greenest vehicle in its class, with low emissions and an EPA rating of 20 MPG highway.

A modified Mercedes Benz Sprinter Van, the JetVan sports a discreet exterior that ensures the unpretentious business image preferred by today's top business executives. Working with engineers at Mercedes Benz, Becker Automotive designed an upgraded rear suspension for the JetVan and powered the sliding entry door. A second (rear) climate control zone is Crestron-controlled, with a heater/air conditioner/fresh air ventilation system installed in the roof, supplemented by individual dust, hepa, and carbon filters. Two Crestron temperature and humidity sensors help maintain the optimal environmental conditions.

The Crestron RACK2 dual bus control system with six 16-relay control cards resides on a custom base beneath the center console of the front seat, with its own shock absorption/suspension system. Sine wave inverters are used to convert 12 volt to DC power, and on/off timers are used to ensure safe and sequential warm up and shut down. TPS-6L and/or TPMC-8L Crestron touchpanels in the passenger compartment reside in custom-made aluminum swivel mounts elegantly encased in leather.

Instead of squinting at a BlackBerry, a JetVan client can use the touchpanel to surf the Web and check email via a docked laptop or multimedia computer and 40" flat screen. The external front or rear cameras can be viewed, and seat and footrest positions as

well as the built-in seat warmer and massager can be adjusted. A Crestron C2N-DAP8RC 7.1 provides professional 7.1 surround sound and video processing, feeding the speakers and enabling the user to switch sources and channels and regulate volume. A CEN-IDOC Interface for Apple iPod® with docking station reproduces the iPod experience on the touchscreen, including the ability to select tunes by genre, artist, album and track. Many JetVan clients also have Crestron in their homes and/or offices, and the touchpanel GUI (graphical user interface) can be designed to match the navigation and look. A 12-button keypad provides appropriate controls to the driver.

The JetVan is a multiple Robb Report "Best of the Best" award winner, and has been described by the luxury lifestyle magazine as "a rolling refuge that is one part corner office and one part private club... [with] lavish interior appointments and a full contingent of cutting-edge technology."

"The Crestron system makes it quick and easy – whether you want to relax and enjoy or get down to business," adds Becker. "A cutting edge vehicle requires cutting edge technology."

While some high profile business executives and personalities travel in flashy, attention-grabbing limousines with interiors more conducive to partying, the Becker JetVan delivers an unmatched mobile business environment hidden inside a tastefully understated exterior. With a wide range of systems and devices under Crestron control, a chauffeur-driven JetVan is a supremely comfortable yet practical setting to work, meet, conference or rejuvenate while in transit.