

Volkswagen Passat Estate

This started life as an Audi 80, with a new body. I had acquired a rescue dog, my Renault 6 was threatening to fall apart and I had bought a horse trailer with no means of towing it. The Passat seemed to fit the bill. Although not quite up to towing (once we ground to a halt and had to walk the two horses up the hill), it was, paraphrasing Miss Jean Brodie, a very serviceable car for day to day use and had a quite elegant profile. It's only weak spot was the cam belt of its Peugeot diesel engine.

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