



## 51 The Transit helping us all in a time of crisis

In 2020, the year that Transit was due to mark its 55th birthday, any celebrations were curtailed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. So, in the UK Ford Pro's own 131 strong fleet of Transit demonstrator and press vans was re-deployed to 40 different organisations including ten NHS ambulance service trusts to assist with their work.



## 54 Up, up and away

A replica of the flying car that starred in the movie 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang' was built on a Ford Transit chassis.



## 57 The hottest Transit ever?

The Ford Pro Special Vehicles team gets some very strange requests, and to transform a Transit van into a mobile sauna has to be one of the most unusual. But, using the power from the E-Transit's battery, the project came to fruition with a wooden interior and even a timber effect wrap to the outside of the van.



## 52 Transit – a game changer

If you've ever played the Forza Horizon 4 video game, you'll know that one of the vehicles available to drive is the Transit Mk 1. The games producers took up to 1,000 photos of a van from Fords own heritage fleet to come up with a detailed virtual replica of the van, right down to the detail of the Transit's door hinge bolts.



## 53 Drifting away

Drifting is usually associated with high-powered saloons or sports cars, but the team at Transit Center Motorsport didn't want the van to be left out of the fun, so came up with the V8 Drift Bus. It could reportedly accelerate to 100km from a standing start in 4.5 seconds.



## 55 The Transit tug

In Denmark, the port authority at Aarhus has a novel use for its E-Transit van. Fitted with two additional electric motors, the vehicle assists in the 3,300 mooring operations a year by winching cargo ships into place when docking.



## 56 The gamers Transit

In 2021, Fords esports team, Team Fordzilla, converted a Transit into a gaming van with Xbox consoles, and adapted it for wheelchair access to be used when visiting children's hospices.



## 58 Cannes in a van

In 2013, a Ford Transit Custom van was converted into a mobile cinema and used to screen independent films at the Cannes Film Festival. The rear doors of the van opened to reveal a screen allowing those that were unable to gain access to formal screenings to view some of the more niche movie offerings.



## 59 Concept Camper

The Transit Custom is a popular van to transform into a camper, but this concept vehicle from German tuning company Loder1899 with its lift kit, crash bars, 18" wheels and huge tyres might just appeal.

## 60 A Monster Transit

In 2005, a UK Ford dealer converted a Transit into a full-size monster truck. The van was fitted with axles from a US military personnel carrier, and the automatic transmission from a London bus. It weighed in at 6.5 tonnes.