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Expansion Futura range with FHD2-135

VDL Bus & Coach has expanded the Futura range with a new length version, the FHD2-135. The advantage of this Futura, with a length of 13.5 metres, is the huge luggage space of over 12 m³ and the maximum seating arrangement of 63+1+1. This seating arrangement is unique on 2 axles. Besides the FHD2-135, VDL also offers the FMD2 in the 13.5 metre length.

VDL Futura FHD2-135
The Futura FHD2 is an exceptional coach for first-class travel, from day trips to multi-day trips abroad. This new Futura length version is also ideally suited for long-distance intercity transport. Due to a recent relaxation of regulatory restrictions, the maximum length of a two-axle vehicle is now 13.5 metres. Thanks to a sharp steering angle of 60 degrees, the FHD2-135 is very agile and easy to manoeuvre.

The specifications of the FMD2-135 are as follows:
- Total length: 13,475 mm
- Total width: 2,550 mm
- Total height: 3,700 mm
- Wheelbase: 7,430 mm
- Front overhang: 2,705 mm
- Rear overhang: 3,340 mm
- Interior headroom: 1,940 mm
- Turning circle: 23,480 mm

The FHD2-135 comes standard with a DAF MX-11 271 (271 kW – 370 hp) engine and is optionally available with a DAF MX-11 320 (320 kW – 440 hp) engine. For the coach operator the Futura FMD2 means Profit of Ownership. A low kerb weight, reduced fuel consumption, high passenger capacity, lots of luggage space and a low kilometre price make the Futura FHD1 an extremely profitable investment.

VDL Bus & Coach
The core activities of VDL Bus & Coach consist of the development, manufacturing, sales and after-sales of a wide range of buses, coaches and chassis modules, the conversion or extension of mini & midi buses and the purchase and sales of second-hand buses. Manufacturing takes place in the Netherlands and Belgium. VDL Bus & Coach places high value on quality, safety, durability, the environment, low fuel consumption, comfort and low maintenance costs. Sales of VDL Bus & Coach products take place through a worldwide network consisting of corporate-owned sales offices, importers and agents in more than 30 countries. This makes it possible to offer custom-made transport solutions. For after-sales and maintenance, the client can count on rapid, hassle-free assistance from VDL Bus & Coach employees in any of the many service locations. An
extensive distribution network ensures that spare parts and accessories are delivered to the requested destination as quickly as possible. VDL Bus & Coach is one of the largest bus producers in Europe.

VDL Groep
VDL Bus & Coach is part of VDL Groep. VDL Groep, with its head office in Eindhoven (The Netherlands), is an international industrial company focused on the development, production and sales of semi-finished products, buses & coaches and other finished products and the assembly of cars. Since the founding in 1953 this family-owned company has grown to include 90 operating companies, spread over 19 countries with almost 15,000 employees and an annual turnover of 3.2 billion euros in 2016. The strength of VDL Groep lies in the mutual cooperation between the companies.

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