

Volvo Engines Specifications

B4 Description В

- Used from 1947 to 1955 in the 444 Series
- 1.4 liters
- 4 cylinders in line
- Overhead valves
- 6 Volts electrical system
 Firing order 1-3-4-2 clockwise
 Oil capacity with filter:

General Specifications

Engine	Year	CC	Fuel System	HP (SAE)	@RPM	LB-ft (SAE)	@RPM	CR
B4b	1947-1953	1.414	Carter	44				
B4b	1954-1955	1.414	Zenith	44				

Tune-Up Specifications

Engine	Year	Idle RPM	Spark Plugs Type	Plug Gap (in.)	Dwell Angle (Deg)	Breaker Point Gap (in.)	Clearance	Warm Cranking Compression (PSI)
B4b	1947- 1955							

B14



Description

- Used from 1955 to 1957 in the 444 Sport and P1900
- 1.4 liters
- 4 cylinders in line
- Overhead valves
- B14A: dual SU H2 carburetors version
- 6 Volts electrical system
- Firing order 1-3-4-2 clockwise
- Oil capacity with filter: 3.75 liters (8 US pints)

General Specifications

Engine	Year	CC	Fuel System	HP (SAE)	@RPM	LB-ft (SAE)	@RPM	CR
B14A	1955-1957	1.414	2 x SU H2	70	5500	75.9	3000	7.8

Tune-Up Specifications

Engin e	Year	Idle RP M	Spark Plugs Type	Plug Gap (in.)	Dwell Angl e (Deg)	Breake r Point Gap (in.)	Timin g BTDC @ 1500 RPM	Valve Clearanc e Hot or Cold	Warm Cranking Compressio n (PSI)
B14A	1955 - 1957		Champio n Y4A/J6	0.028 - 0.032	/1 /	0.018- 0.022	20	0.020	142-156

B16



Description

- Used from 1957 to 1961 in the 444, 544 and 120 Series
- 1.6 liters
- 4 cylinders in line
- Overhead valves

- B16A: single carburetor, low compression version
- B16D: single carburetor, high compression version
- B16B: dual SU H4 carburetors version
- 6 Volts electrical system
- Firing order 1-3-4-2 clockwise
- Oil capacity with filter: 3.5 liters (7.5 US pints)

General Specifications

Engine	Year	CC	Fuel System	HP (SAE)	@RPM	LB-ft (SAE)	@RPM	CR
B16A	1957-1960	1582	Zenith 34VN	66	4500	85.4	2500	7.4
B16D	1957-1960	1582	Zenith 34VN	72	5500	86.1	2600	8.2
B16B	1957-1961	1582	2 x SU H4	85	5500	86.8	3500	8.2

Tune-Up Specifications

Engine	Year	Idle RPM	Spark Plugs Type	_	Dwell Angle (Deg)	PAINT	Timing BTDC @ 1500 RPM	Valve Clearance Hot or Cold	Warm Cranking Compression (PSI)
	1956- 1960		Bosch W175T3	0.028- 0.032	47-53	0.016- 0.020	21	0.016 Intake 0.018 Exhaust	135-150
B16D	1957- 1961	500	Bosch W225T3	0.028- 0.032	47-53	0.016- 0.020	21	0.020	142-156
B16B	1957- 1961	550	Bosch W225T3	0.028- 0.032	47-53	0.016- 0.020	21	0.020	142-156





Description

- Used from 1961 to 1968 in the 544, 120, 1800 and 140 Series
- Different design from its B16 predecessor, but very similar to the later B20 and most parts are interchangeable.

- 1.8 liters
- 4 cylinders in line
- Overhead valves
- B18A: single carburetor version
- B18D: dual SU HS6 carburetors, low compression version
- B18B: dual SU HS6 carburetors, high compression version
- 12 Volts electrical system with generator
- Firing order 1-3-4-2 Anti-clockwise
- Oil capacity with filter: 3.75 liters (8 US pints)

General Specifications

Engine	Year	CC	Fuel System	HP (SAE)	@RPM	LB-ft (SAE)	@RPM	CR
B18A	1962-1964	1778	Zenith 36VN	75	4500	101	2800	8.5
	1965-1968	1778	ZS 175-CD2-S	85	5000	108	3000	8.7
B18B	1961-1963	1778	2 x SU HS6	100	5500	108	4000	9.5
	1964-1966	1778	2 x SU HS6	108	5800	110	4000	10
	1967-1968	1778	2 x SU HS6	115	6000	112	4000	10
B18D	1961-1963	1778	2 x SU HS6	90	5000	105	3500	8.5
	1964-1966	1778	2 x SU HS6	95	5400	107	3800	8.7
	1967	1778	2 x SU HS6	100	5700	108	3500	8.7

Tune-Up Specifications

Engin e	Year	Idle RP M	Spark Plugs Type	Plug Gap (in.)	Dwell Angl e (Deg)	Breake r Point Gap (in.)	Timin g BTDC @ 1500 RPM	Valve Clearanc e Hot or Cold	Warm Cranking Compressio n (PSI)
B18A	1962 - 1964	500- 700	Bosch W175T1	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	フェフィ	0.016- 0.018	156-185
	1965 - 1968	600- 700	Bosch W175T1	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	フリーフィー	0.016- 0.018	156-185
B18B	1961 - 1963	600- 800	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	17-19	0.020- 0.022	170-200
	1964 - 1966	600- 800	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	17-19	0.020- 0.022	170-200
	1967 - 1968	600- 800	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	17-19	0.020- 0.022	170-200
B18D	1961	500-	Bosch	0.028	59-65	0.016-	22-24	0.016-	156-185

4	- 1963	700	W175T1	0.032		0.020		0.018	
	_		Bosch W175T1	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	1 / 1 0	0.016- 0.018	156-185
	1967		Bosch W175T1	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	1/_19	0.016- 0.018	156-185

B20



Volvo 1800E B20E engine shown

Description

- Used from 1969 to 1975 in the 120, 1800, 140 and 240 Series
- Same design as its B18 predecessor with a bigger bore, most parts are interchangeable
- 2.0 liters
- 4 cylinders in line
- Overhead valves
- B20A: single carburetor version
- B20B: dual carburetors version
- B20E: fuel injection, high compression version
- B20F: fuel injection, low compression version sold in the USA. From 1972 all cars sold in the USA had this engine.
- 12 Volts electrical system with alternator
- Firing order 1-3-4-2 Anti-clockwise
- Oil capacity with filter: 3.75 liters (8 US pints)

General Specifications

Engine	Year	CC	Fuel System	HP (SAE)	@RPM	LB-ft (SAE)	@RPM	CR
B20A	1969	1986	ZS 175-CD2-SE	90	4800	119	3000	8.7
	1970	1986	ZS 175-CD2-SE	90	4800	119	3000	8.7
	1971	1986	ZS 175-CD2-SE	90	4800	119	3000	8.7
B20B	1969	1986	2x175-CD2-SE	118	5800	123	3500	9.5
	1970	1986	2x175-CD2-SE	118	5800	123	3500	9.5

	1971 1986 2 x SU HIF6 2x175-CD2-SE	118	5800	123	3500	9.3
	1972 1986 2 x SU HIF6	97	5800	103	3500	8.7
	1973 1986 2 x SU HIF6	97	5800	103	3500	8.7
	1974 1986 2 x SU HIF6	97	5800	103	3500	8.7
B20E	1970 1986 Bosch D jet	130	6000	130	3500	10.5
	1971 1986 Bosch D jet	130	6000	130	3500	10.5
	1972 1986 Bosch D jet	130	6000	130	3500	10.5
	1973 1986 Bosch D jet	130	6000	130	3500	10.5
B20F	1972 1986 Bosch D jet	107	6000	113	3500	8.7
	1973 1986 Bosch D jet	112	6000	115	3500	8.7
	1974 1986 Bosch K jet	109	5500	115	2500	8.7
	1975 1986 Bosch K jet	98 94 w/ cat	6000	110 105 w/cat	3500	8.7

Tune-Up Specifications

Engine	Yea r	Idle RP M	Spark Plugs Type	Plug Gap (in.)	Dwell Angl e (Deg)	Breake r Point Gap (in.)	Timin g BTDC	Valve Clearanc e Hot or Cold (in.)	Warm Cranking Compressio n (PSI)
B20A	1971	700	Bosch W175T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	22 @ 1500 RPM	0.016- 0.018	156-185
B20B	1971	800	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	10 @ 700 RPM	0.020- 0.022	170-200
B20E	1971	900	Bosch W225T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	10 @ 750 RPM	0.016- 0.018	170-200
B20F	1973	900	Bosch W225T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	59-65	0.016- 0.020	10 @ 700 RPM	0.016- 0.018	156-185
	1975	900	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032			5 @ 700 RPM	0.016- 0.018	156-185

B30 Description

- Used from 1969 to 1975 in the 164 Series
- Same basic design as the B18 and B20 with 2 more pistons, many parts are interchangeable.
- 3.0 liters
- 6 cylinders in line
- Overhead valves
- B30A: dual carburetor version

- B30E: fuel injection high compression version
 B30F: fuel injection low compression version for USA market
- 12 Volts electrical system
- Firing order 1-5-3-6-2-4 clockwise
- Oil capacity with filter: 6 liters (12.6 US pints)

General Specifications

Engine	Year	CC	Fuel System	HP (SAE)	@RPM	LB-ft (SAE)	@RPM	CR
B30A	1969	2982	2x175-CD2-SE	145	5500	163	3000	9.3
	1970	2982	2x175-CD2-SE	145	5500	163	3000	9.3
	1971	2982	2x175-CD2-SE	145	5500	163	3000	9.3
	1972	2982	2x175-CD2-SE	145	5000	163	3000	9.3
B30A USA	1972	2982	2x175-CD2-SE	120	5000	142	3000	8.7
B30E	1972	2982	Bosch D jet	175	5800	178	2500	10
	1973	2982	Bosch D jet	160	5500	170	2500	10
	1974	2982	Bosch D jet	160	5500	170	2500	10
	1975	2982	Bosch D jet	160	5500	170	2500	10
B30F	1973	2982	Bosch D jet	138	5500	154	3500	8.7
	1974	2982	Bosch D jet	145	5500	160	2500	8.7
	1975	2982	Bosch D jet	130	5500	150	3500	8.7

Tune-Up Specifications

Engin e	Year	Idle RP M	Spark Plugs Type	Plug Gap (in.)	Dwell Angl e (Deg)	Breake r Point Gap (in.)	Timing BTDC @ RPM	Valve Clearanc e Cold	Warm Cranking Compressio n (PSI)
B30A	1969 - 1972	900	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	40	0.01	10@70 0	0.020- 0.022	142-170
B30A USA	1969 - 1972	900	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	42	0.01	10@70 0	0.020- 0.022	128-156
B30E	1972	900	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	42	0.01	10@70 0	0.020- 0.022	156-185
	1973 - 1975	900	Bosch W225T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	42	0.01		0.020- 0.022	128-156
B30F	1973 - 1975	900	Bosch W200T3 5	0.028 - 0.032	42	0.01	10@70 0	0.020- 0.022	128-156