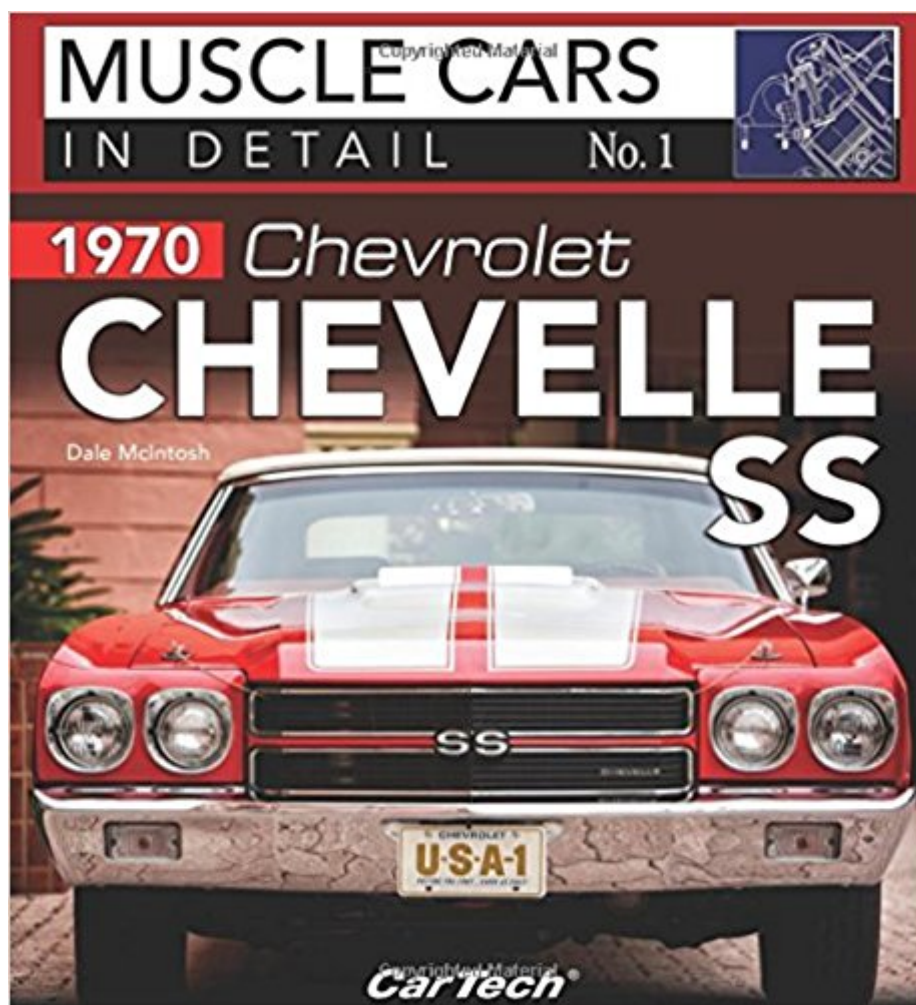


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The Chevrolet Chevelle undoubtedly has one of the largest followings of any of Detroit's muscle cars. It was a chassis for Everyman, offered in Malibu and Chevelle form, with four-door sedans, station wagons, two-door SS performance models, and even truck-style beds available. It was the mid-size Chevy chassis for all purposes. For many years, until 1970, it existed among mid-size offerings as a fairly capable machine. After the General Motors displacement ban ended for the 1970 model year, Chevrolet put new skin on the Chevelle and a new powerplant under the hood: the vaunted LS6 454 with 450 hp. Today, the 1970 Chevelle SS 454 is viewed as one of the most iconic automobiles ever produced on American soil. SS 396 and 454 Chevelles command a premium at auction and are one of the most coveted muscle cars ever produced. Each volume in the In Detail Series provides an introduction and historical overview, an explanation of the design and concepts involved in creating the car, a look at marketing and promotion, and an in-depth study of all hardware and available options, as well as an examination of where the car is on the market today. Also included are paint and option codes, VIN and build tag decoders, as well as production numbers.

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replaced Rochester Quadra-Jet of that engine with an 800 cfm four barrel on an aluminum intake, increased cam lift duration with solid lifters, higher compression (11.25:1), four bolt main block, and forged aluminum pistons. One suspects Chevrolet was head hunting the Chrysler Hemi with this engine. This engine was available with either the M22 four speed or the M40 turbo-hydraMatic transmissions. Chevelle authority Dale McIntosh has put together a compendium of data covering all aspects of the 1970 Chevelle SS models. The book starts with an overall view of Chevelle production history and then moves to all the facts and figures of the 1970 SS model which are legion in number. Anyone attempting to sort out this much data and present it in anything approaching an understandable form is to be commended. I think McIntosh has done it about as well as it can be done. None-the-less the text is so loaded with information this reader had a bit of difficulty keeping it all straight with a first read. Thankfully near the end of the book are some very useful and easy to read tables which help clarify and organize all the data. The book has numerous color photo illustrations which add to the quality and content, the cover is heavy paper, the binding appears durable, and the price is right for a book which will sell to a limited crowd of enthusiasts, collectors, and restorers. Did the 454/450 really compete with the Hemi? Quarter mile runs done by "Car Craft Magazine" and "Super Stock & Drag Illustrated" showed best time for the Road Runner/GTX hemi powered cars at 13.34 seconds and the LS6 at 13.12 seconds; a difference favoring the LS6 by .22 seconds.

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