

Stats & Facts

1963/1964 Cadillac Engine Colors

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Dark Cadillac Blue

- engine block
- cylinder heads
- cylinder head outlet pipe (front water pipe that holds thermostat)
- intake manifold & carb spring retaining tab (at left rear intake bolt)
- intake manifold bolts, nuts, washers
- distributor hold down bracket
- ignition wire holder (on right front carb base nut)
- valve covers
- valve lifter compartment cover (flat pan underneath intake)
- heater hose return pipe (underneath intake manifold)
- PCV pipe & large washer (underneath intake manifold)
- oil filler tube
- front engine cover (timing chain cover houses oil pump assembly)
- water pump
- fuel pump
- camshaft pulley
- crankshaft pulley
- top alternator slotted adjustment bar
- AC compressor to intake mounting bracket
- oil filter bracket assembly
- oil dipstick and tube
- harmonic balancer
- oil pan
- starter to engine bracket
- thermostat top housing

Black

- air breather housing
- fan mounting area on back side
- Oil filler tube cap (1964 Cadillacs shipped to California starting with Engine Unit # 057000 were orange)
- AC compressor & clutch
- power steering pump (sometimes blue if used with vented pulley)
- power steering pump bracket
- power steering pump pulley (sometimes blue but usually black)

Power Steering Pump NOTE:

(Most had solid pulleys but some had open, vented pulleys):

Vented Pump 1 - pulley blue, pump itself black, pump bracket black

Vented Pump 2 - pulley blue, pump itself blue, pump bracket black.

Natural or Cadmium or Gold/Silver Zinc, Etc.

- lower alternator bracket
- fan blades and fan clutch
- alternator
- gas filter housing (Top)
- ignition coil bracket
- transmission cooler lines
- gas line from fuel pump to filter
- gas line from filter to carb
- TV Kick down Rod used on Hydramatics
- transmission to engine vacuum line on Turbo Hydramatics
- Accelerator linkage assembly
- transmission linkage assembly
- oil pan trans line tabs/holders
- AC compressor front and rear mounting plates
- Exhaust Manifold – probably a silver/grey color?

Additional Notes:

- **Note: This list is primarily for engine parts and items that attach to engines.** The sheen on these engine parts are generally semi-gloss to gloss. I use the **Rustoleum Gloss Engine Paint (part# 248932)** for the Black Painted Engine parts such as air filter housing, oil filler cap, etc.
- **1963 Cadillac Cowl (firewall) Painted Black after Engine Unit # 053126**
- **Best Source for 1949-1976 Cadillac Blue Engine Paint:**
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