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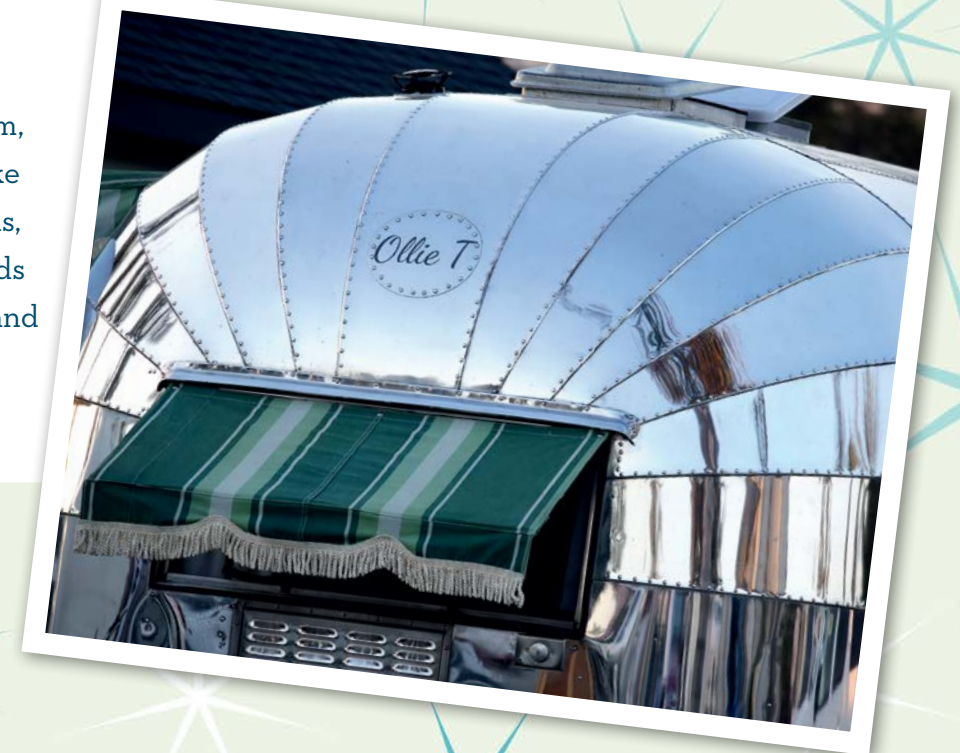
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CHAPTER 2

What Is a Vintage Camper Trailer?

The post-World War II construction boom of trailers utilized war surplus aluminum and airplane building techniques along with natural wood interiors. The walls were framed with wood, aluminum, or metal. Breadloaf-shaped trailers from the 1940s like Vagabonds and Westwoods, canned hams like Shastas, Aljos, and Terrys from the '50s, and many other brands being built through the early '60s captured the look and feel that we associate with a vintage camper trailer.



"Ollie T," owned by Michael and Aedan Haworth of Sebastopol, California. Photo by Hal Thoms Photography.

* Henslee Lodgette *

By the late 1960s the exterior styling of trailers became squarer. The warm amber wood-grain interiors were replaced with lighter imitation wood or pickled white paneling, and were eventually covered with wallpaper-type materials. Late '60s and early '70s colors like avocado green and harvest gold replaced the earlier aqua blues and pinks.

This little trailer has the quintessential “canned ham” shape. Jeff and Brenda Nelson of Corning, California, didn't have to travel far to show their very rare Henslee Lodgette (year unknown) at the Rally at the River at nearby Woodson Bridge State Recreation Area.



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