

There has been a lot of confusion surrounding the 1971 and 1972 Capri 292/295/295-M sleds so here is a brief tutorial on the models and their differences. Please keep in mind that these are general rules and there can be some variations:

- 1971 Capri 292 model 1B2J (L295 JLO)
These were the early '71 292 sleds with the JLO engine option. They had black painted front bumpers, no rear bumper, no gauge pod dash, no snow flap, all black seat, and leftover 69 pattern running board mats. Standard fiberglass hoods with the narrow opening.



- 1971 Capri 292 model 1B2H (193R Hirth)
The L295 was replaced with 292 Hirth and these are the most abundant of the '71 292s. The front bumper is usually chrome, still no rear bumper or mud flap, all black seat, and running board mats are normal black rubber. The hoods are found in both fiberglass and plastic.



- 1972 Capri 292 2B2H (193R Hirth)

These are often misidentified as 1971s because they were essentially leftover models with a few changes. They still had the '71 hood (both fiberglass and plastic) but used the gauge pod dash albeit without gauges. Chrome front and rear bumpers with a snow flap. Notable differences from '71 include a plastic engine cover, 2 position kill switch, blackout decal behind the hood scoops, and a reflective stripe below the front bumper. Rear reflectors were also added and most tail lights include a filler piece to make the lenses level with the ground.



- 1972 Capri 295 model 2B2H (193R Hirth)

There doesn't seem to be much difference between the two 2B2H models other than they ran out of '71 hoods and so began putting plastic '72 hoods on with no scoops. The decals say "Capri 295" and are reflective but they still had the reflective strip below the bumper. It is worth noting, however, that these are not normal '72 hoods as they were molded to accept the '71 style hinge.



- Capri 295-M model 2B2HM (193R Hirth)

The "295-M" represents the last production of the models with the 292 Hirth. Most feature decals that say "Capri 295-M" and lack the reflective strip under the bumper. Leftover '71 Grand Prix wedge seats are common and rear bumpers are usually not there. Most of these have very late production dates and I believe the "-M" addition to the model name and number was to denote "single cylinder" much as the 250 BSE engines were model "250M". Since 1973 featured a new 295 Capri with a twin cylinder BSE this would have been necessary to differentiate the two as they sat side by side in dealerships as current and leftover models.

