

catch me if you can

A RARE II

At a glance, you might think this is just a nice ’66 Nova SS. But it’s a rare one (well, a rare II actually…) because this is a genuine L79 Nova SS, one of just 3,547 GM made for 1966. What’s so special about an L79 Nova, you ask? Horsepower.

The L79 327 cubic inch V-8 was rated at 350 horsepower, which was one of only a few Chevy engines of the time period to surpass the one-horsepower-per-cubic-inch ratio. 11:1 compression, forged pistons, and an aluminum intake with Holley 4-barrel gave the Nova enough power to turn 15 second ¼ mile times on street tires. With a few minor tweaks, these cars were capable of running 13’s back in the ‘60’s. With a set of dog dish hubcaps, these cars were perhaps one of the most underrated sleepers of their day.

This Nova belongs to Tara Bush, who has owned Novas for over 30 years. This particular car has had several hot rodding mods done to it through the years, but Tara is slowly returning the car to its original configuration.

