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# Car Plunges Into Lake Conroe

*And then drives back out!!!*

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JB and his wife Cat in their Amphicar

CONROE, Texas - It's a car... It's a boat... It's an AMPHICAR! This unique amphibious vehicle, built in Germany during the 1960's, has found its way to Lake Conroe. The Amphicar has both land and water capabilities.

The Amphicar is a 4-passenger car/boat that can go 70 mph on land, and 7 mph in the water. It's a 43-horsepower water-cooled rear engine vehicle with both a land and a sea transmission. The front wheels are used for steering on both environments and the twin propellers in the rear are used for aquatic fun.

The owner, JB Edelstein, is a resident of Walden and he enjoys driving his quirky little blue car into the lake whenever the water is calm. JB has been known to offer rides to interested people and enjoys sharing the wealth of knowledge he has about Amphicars. As a former president of the International Amphicar Owners Club (IAOC), JB is ready for the crowd of curious onlookers inevitable questions.

Visit [www.amphicar.com](http://www.amphicar.com) to see more about Amphicars or find JB on Lake Conroe and ask him directly.

**NOTE:** The Amphicar Model 770 is an amphibious automobile launched at the 1961 New York Auto Show. It was designed by Hanns Trippel and manufactured in West Germany by the Quandt Group at Lübeck and at Berlin-Borsigwalde. It's a descendant of the Volkswagen Schwimmwagen.

With a total of 3,878 manufactured in a single generation, production ended in 1965, but it was

marketed in the United States from 1961-1967.

The Amphicar requires navigation lights and flag as mandated by the Coast Guard, and is required to comply with all boating regulations. The Amphicar is considered a unique member of the pleasure boating class.

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