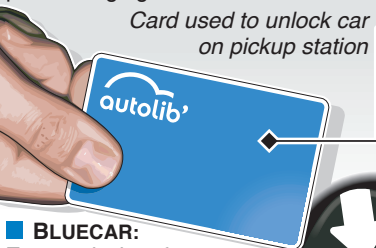


Paris launches electric car-sharing scheme

Building on the success of the city's bike-sharing programme, "Autolib" aims to cut traffic by discouraging private car ownership, as well as reducing noise and air pollution. After a two-month trial period the scheme is expected to go live in December

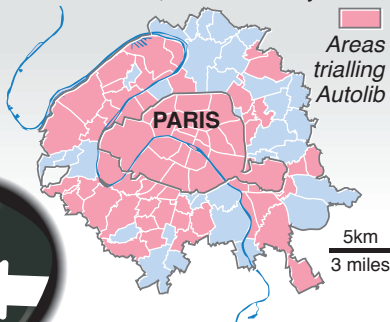
HIRE: Users can sign up for daily, weekly or annual membership with prices ranging from €10 to €144

Card used to unlock car on pickup station



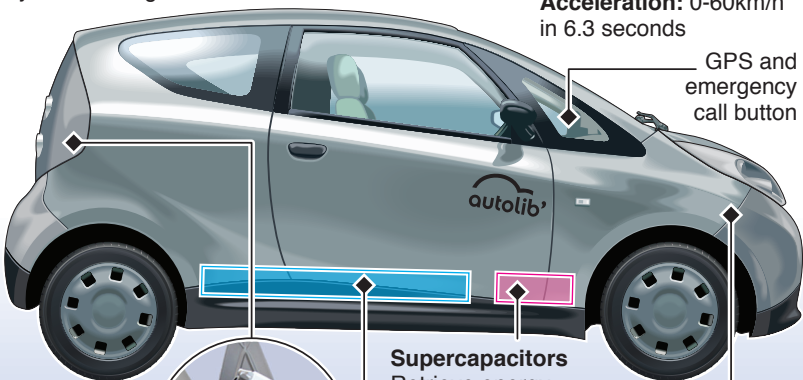
BLUECAR: Zero-emission, four-seater car supplied by entrepreneur **Vincent Bolloré** and manufactured by Italian designer **Pininfarina**

SCHEME: 66 vehicles available at 33 charging stations – rising to 3,000 cars and over 1,000 stations by 2013



Top speed: 130km/h

Acceleration: 0-60km/h in 6.3 seconds



Range: 250km – recharge will take around four hours



Supercapacitors

Retrieve energy generated when car brakes, boosting acceleration and range

Lithium-metal-polymer battery
Made from entirely recyclable materials. **Power rating:** 30 KWh

Electric motor
50 KW