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Piper PA-18 Super Cub

Mainz, Germany



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DESCRIPTION

The Piper PA-18 Super Cub represents one of the most beloved and capable light aircraft designs in general aviation history. Introduced in 1949, the Super Cub was developed from the Piper PA-11 Cub Special and carries a direct lineage back to the legendary J-3 Cub and the Taylor E-2 Cub of the 1930s. Over nearly four decades of production, more than 10,000 Super Cubs were built, securing the aircraft's place as one of the defining two-seat utility aircraft of the post-war era.

The Piper PA-18 Super Cub is especially admired for its simplicity, ruggedness, and remarkable short-field capability. It is not an aircraft built around speed or luxury; it is built around access, freedom, and honest flying. Whether used for backcountry flying, training, glider towing, banner towing, or private recreational use, the Super Cub has earned its reputation as a dependable aircraft that can operate from places where many conventional light aircraft would feel out of their element.

Powerplant, Systems & Technical Highlights

At the heart of the Piper PA-18 is the Lycoming O-320 engine, a four-cylinder, horizontally opposed piston engine producing approximately 150 hp. This engine gives the PA-18-150 the power and flexibility that made it one of the most desirable Super Cub configurations, especially for pilots who value short-field performance, climb capability, and dependable utility flying.

- Engine: Lycoming O-320
- Engine type: Four-cylinder, horizontally opposed piston engine
- Power output: Approx. 150 hp
- Maximum takeoff weight: Approx. 1,750 lb
- Fuel capacity: Approx. 36 gallons
- Normal range: Approx. 399 nautical miles

The technical appeal of the Piper PA-18 lies in its purity. With a strong but uncomplicated engine, fixed tailwheel landing gear, light airframe, and simple systems, it offers the kind of direct and reliable flying experience that has made the Super Cub a favorite among generations of pilots.

Exterior & Cockpit

The Piper PA-18 has one of the most recognizable silhouettes in light aviation: a compact high-wing airframe, fabric-covered structure, tandem seating, and a purposeful tailwheel stance. Its exterior communicates exactly what the aircraft was designed to do: operate simply, land short, take off confidently, and handle grass strips, remote fields, and unimproved landing areas with ease.

Inside, the cockpit of the Piper PA-18 is simple, narrow, and deeply connected to the aircraft's traditional flying character. The tandem seating arrangement places the pilot and passenger in line, creating an authentic classic-aircraft experience with excellent visibility and a strong sense of connection to the airframe.

This is not a cockpit designed to isolate the pilot from the act of flying. It is a cockpit built around feel, awareness, and skill. The Piper PA-18 rewards smooth control inputs, thoughtful energy management, and an appreciation for traditional stick-and-rudder flying.

The Perfect Airplane For

The Piper PA-18 is ideal for pilots and collectors seeking a classic, capable, and emotionally engaging aircraft with genuine utility value. It is especially well suited for recreational flying, backcountry-style operations, grass-strip flying, tailwheel training, glider towing, banner towing, and pilots who want a simple aircraft with a strong aviation heritage.

This aircraft is a strong match for those who value:

- A classic two-seat tailwheel aircraft
- High-wing visibility and short-field capability
- Simple systems and low-complexity operation
- Authentic stick-and-rudder flying
- A deeply respected aircraft with timeless collector appeal

The Piper PA-18 is not merely a light aircraft; it is one of the purest expressions of practical flying. Rugged, honest, charming, and capable, it remains a benchmark for pilots who believe that aviation is not only about transportation, but about freedom, skill, and the joy of flying itself.

SPECIFICATIONS

General Information

Model	**PA-18-150 landplane**

Engine & Power Systems

Engine	**1 × Lycoming O-320 air-cooled flat four engine, 150 hp (110 kW)**

Performance & Specifications

Cruise Speed	**115 mph (185 km/h, 100 kn) (75% power)**
Range	**460 mi (740 km, 400 nmi)**
Passengers	**1**

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