WESTERN RED

The Western Region's diesel-hydraulic 'Western' Class locomotives, after a few experimental colours and a dalliance with British Railways green, settled on a maroon livery akin to that used on main line carriage stock. They looked rather good in it, as these photographs by **DAVID CABLE** show.

TOP: No.D1024 Western Huntsman approaches Hemerdon Summit with a Penzance to Paddington express in August 1964.

MIDDLE: No.D1006 Western Stalwart heads west near lyybridge in September 1966 with a Paddington to Plymouth express. The circular maritime windscreen wiper is obvious, this being an experimental, short-lived, fitting used only on this locomotive and No.D1039.

BOTTOM: Climbing Hemerdon bank in August 1964 is No.D1039 Western King with a fourteen-coach Falmouth to Paddington express, augmented with extra coaches at Plymouth. Note the restaurant car close to the locomotive – not very helpful for the Falmouth passengers! Note the maritime windscreen wiper, better seen in the previous picture.





