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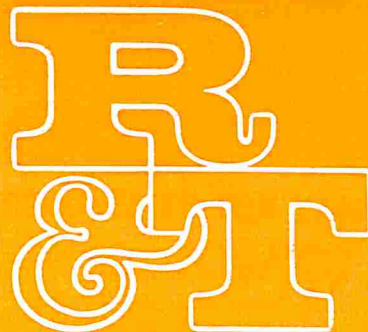
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The Pininfarina Corvair as shown at the
Paris Auto Show. Pininfarina calls this
prototype a "world novelty." Maybe so
—the interior is finished in natural wild
boar leather. Photo by Henry Manney.



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