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Innovation you can feel. Engineering you can trust.

With each passing year, the legend grows, more people join the Subaru faithful and more drivers discover that the name Subaru is synonymous with the spirit of innovation and an unwavering commitment to excellence. This approach has led to the creation of a line of vehicles that delivers an absolutely uncompromising driving experience – one that blends together high levels of performance, safety, versatility, environmental friendliness and sheer fun. All in perfect balance.



Forester 2.5X Limited Package







WHY FORESTER?

True SUV, true love.

First, picture what you've always wanted in an SUV. Then peruse what the all-new 2009 Subaru Forester offers and reflect on how well this smart vehicle stacks up. Underneath the sleek new exterior, there is capability to the core. A rigid chassis, low centre of gravity and heavy-duty, raised 4-wheel independent suspension for superior ride and handling. The assurance of Subaru symmetrical full-time All-Wheel Drive (AWD) for all weather conditions, all road conditions and loads of fun. Active and passive safety features that set a new standard in this class. Your choice of two powerful and efficient SUBARU BOXER engines. And a versatile interior designed to carry you, your passengers and your gear in higher levels of comfort and style. The 2009 Subaru Forester: All the SUV, none of the compromises.



Model range

Two tough models, one tough choice.

The new Subaru Forester is no ordinary SUV. It delivers all the versatility you would expect, but adds a level of handling, ease of use and performance normally only offered by sports sedans. This smart vehicle is available with your choice of two exceptional engines. An efficient 2.5L 4-cylinder SUBARU BOXER powers the Forester 2.5X. (This model also offers a surprisingly long list of standard features, while the multiple upgrade packages bring added creature comforts to satisfy more luxurious tastes.) Meanwhile, the Forester 2.5XT Limited boasts a high-performance turbocharged 2.5L 4-cylinder SUBARU BOXER and is fully loaded right off the line. Both models come equipped to tackle all your daily driving requirements – fun, safety and versatility.

Main: Forester 2.5XT Limited
Left: 10-way power adjustable driver's seat
Middle: Heated front seats
Right: 17-inch aluminum alloy wheels





THE CABIN

Raise your expectations.

Comfort, style and serenity. Normally, the combination of these three qualities is foreign to the SUV segment. But not in this case. The 2009 Subaru Forester offers a spacious and inviting interior designed to accommodate five adults comfortably and to please the most discriminating driver. Its clever design and available features – like the extra-large moonroof – add to the bright and airy atmosphere. The cabin is fitted with high-end materials such as premium upholstery (double-stitched fabric or optional perforated leather) and aluminum-style trim to create a warm, welcoming environment. The front seats incorporate memory foam and the rear seats recline on most models for even more comfort. Standard features on all Foresters include privacy glass and heated front seats. The message: The all-new Subaru Forester is more attuned to your desires than ever before.

Main: Forester 2.5X Limited Package
Top: Extra-large moonroof
Bottom: Reclining rear seats



VERSATILITY

Take life in stride.

The purpose of the SUV should be self-evident. After all, just look at the category name – Sport Utility Vehicle. In response to what you look for most in a true SUV, the 2009 Subaru Forester comes out swinging with a host of features designed to complement your active lifestyle, while making your time behind the wheel as stress-free as possible. The high seating position and generous glass area boost visibility. The low floor and wide door openings are designed for easy entrance and exit. The tailgate opens wide to make loading and unloading a snap. The 60/40-split rear seats fold flat to offer even more storage space and, with this same objective in mind, the roof rails come standard. Lastly, the cabin is filled with smart storage compartments designed to carry all of life's little necessities.



Seating configuration

When it comes to seating, flexibility and comfort are key considerations. The Subaru Forester answers the call with 60/40-split flat-folding rear seats, as well as a front passenger seat that also folds flat. All seats feature head restraints and high-quality materials for increased support and comfort.



Luggage area

The Subaru Forester has more useable storage space than ever before, courtesy of the new double wishbone rear suspension that doesn't encroach into the cabin. The expansive cargo area is big enough to carry four large suitcases or four tour-sized golf bags behind the rear seats. With the rear seats folded down, the cargo carrying capacity balloons to a maximum of 1934 litres (1784 litres on models equipped with a moonroof).



Multi-functional centre console

When you slide the front armrest back, you reveal a centre console designed for maximum flexibility. The console houses an auxiliary input jack and 12V power outlet for connecting portable audio players or other devices. The integrated cup holders, pocket and multi-media player tray can be reconfigured to allow for more storage space for larger items. Smart.



Rear seat cushion table

Tucked into the rear seat is a retractable armrest and a cushion table* that flips outwards to reveal illuminated cup holders and a storage tray.

*Available on 2.5X Limited Package, 2.5X Touring Package and 2.5XT Limited.

All-round storage

With an overhead console, centre tray, seat-back pocket and door compartments with bottle holders, the Subaru Forester can accommodate whatever you may need to bring along for the ride.



Overhead console

Centre tray

Seat back pocket

Door compartments with bottle holders

The nucleus of driving pleasure.

At Subaru, we are fuelled by a passion for excellence and obsessed with giving drivers an experience behind the wheel that blends superior reliability, stellar safety and sheer excitement. This fevered approach led us to the FIA World Rally Championship, the proving ground upon which we honed the SUBARU BOXER engine, Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD and our remarkable 4-wheel independent suspension system. From the snow-covered roads of Sweden to the crippling heat of Greece,

we learned our lessons well and transferred this knowledge into passenger vehicles with superior levels of agility, stability and traction. To this day, we continue to compete with two clear objectives in mind: Winning championships and bringing further advancements to each and every Subaru vehicle. These advancements are what help to make a Subaru, a Subaru – one of the safest, toughest and most enjoyable vehicles on the road.



SYMMETRICAL AWD

At Subaru, we have been building all-wheel drive vehicles since 1972. Currently, our entire vehicle line-up enjoys the benefits of this advanced approach to vehicle dynamics. The result of such foresight and commitment? The development and perfection of the Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD system.

In this layout, all drivetrain components – the engine, transmission, driveshaft, and front and rear differentials – are logically aligned close to the centre point of the vehicle.

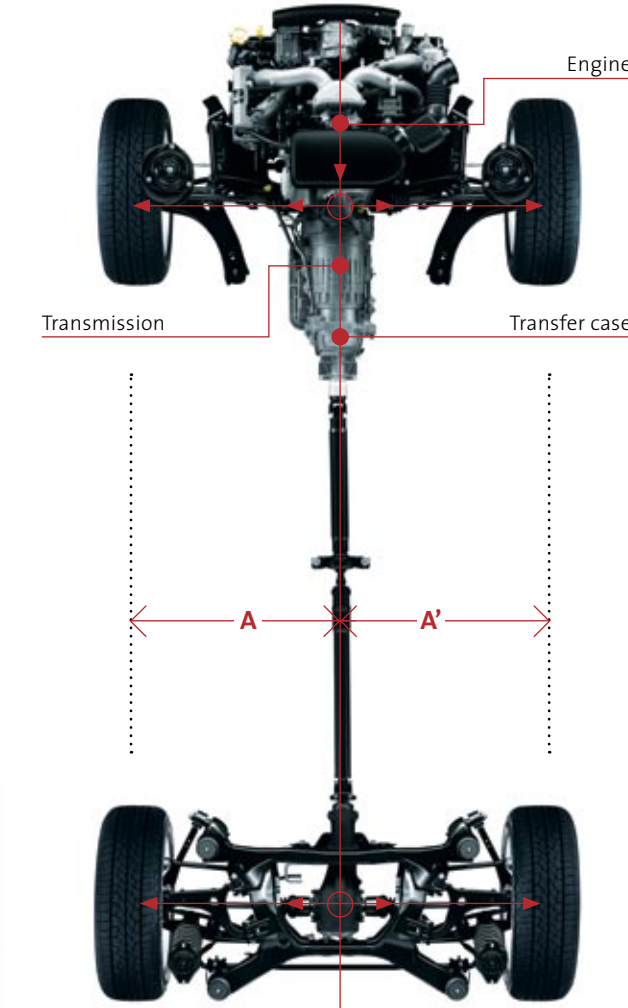
This gives every Subaru vehicle heightened stability and excellent weight distribution, front to rear and side to side. This unique system is bilaterally balanced, of a simple design, and has a lower centre of gravity compared to other AWD systems. In addition, if any wheel slips, the torque distribution between the front and rear is controlled automatically. This instills the confidence that only comes from driving an SUV famed for its inherent balance, stability and control in a variety of driving conditions.



SUBARU BOXER

In the fight to become the best vehicle in your class, it helps to have a boxer in your corner – particularly a SUBARU BOXER. This horizontally-opposed engine layout is renowned for its smoothness: The left bank of pistons counteracts the firing motion of the right bank, thereby balancing each other out and reduced engine vibration overall. This smooth operator

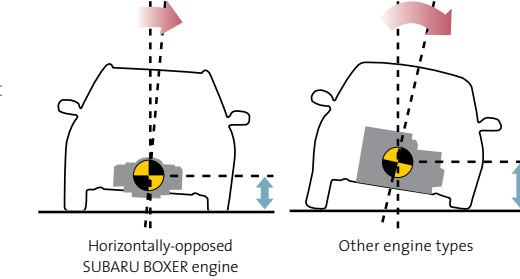
also sits low in the engine compartment, giving each Subaru vehicle a remarkably low centre of gravity. To further enhance durability, handling and directional stability, every SUBARU BOXER is constructed of lightweight, high-strength aluminum. Net result: A powerful and balanced feel at all speeds and a level of performance other SUVs struggle to match.



Three distinctive advantages

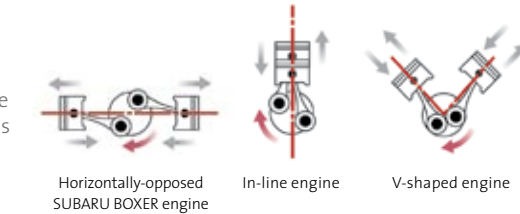
Lower centre of gravity

The average SUV suffers from an inherent design flaw – top heaviness, a characteristic that can lead to unstable handling when cornering. Unlike the average SUV, the Subaru Forester is built from the ground up to have an extremely low centre of gravity, the cornerstone of this design being the SUBARU BOXER engine, placed low in the chassis. This layout, in turn, leads to reduced body roll, along with improved handling and stability, without the need for an overly stiff suspension.



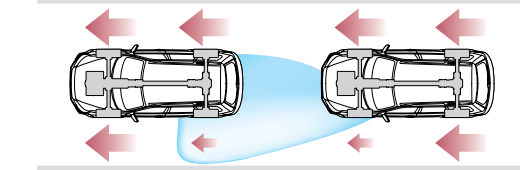
Reduced vibration

With its 180-degree, horizontally-opposed configuration, the SUBARU BOXER engine design cuts vibration dramatically by eliminating the inertia of opposing pistons as found in V-shaped or in-line engine configurations. The result of this innovative engine design is instant responsiveness throughout the rev range, unprecedented smoothness and greatly improved vehicle stability. In addition, less engine vibration also gives rise to a more peaceful and relaxing passenger cabin.



Increased grip

If your vehicle has four wheels, it makes sense that all four should play a role in keeping that vehicle planted on the road. But in front- and rear-wheel drive vehicles, two of the four wheels are essentially just passengers along for the ride. On the other hand, by transmitting power through all four wheels, vehicles equipped with Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD offer increased grip, stability, control and safety – regardless of road or weather conditions.



The DNA of a champion

The apple does not fall far from the tree. In this case, the tree is the Subaru rally car – tested and perfected in the toughest form of motorsport known to man or machine, the FIA World Rally Championship. Since 1990, Subaru has become synonymous with championship-winning speed, handling and reliability. To this day, every Subaru vehicle incorporates the lessons learned on torturous rally stages to create a more thrilling, more reliable and all-around safer driving experience.

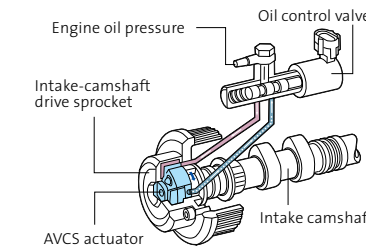




ENGINE

The pulse and the passion.

For over 40 years, the SUBARU BOXER horizontally-opposed engine has evolved and become renowned for its smooth performance, linear acceleration and superior responsiveness. The inherently sporty engine has been carefully honed over time to produce excellent low- and mid-range torque, as well as impressive fuel efficiency. The engines offered in the 2009 Subaru Forester deliver plenty of go-anywhere performance and a healthy dose of fun along the way. Placed low in the chassis, these engines also give this SUV an exceptionally low centre of gravity, which greatly improves handling.

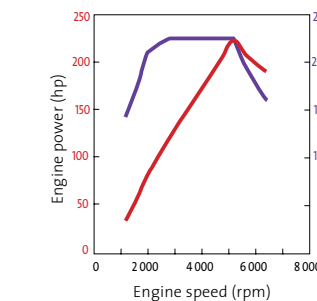


Subaru Active Valve Control System

The 2.5-litre turbocharged SUBARU BOXER in the Subaru Forester 2.5XT Limited features this eco-friendly system that varies and optimizes the timing of the intake valves under idle, leisurely driving conditions or hard acceleration. This system, precisely controlled by the engine-management computer, ensures that peak performance, outstanding fuel economy and low emissions are achieved at all times.

Subaru i-Active Valve Lift System

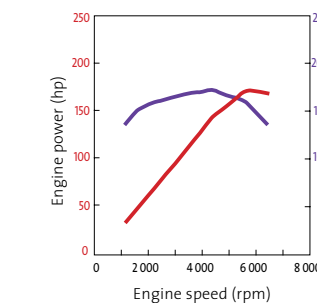
The 2.5-litre SUBARU BOXER engine powering the Subaru Forester 2.5X also features genuine green thinking: two-piece valve lifters that work separately at low rpm and together at high rpm. Incorporating a specially designed camshaft, this system creates better low-end torque, engine efficiency and top-end power, while allowing this SUV to gain better fuel economy and meet strict emissions standards.



SUBARU BOXER 2.5-litre turbocharged DOHC

Next-generation turbocharger technology leads to explosive power, surprising driveability and eye-opening fuel efficiency. With a quick-response turbocharger and a large and extremely efficient intercooler, this powerplant delivers torque throughout the rev range and some serious acceleration off the line. Performance is further aided by the Active Valve Control System, which creates a cleaner-burning engine with more useable power and heightened fuel economy.

Output: 224 hp @ 5200 rpm;
226 lb/ft of torque @ 2800 rpm



SUBARU BOXER 2.5-litre SOHC

This incredibly efficient and sporty engine features the classic smoothness of the SUBARU BOXER with superb low- and mid-range torque. The i-Active Valve Lift System helps to ensure that this normally-aspirated engine delivers excellent fuel economy and low emissions. Proof that an engine can be economical and exhilarating at the same time.

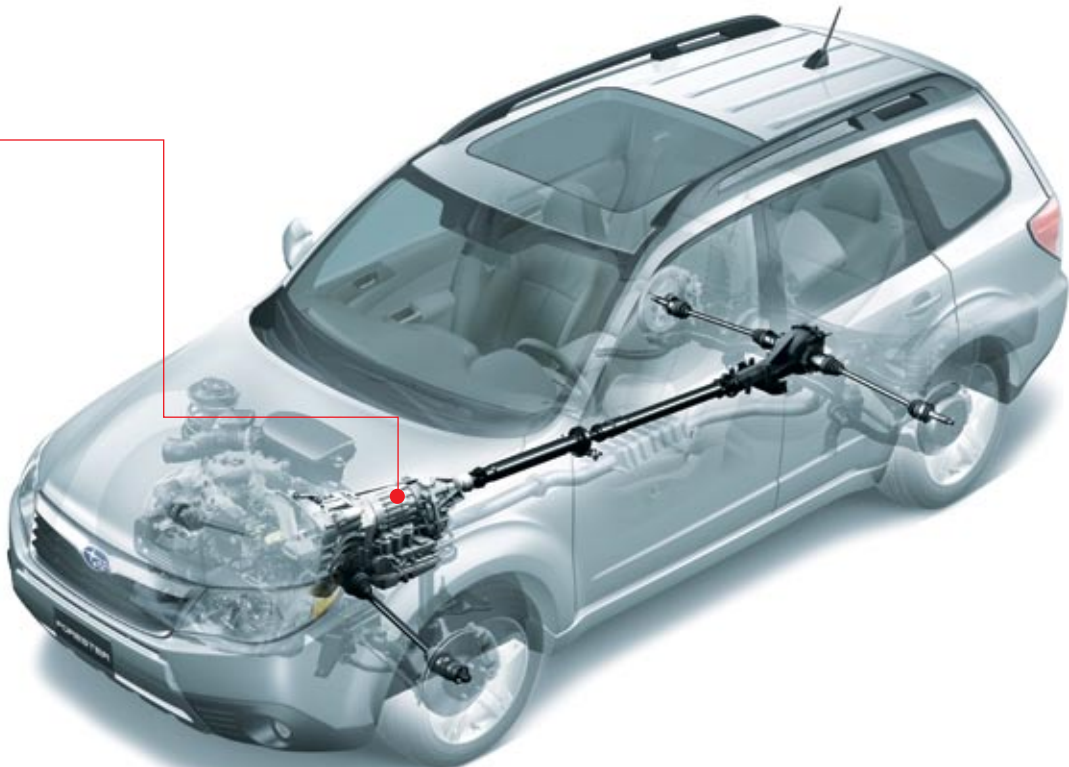
Output: 170 hp @ 6000 rpm;
170 lb/ft of torque @ 4400 rpm



TRANSMISSION

Your link with the road.

Subaru transmission technology has evolved greatly over the years, becoming extremely effective at transmitting power to all four wheels simultaneously through the Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD system. Whether your Subaru Forester comes equipped with the manual or automatic transmission, you can be assured of precise control, quick shifts and genuine driving pleasure.



5-speed Manual Transmission (SMT)

Manual transmission

The 5-speed manual transmission – in combination with Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD and the viscous-coupling limited-slip centre differential – provides certain power delivery and sure-footed grip under all conditions. This design maintains a 50/50 front/rear torque split distribution, giving the Forester maximum traction and a distinctly sporty edge over the competition. The standard Hill Holder system brings an added measure of reassurance when starting on an incline.



4-speed Electronic Direct Control Automatic Transmission with SPORTSHIFT™ (4EAT SS)

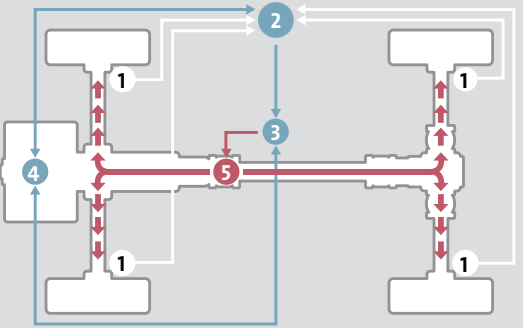
Automatic transmission

The 4-speed electronic direct control automatic transmission with SPORTSHIFT™ incorporates an advanced multi-plate transfer clutch centre differential for smooth and consistent acceleration, even under low-traction conditions. Under normal circumstances, this active torque split system maintains a 60/40 front/rear split for more predictable handling and moves towards a 50/50 split when conditions warrant or under hard acceleration. The SPORTSHIFT™ generates increased fun behind the wheel, allowing drivers to manually shift gears with the flick of a wrist. This feature gives drivers the ability to choose between three different drive modes – Economy, Sport and SPORTSHIFT™.



Multi-plate Transfer (MPT) AWD system

This system employs finely-tuned sensors and advanced processing technology to monitor driving conditions at all times. The data gathered enables the transfer clutch to deliver torque precisely to front and rear wheels, ensuring optimum levels of grip at all four corners.



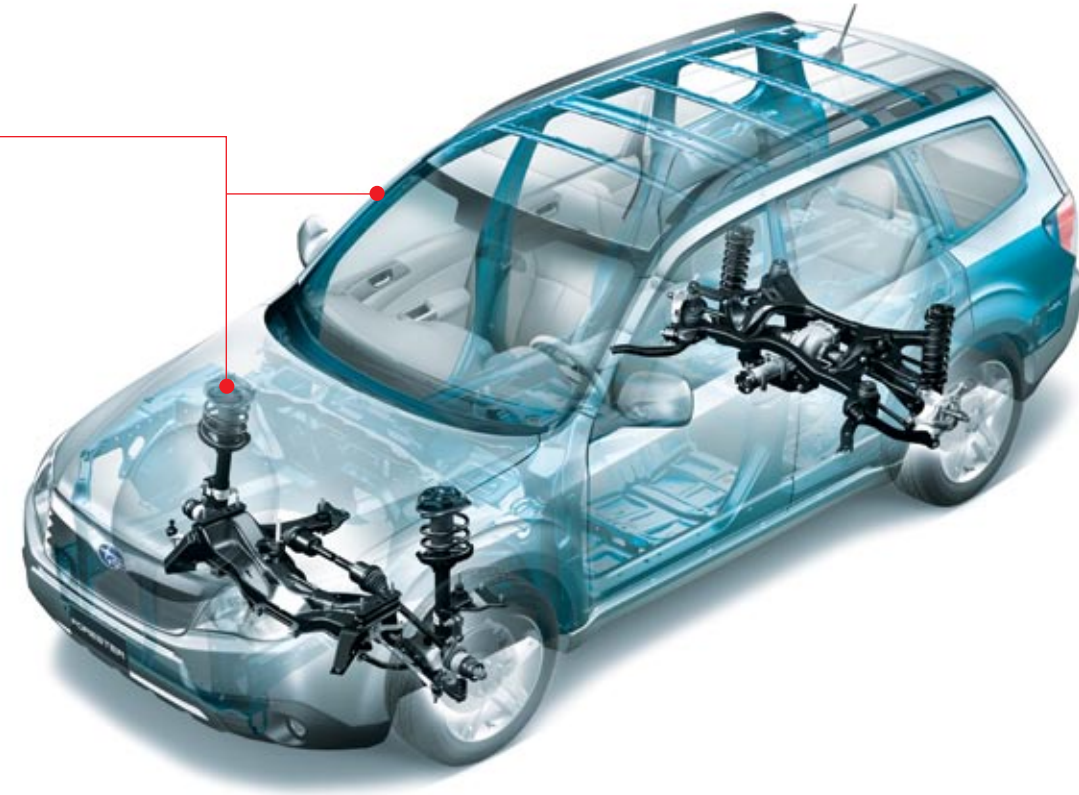
- 1. Wheel speed sensors
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- 4. Engine control unit
- 5. Transfer clutch control

← Image of the optimum torque distribution to the front and rear wheels.

HANDLING

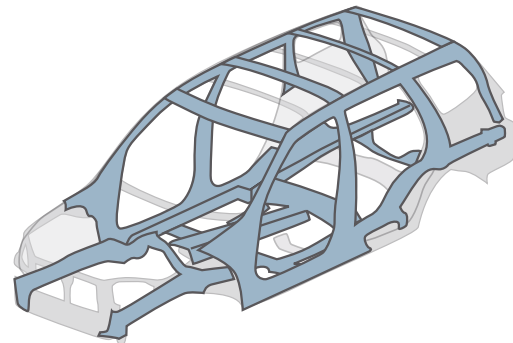
A quantum leap in driving dynamics.

The 2009 Subaru Forester may be a rugged SUV, but it corners like a sports sedan. The all-new chassis is incredibly rigid with further strengthening at key points. This platform, then, sets the stage for a fully independent 4-wheel heavy-duty raised suspension system that can be optimized for superior handling – on rough roads or smooth. The suspension movements have been made even more accurate to better absorb imperfections in the road and maintain a sharp, consistent line while cornering. This fine-tuning also helps reduce levels of road noise, vibration and harshness. Outstanding ride comfort and superior manoeuvrability are further augmented by Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD and standard Vehicle Dynamics Control system.



Lightweight components

To maximize the overall driveability provided by Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD, the body of the Subaru Forester has been kept light, utilizing a structure that eliminates the need for extra weight without compromising on strength or safety. Combined with a low centre of gravity drivetrain, this design gives the Forester unique advantages over other SUVs including superb cornering, remarkable agility and enhanced fuel efficiency.



Front suspension

The super-strong, rally-inspired front strut design has been honed to perfection on the new Subaru Forester. Increased rigidity and a wider tread provide greater stability when steering or cornering and deliver unparalleled performance overall. The minimum ground clearance of 220 mm is designed to overcome most obstacles in the road with ease.

Rear suspension

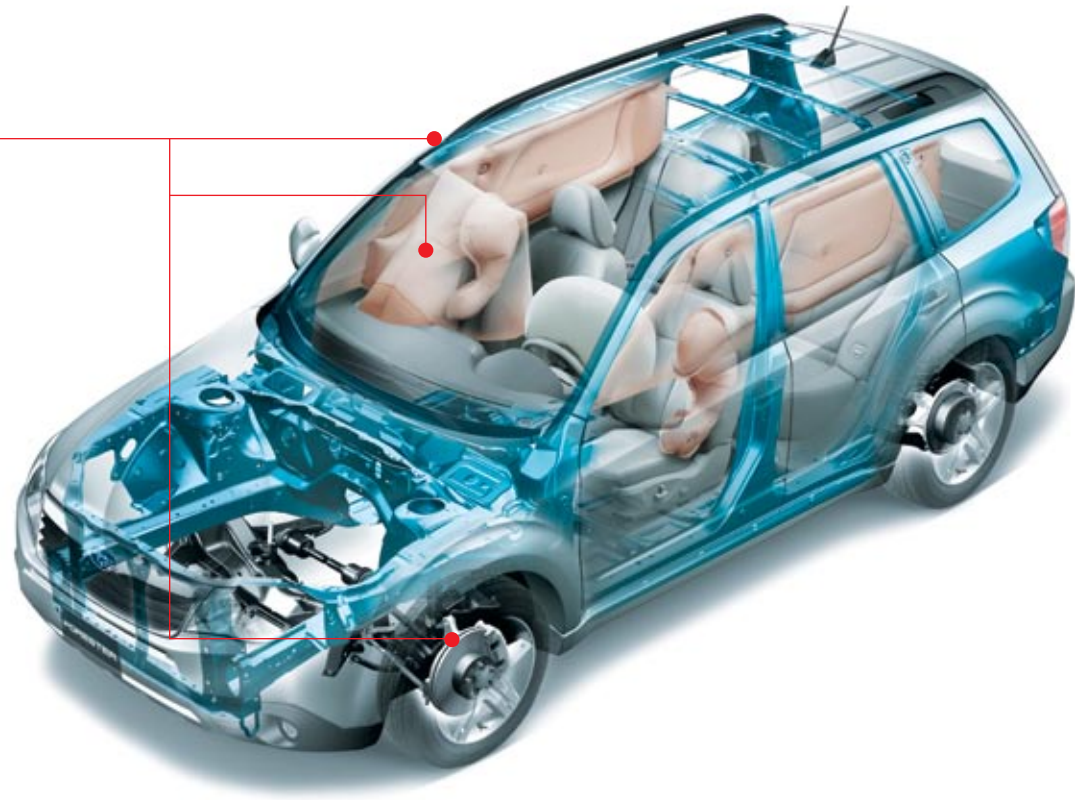
The brand new, low-friction double-wishbone rear suspension ensures the tires are always in contact with the surface of the road, thereby ensuring greater control and handling prowess. The long travel stroke and large sub-frame absorb the rough stuff, reducing vibration and creating a silky-smooth and quiet ride. As a bonus, this design also opens up more space in the luggage compartment.



SAFETY

Your safety is our priority.

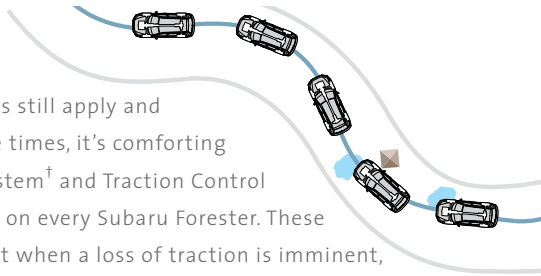
Some things should never be left to chance – especially the safety of you and your passengers. Every Subaru vehicle is designed to meet the very highest standards for crash worthiness. Active safety systems – such as Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD and the Vehicle Dynamics Control system – give the driver the tools needed to avoid an accident at all costs. In the event that an accident is unavoidable, passive safety systems like the Subaru ring-shaped reinforcement frame provide much-needed layers of protection. Net results: top-notch crash-test ratings* across the board for the Subaru Forester and a more comforting driving experience for you.



Vehicle Dynamics Control system

Even when driving a vehicle with Subaru symmetrical full-time AWD, the laws of physics still apply and the level of grip can be exceeded. In these rare times, it's comforting to know that the Vehicle Dynamics Control system[†] and Traction Control System are standing guard – and are standard on every Subaru Forester. These systems employ a network of sensors to detect when a loss of traction is imminent, then make precise adjustments – altering AWD torque split (4EAT SS models), applying brake pressure to individual wheels and controlling engine power output – to restore vehicle stability.

[†] The Subaru Vehicle Dynamics Control system may also be known as Electronic Stability Control.



Brakes

An effective braking system is central to an effective active safety strategy – and the 2009 Subaru Forester puts this strategy into motion. Standard disc brakes on all four corners for increased stopping power. Standard 4-wheel/4-sensor/4-channel ABS to precisely control brake pressure. Standard Electronic Brake-force Distribution to shorten braking distances when carrying a heavy load. Standard Brake Assist to create more braking force in panic situations. And the standard Hill Holder system for 5-speed manual models to prevent roll back when starting on an incline. (When it comes to active safety, nothing should be optional.)

All-around visibility

Active safety begins with visibility. In other words, you can't miss what you can't see. With its high seating position, carefully designed side pillars and generous glass area, the Subaru Forester provides excellent visibility to the front, the sides and the back of the vehicle. In fact, the glass area of the rear hatch is so large and unobstructed, the average-sized driver can spot a one-metre tall child as close as one metre behind the vehicle. (Something not considered in the design of other SUVs.)



Seatbelts, airbags, active head restraints and seat anchors

The Subaru Forester comes standard with a wealth of safety features designed to protect you and all your passengers in the event of an accident. Front seatbelts with pre-tensioners to hold you in place and load limiters to ease impact and guard against injury. Front, front-seat side and side curtain airbags. Front-seat active head restraints that automatically move forward in a rear-end collision to reduce shock to the head and neck. And the ISO-FIX/LATCH child seat anchor system with three-point seatbelts for the rear seats.



Ring-shaped reinforcement frame

The next generation of the Subaru ring-shaped reinforcement frame debuts in the 2009 Subaru Forester and it's stronger than ever. The essentials: a uniform, interconnected energy-absorbing safety cell comprised of the roof, door pillars, window pillars and floor. This cell envelops the entire passenger cabin, thereby helping to dissipate impact energy from all directions. In the event of a front impact, this advanced design also sees the main frame compress gradually and the engine slide under the passenger compartment.

2009 Forester not yet tested.

*Top Safety Pick for 2008 Forester. Ratings of "Good" are the highest rating awarded for 40-mph frontal offset, 31-mph side-impact and 20-mph rear-impact crash tests conducted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) (www.iihs.org). A "Good" rating obtained in all three crash tests and the availability of Electronic Stability Control (ESC) (Vehicle Dynamics Control) achieves a "Top Safety Pick".

*5-star front and side-impact ratings for 2008 Forester. U.S. Government star crash-test ratings are part of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA's) New Car Assessment Program (www.safercar.gov). A five-star crash-test rating is the highest government rating for a) Driver and right front seating positions in frontal crash tests and b) Front and rear seating positions in side-impact crash tests.

FEATURES

When bold design meets superior functionality, great things are bound to happen. Add in a healthy dose of desirable exterior features and you have a recipe for success – and the recipe for the class-leading Subaru Forester.



Not all features shown are standard on all models. See specifications for availability.



The truly complete driving experience is incomplete without a welcoming and driver-friendly interior. The Subaru Forester boasts numerous advanced interior features that are designed to enhance every moment behind the wheel.

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Heated door mirrors



Wiper de-icer



HID headlights (low beam), auto levelling



Fog lights



Cruise control (steering wheel integrated)



Information display (clock/temperature/fuel economy)



6CD premium audio system



Aluminum alloy sport pedals



Roof rails



Roof spoiler



Intermittent rear window wiper



Twin mufflers and exhaust



Ambient lighting: Map spotlights, illuminated console tray and illuminated cup holders



Automatic climate control



Auxiliary audio input jack (in armrest console)



Cargo area: Tray, cargo hooks, 12-volt power outlet and retractable cargo cover

LINEUP

Forester 2.5X

Horizontally-opposed, 4-cylinder, 2.5L SUBARU BOXER engine with i-Active Valve Lift System
170 horsepower and 170 lb-ft of torque
5-speed Manual Transmission (5MT) with Hill Holder system or optional 4-speed Electronic Direct Control Automatic Transmission with SPORTSHIFT™ (4EAT SS)
Subaru symmetrical full-time All-Wheel Drive
Vehicle Dynamics Control system and Traction Control System (TCS)
Anti-lock Braking System, Electronic Brake-force Distribution (EBD) and Brake Assist
Driver and front passenger front and side-impact airbags; side curtain airbags with rollover sensor
16" steel wheels with wheel covers; splash guards
Raised-profile roof rails
Privacy tinted glass
AM/FM/CD/MP3/WMA audio system with 4 speakers and auxiliary audio input
XM® and SIRIUS® Satellite Radio compatible†
Centre console multi-media player tray
Air conditioning with air filtration
Premium cloth upholstery; heated front seats



Fuel economy: 5MT (L/100km): City 10.5/Hwy 7.6 4EAT SS (L/100km): City 10.4/Hwy 7.8



Exterior colours available: Camellia Red Pearl, Newport Blue Pearl, Obsidian Black Pearl (shown), Sage Green Metallic, Satin White Pearl, Steel Silver Metallic.
Interior colour Platinum Grey or Onyx Black (shown) dependent on exterior colour.

Touring Package

Available for Forester 2.5X:
16" aluminum alloy wheels
Power sliding large glass moonroof
Multi-reflector halogen fog lights
Chrome door handles
Wiper de-icer
Rear seat cushion table (retractable) with integrated illuminated cup holders
Reclining rear seats
Cargo area tray



Exterior colours available: Camellia Red Pearl, Dark Grey Metallic, Newport Blue Pearl, Obsidian Black Pearl, Sage Green Metallic (shown), Satin White Pearl, Steel Silver Metallic.
Interior colour Platinum Grey (shown) or Onyx Black dependent on exterior colour.

Limited Package

Available for Forester 2.5X (4EAT SS) only:
Power sliding large glass moonroof
17" aluminum alloy wheels
Multi-reflector halogen fog lights
Xenon High Intensity Discharge (HID) headlights (low beam), auto levelling
Chrome door handles and stainless steel rear step pad; wiper de-icer
Additional audio features: 6CD premium audio system with 2 tweeters and SRS CS-Auto™ audio enhancement
Air conditioning with automatic climate control and air filtration
10-way power adjustable driver's seat
Reclining rear seats and rear seat cushion table (retractable) with integrated illuminated cup holders
Retractable cargo cover and cargo area tray
Perforated leather seat insert and woodgrain interior dash trim



Exterior colours available: Camellia Red Pearl, Dark Grey Metallic, Newport Blue Pearl (shown), Obsidian Black Pearl, Sage Green Metallic, Satin White Pearl, Steel Silver Metallic.
Interior colour Platinum Grey (shown) or Onyx Black dependent on exterior colour.

Forester 2.5XT Limited

Turbocharged and intercooled, horizontally-opposed, 4-cylinder, 2.5L SUBARU BOXER engine with Active Valve Control System
224 horsepower and 226 lb-ft of torque
4-speed Electronic Direct Control Automatic Transmission with SPORTSHIFT™ (4EAT SS)
Power sliding large glass moonroof
Xenon High Intensity Discharge (HID) headlights (low beam), auto levelling
Multi-reflector halogen fog lights
17" aluminum alloy wheels
Additional audio features: 6CD premium audio system with 2 tweeters and SRS CS-Auto™ audio enhancement
Rear roof-line spoiler
Air conditioning with automatic climate control and air filtration
10-way power adjustable driver's seat
Reclining rear seats and rear seat cushion table (retractable) with integrated illuminated cup holders
Retractable cargo cover and cargo area tray
Perforated leather seat insert and woodgrain interior dash trim



Fuel economy: 4EAT SS (L/100km): City 11.0/Hwy 8.4



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ACCESSORIES

An SUV can sometimes provide an exhilarating driving experience – such as in the case of the 2009 Subaru Forester – but it’s also a tool. A class-leading SUV must be able to mesh perfectly with your needs and your lifestyle. And in the interests of you meshing perfectly with your Forester, there is a full complement of genuine Subaru accessories at your disposal.

- Battery warmer
- Bike carriers (trailer hitch mounted and roof mounted)
- Block heater
- Body side moulding
- Cargo area nets (rear, side, seatback)
- Cargo area tray
- Cargo area cover (retractable)
- Compartment divider (dog guard)
- Crossbar set
- Fender arch moulding
- Front mesh grille
- Hood deflector
- Moonroof deflector
- Rearview mirror - auto-dim with compass and HomeLink®
- Rear bumper step pad (silver or black)
- Rear roof-line spoiler
- Remote engine starter kit (4EAT SS only)
- Roof cargo bin (several styles and sizes)
- Rubber floor mats
- Satellite radio kit (XM® or SIRIUS®)
- Security system upgrade - shock sensor
- Ski/snowboard carrier
- Subwoofer/amplifier
- Trailer hitch assembly
- Underguards (front and rear)
- Wheel lock set

Visit www.subaru.ca or your local Subaru Dealer for more accessory options.



Forester 2.5X Limited Package shown with crossbars, ski/snowboard carrier, body side moulding, fender arch moulding and hood deflector.



Bike carrier (roof mounted)



Front mesh grille and front underguard (each sold separately)



Rear underguard and rear bumper step pad (each sold separately)



Body side moulding



Cargo area net (rear)



Trailer hitch assembly

OWNER BENEFITS



Subaru Warranties

Every Subaru vehicle is designed and built to offer our customers the highest possible level of quality and reliability. We are proud of our vehicles and proud to stand behind them with a comprehensive warranty. For 2009 model year vehicles, the warranty on all Subaru vehicles consists of:

New Vehicle Limited Warranty (36 month/60,000 km) – Covers basic and major components for 36 months or 60,000 km.

Major Component Limited Warranty (60 month/100,000 km) – Extends coverage of major components (more than just powertrain) up to 60 months or 100,000 km.

Surface Corrosion Limited Warranty (36 month/60,000 km) – Covers surface corrosion to visible painted body panels for 36 months or 60,000 km.

Anti-Perforation Limited Warranty (60 month/unlimited km) – Covers perforation due to corrosion to body sheet metal panels for 60 months, regardless of kilometres.

Emission Control System Limited Warranty – Covers the majority of emissions components for 36 months or 60,000 km and the major parts of the emission control system for 96 months or 130,000 km.

Parts and Accessories Limited Warranty – Covers Subaru parts and accessories installed by the Dealer prior to retail delivery of the vehicle for 36 months or 60,000 km, and Subaru parts and accessories installed by the Dealer after the retail delivery of the vehicle for 12 months or 20,000 km from the date of the installation.

The above information is an overview of warranty coverage and is not a warranty statement. If you wish to see more details regarding Subaru warranties, please refer to your Subaru warranty booklet, contact your local Dealer or visit our Web site at subaru.ca.

Subaru C.A.R.E. (Customer Assistance for Roadside Emergencies)

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FORESTER | 2009 SPECIFICATIONS



ENGINE

Forester 2.5X (including packages)	
Type	2.5L Single Overhead Cam (SOHC), 16-valve, horizontally-opposed, 4-cylinder SUBARU BOXER engine, Electronic Throttle Control and i-Active Valve Lift System
Power	170 hp @ 6,000 rpm
Torque	170 lb-ft @ 4,400 rpm
Forester 2.5XT Limited	
Type	2.5L Dual Overhead Cam (DOHC), 16-valve, horizontally-opposed, 4-cylinder SUBARU BOXER engine with turbocharger and intercooler, Electronic Throttle Control and Active Valve Control System
Power	224 hp @ 5,200 rpm
Torque	226 lb-ft @ 2,800 rpm

All Forester engines meet Low Emission Vehicle (LEV2) standards.

MEASUREMENTS

(Measurements based on entry models)

	2.5X	2.5XT Limited
Curb weight: Manual transmission (kg)	1480	-
Curb weight: Automatic transmission (kg)	1500	1570
Towing capacity: Maximum weight (kg) with trailer brakes†	1087	1087
Length (mm)	4560	4560
Width (mm) with mirrors	2006	2006
Height (mm) with roof rails	1700	1700
Wheelbase (mm)	2615	2615
Minimum ground clearance (at curb weight) (mm)	220	225
Steering: Turning circle (curb-to-curb) (m)	10.5	10.5
Headroom: Front / rear (mm)	1057/1026	1015/ 958
Legroom: Front / rear (mm)	1095/ 965	1095/ 965
EPA passenger volume (L)	3047	2891
Cargo area: EPA volume (seats up) (L)	949	872
Cargo area: SAE volume (seats folded flat) (L)	1934	1784
Cargo area: Floor length (seats folded flat) (mm)	1570	1570
Cargo area: Floor length (seats up) (mm)	960	960
Cargo area: Height (mm)	860	792
Cargo area: Width between wheel wells (mm)	1073	1073

†Please review owner's manual for details.

FORESTER

TRANSMISSION AND DRIVETRAIN

Forester 2.5X (including packages)	
Standard	5-speed Manual Transmission (5MT) Hill Holder system Viscous-coupling limited-slip centre differential Open-type rear differential
Optional (Standard on Ltd Package)	4-speed Electronic Direct Control Automatic Transmission with SPORTSHIFT™ (4EAT SS) Electronically-controlled multi-plate transfer clutch Open-type rear differential
Forester 2.5XT Limited	
Standard	4-speed Electronic Direct Control Automatic Transmission with SPORTSHIFT™ (4EAT SS) Electronically-controlled multi-plate transfer clutch Open-type rear differential

All models are built on Subaru's symmetrical full-time All-Wheel Drive system.

FUEL ECONOMY

Forester 2.5X (including packages)		
5MT	City 10.5 / Hwy 7.6	(L/100km)
4EAT SS	City 10.4 / Hwy 7.8	(L/100km)
Recommended minimum octane: 87		
Forester 2.5XT Limited		
4EAT SS	City 11.0 / Hwy 8.4	(L/100km)
Recommended minimum octane: 91		

CHASSIS	
•	Brakes: Anti-lock Braking System with Electronic Brake-force Distribution (EBD)
•	Brake Assist
•	Brakes (front): Ventilated discs (296 x 24 mm), dual piston calipers
•	Brakes (rear): Solid discs (286 x 10 mm), single piston calipers
•	Structure: Advanced ring-shaped reinforcement frame
•	Structure: Dual, side-impact door beams (front and rear)
•	Suspension: 4-wheel fully-independent
•	Suspension (front): MacPherson strut with lower L-arm
•	Suspension (rear): Double wishbone type

SAFETY AND SECURITY	
•	Airbags (SRS): Driver dual-stage deployment with seat position sensor
•	Airbags (SRS): Front passenger dual-stage deployment with occupant detection system
•	Airbags (SRS): Front seat side-impact
•	Airbags (SRS): Side curtain with rollover sensor
•	Child safety: Rear door locking system
•	Child safety: Rear seats ISO-FIX/LATCH anchor system
•	Head restraints (front): Height adjustable, anti-whiplash
•	Head restraints (rear): Removable and adjustable
•	Seatbelts (front): 3-point height adjustable with pretensioners and load limiters (ELR)
•	Seatbelts (rear): 3-point, all seating positions (ALR/ELR)
•	Seatbelts (rear): Integrated outboard shoulder belt anchors
•	Security: Anti-theft system and engine immobilizer system
•	Security: Keyless entry system with panic alarm
•	Traction Control System (TCS)
•	Vehicle Dynamics Control system with lateral-g and yaw-rate sensor

EXTERIOR	
•	Body: Rocker panel and rear quarter black mouldings
△	Bumper (rear): Stainless steel step pad
•	Door mirrors: Power adjustable, foldable and heated (body colour)
△	Doors: Chrome handles
•	Exhaust: Twin mufflers, single outlet tips
△	Exhaust: Stainless steel cutters
△	Fog lights: Multi-reflector halogen with chrome trim ring
•	Headlights: Auto-off with ignition switch
•	Headlights: Contoured multi-reflector halogen (high beam)
•	Headlights: Contoured multi-reflector halogen (low beam)
△	Headlights: Contoured multi-reflector Xenon High Intensity Discharge (HID) (low beam) with auto levelizer
-	Hood: Functional hood scoop for intercooler air flow
△	Moonroof: Large glass, power and sliding with sunshade
•	Roof rack: Raised-profile roof rails
•	Splash guards
-	Spoiler: Roof-line
•	Tires: 215/65 R16 96H Bridgestone Dueler H/T687 M+S All-Season
△	Tires: 225/55 R17 95H Yokohama Geolander G95 M+S All-Season
•	Wheels: 16" x 6.5" steel with wheel covers, 6-spoke design
△	Wheels: 16" x 6.5" aluminum alloy, 5-spoke design
△	Wheels: 17" x 7" aluminum alloy, 5-spoke design
•	Windows: Privacy tinted glass (rear doors and cargo area)
△	Windshield: Wiper de-icer
•	Wipers (windshield): Fin shape design, variable intermittent with washer
•	Wiper (rear window): Intermittent and continuous mode with washer

- standard
- △ package
- not available

2.5X
2.5XT Limited

AUDIO AND TECHNOLOGY

- - AM/FM/CD/MP3/WMA
- △ • AM/FM/6CD/MP3/WMA Premium audio system
- • Auxiliary input for audio source (in armrest console)
- △ • SRS CS-Auto™ Audio Enhancement System
- • XM® Satellite Radio and SIRIUS® Satellite Radio compatible (dealer accessory required)
- • Radio Data System
- • Vehicle Speed Sensitive Volume
- • Text Display
- • Audio controls: Illuminated, steering wheel integrated
- • Speakers (4)
- △ • Tweeters (2)
- △ • Premium upgraded speakers

INSTRUMENTS

- • Gauges: 3D luminescent with metal trim
- • Gauges: Full needle sweep on start-up
- • Information display: Clock, ambient temperature, fuel economy
- • Instrument panel: Coolant temperature indicator
- • Instrument panel: Fuel gauge with low fuel warning light and fuel door location indicator
- • Odometer: Digital, dual trip modes

2.5X
2.5XT Limited

SEATING AND TRIM

- - Accents/trim: Titanium finish
- △ • Accents/trim: Woodgrain and titanium finish
- △ • Door (interior): Chrome handles
- • Floor mats: Carpet
- - Interior: Premium cloth upholstery
- △ • Interior: Perforated leather seat insert
- △ • Gear selector: Leather-wrapped
- • Parking brake: Soft-grip
- • Pedals: Aluminum alloy sport
- - Seat (driver's): 6-way manual adjustable
- △ • Seat (driver's): 10-way power adjustable with power lumbar support
- • Seat (front): Passenger, 4-way manual adjustable
- • Seats (front): Heated with four level settings
- • Seats (rear): 60/40-split, flat-folding
- △ • Seats (rear): Reclining
- • Seats (rear): Folding centre armrest
- △ • Steering wheel: Leather-wrapped

CARGO AREA

- △ • Cargo tray/protective mat
- • Light: Cargo area
- • Power outlet: 12V
- △ • Retractable cargo cover
- • Storage: Sub-floor tray
- • Utility hooks (8)

2.5X
2.5XT Limited

COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE

- • Armrest (front): Sliding
- • Climate control: Air conditioning with air filtration
- △ • Climate control: Automatic
- • Cruise control: Steering wheel integrated
- • Glove box: Lockable
- • Ignition key ring: Illuminated
- • Light: Front door courtesy light, interior dome with off delay and map spotlights
- • Power outlet: 12V in armrest console and in dash
- • Steering wheel: Tilt adjustable, telescopic
- • Storage (console): Multi-function with removable partition and integrated cup holders (2)
- • Storage: Door compartments with integrated cup holders
- • Storage: Illuminated tray, centre console
- • Storage: Overhead compartment
- △ • Storage: Driver seatback pocket
- • Storage: Passenger seatback pocket
- △ • Storage: Rear seat cushion table with integrated cup holders (2) and illumination
- • Switches (driver's side): Illuminated
- • Visor: Dual, with mirrors
- • Windows (power): Driver's window auto down

• standard
△ package
- not available

AVAILABLE PACKAGES

Touring Package

- 16" aluminum alloy wheels
- Power sliding, large glass moonroof
- Multi-reflector halogen fog lights
- Chrome door handles
- Stainless steel muffler cutters
- Wiper de-icer
- Rear seat cushion table with integrated cup holders
- Reclining rear seats
- Cargo area tray

Limited Package - 4EAT SS only

- 17" aluminum alloy wheels with Yokohama Geolandar All-Season tires
- Power sliding, large glass moonroof
- Multi-reflector halogen fog lights
- Xenon High Intensity Discharge (HID) headlights (low beam)
- Chrome door handles
- Stainless steel rear step pad and muffler cutters
- Wiper de-icer
- Air conditioning with automatic climate control and air filtration

- Additional audio features: 6CD Premium audio system with premium upgraded speakers, 2 tweeters and SRS CS-Auto™ audio enhancement
- Leather-wrapped gear selector and steering wheel
- 10-way power adjustable driver's seat with lumbar support; driver's seatback storage pocket
- Rear seat cushion table with integrated cup holders
- Reclining rear seats
- Retractable cargo cover and cargo area tray
- Perforated leather seat insert and woodgrain interior dash trim

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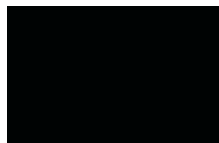
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Dark Grey Metallic



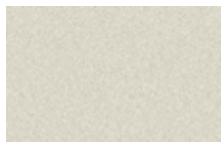
Newport Blue Pearl



Obsidian Black Pearl



Sage Green Metallic



Satin White Pearl



Steel Silver Metallic



Onyx Black Cloth



Platinum Grey Cloth



Onyx Black Perforated Leather



Platinum Grey Perforated Leather

	2.5X	Touring Package	Limited Package	2.5XT Limited
Camellia Red Pearl	GC	GC	GL	GL
Dark Grey Metallic	-	BC	BL	BL
Newport Blue Pearl	GC	GC	GL	GL
Obsidian Black Pearl	BC	BC	BL	BL
Sage Green Metallic	GC	GC	GL	-
Satin White Pearl	BC	BC	BL	BL
Steel Silver Metallic	BC	BC	BL	BL

BC Onyx Black Cloth GC Platinum Grey Cloth BL Onyx Black Perforated Leather
GL Platinum Grey Perforated Leather - Not available

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