



with 21st Century Power

A car this good only comes around twice in a lifetime. And second time round, the New Beetle is light years more than twice as good. Built into New Beetle are all the technological and material innovations that has made Volkswagen the world's most pioneering automaker. Everything about New Beetle is new.

A superbly designed chassis (VW's are famous for them) provides a solid ground-up start. Advanced new-age construction techniques ensure exceptional quality. Suspension, drive-train and gearbox systems are all state-of-the-art. Disc brakes, ABS, ESP, front and side airbags, and more, offer world-leading levels of safety. In fact, every inch of the new Bug is destined to be more classic than the old. Perhaps, most tellingly, under the hood. Instead of an air-cooled engine in the boot, you'll now find a potent, transversely mounted front wheel drive engine. An 85 kW, 2 litre engine that classifies it as the "Bug with more Bite".

All in all, much more power to the people who will drive this unique car.

Specifications

	2.0 Manual	2.0 Automatic
Engine		
Cylinders	4	4
Capacity (l/cm ³)	2.0/1984	2.0/1984
Output (kW @ r/min)	85 @ 5200	85 @ 5200
Torque (Nm @ r/min)	170 @ 2400	170 @ 2400
Transmission		
5-speed manual	X	-
4-speed automatic	-	X
Performance		
Acceleration in seconds (0-100 km/h)	10.9	12.9
Top speed (km/h)	185	182
Suspension		
Front axle:		
Independent suspension, McPherson Struts, coil springs	X	X
Anti-roll bar	X	X
Rear axle:		
Torsion beam, trailing arms, coil springs	X	X
Anti-roll bar	X	X
Brakes		
Front and rear discs	X	X
ABS	X	X
Traction control/electronic differential lock	X	X
Electronic stability programme (ESP)	X	X
Wheelrims/tyres		
6.5Jx16 alloy, 205/55 R16 W	X	X
Full size spare (alloy)	X	X
Dimensions/capacities		
Fuel tank (litres)	55	55
Luggage space (litres)	209	209
Luggage space - seats folded (litres)	527	527
Length (mm)	4081	4081
Width (mm)	1724	1724
Height (mm)	1498	1498
Wheelbase (mm)	2508	2508
Track - front (mm)	1508	1508
Track - rear (mm)	1494	1494
Turning circle (m)	10.9	10.9
Seats		
Height adjustable driver and passenger seat	X	X
Adjustable front and rear head restraints	X	X
Front centre armrest	X	X
Leather seats	O	O
Front seat heating	Δ	Δ
Windows		
Heated rear window	X	X
Tinted glass all round	X	X

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Windows cont'd		
Electric front windows	X	X
Safety and security		
Dual front airbags	X	X
Side airbags	X	X
Height adjustable front seat belts	X	X
High level brake light	X	X
Side impact bars	X	X
Alarm/immobiliser	X	X
Central locking with selective unlocking feature	X	X
Front door mounted warning lights	X	X
Lockable wheelbolts	X	X
Interior Features		
Ambient temperature display	X	X
Illuminated driver and co-driver vanity mirror	X	X
Interior reading lights	X	X
Time delay interior lights	X	X
Leather covered steering wheel	Δ	Δ
Leather gear knob, gearlever trim and handbrake grip	Δ	Δ
Power steering	X	X
Height/reach adjustable steering column	X	X
Air conditioner	X	X
Six speaker "Beetle design" Gamma radio/tape	X	X
Flower vase	X	X
Front cup holders	X	X
Tray in roof liner	X	X
Rear magazine pockets	X	X
Front and rear floor mats	X	X
Heatable electric remote mirrors	X	X
Digital clock	X	X
12V socket in front and in boot	X	X
Exterior Features		
Fully galvanised body	X	X
Colour coded bumpers, exterior mirror housings and side mouldings	X	X
Electric headlight height adjustment	X	X
Front fog lights	X	X
Roof mounted aerial	X	X
Two speed wiper with variable intermittent function	X	X
Guarantees		
3 year/120 000 km warranty (1 year Manufacturer Warranty and 2 year extended Dealer Warranty)	X	X
15 000 km service intervals	X	X
12 year anti-corrosion warranty	X	X

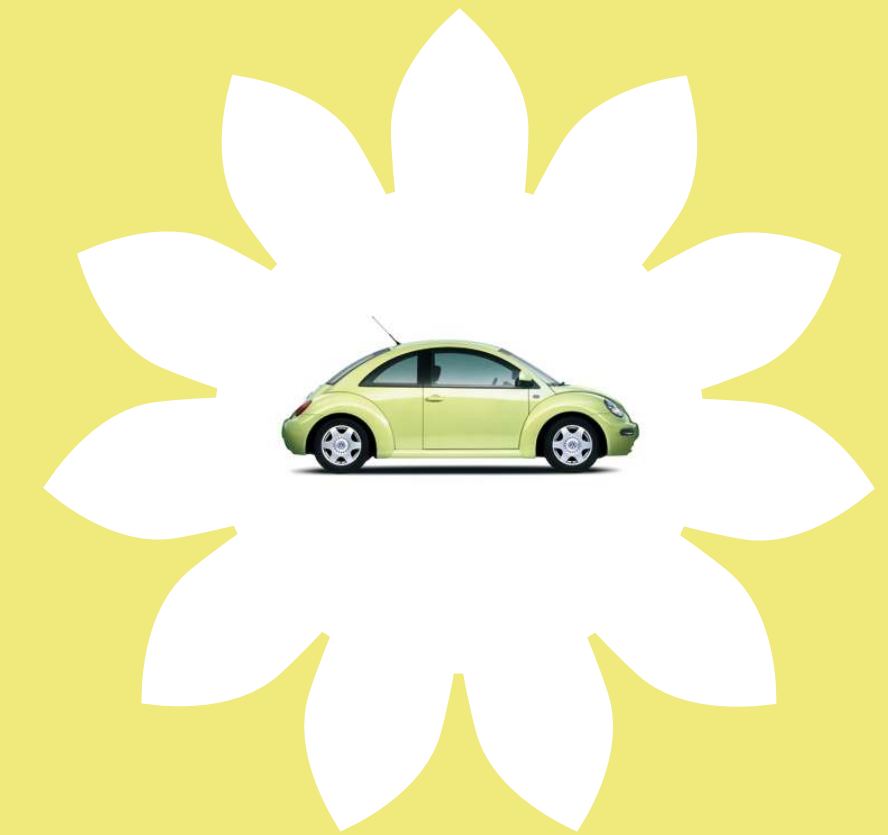
X = Standard

- = Not available

O = Optional

Δ = Standard with leather trim

New Beetle 





Stunning? Or just plain Gorgeous?

The New Beetle is a car that makes you smile. It's a show-stopper. A road-stopper, too. Wherever it appears, people stare. It is one of those handful of cars that transcends the metal it's made of. Up close and personal, people call it cute, sexy. Perhaps because it is the most human of cars. It was designed to be. Take a look at the exterior details. The headlights and tail lights are set directly in the body. Every piece is rounded, every surface smooth. Every functional part, from bumpers, to spoilers, to mirror housings, to door handles is colour coded, blended, in tune, integrated. Nothing breaks the sculptured flow. Like someone you know and love, it all feels right, from every angle. Perhaps that is the best way to describe how the New Beetle looks. Like friend. And one who brings sparkle to your life.

Bug with more Bite

The advanced fuel injected 2 litre OHC delivers 85 kW at 5200 rpm. A true Volkswagen performer, with a top speed of 185 km/h in the 5-speed manual, and 182 km/h in the 4-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission. The wide torque band provides strong mid-range performance and loads of power on demand. From a standstill, the 5-speed gearbox reaches 100 km/h in 10.9 seconds, with the 4-speed automatic clocking in at 12.9 seconds. The fuel economy per 100 km, at 120 km/h, stands at 8.9l for the 5-speed, and at 9.8l for the 4-speed automatic. Front suspension utilises a McPherson strut design with stabiliser bar and coil spring struts. In the rear there's an independent torsion beam axle with sway bar and trailing arms. Rack and pinion steering is power assisted. While a sophisticated brake system is attached to alloy wheels. All round, the drive is

It's probably the most emotional car in the world. But in matters of safety, New Beetle is incredibly rational. Inside New Beetle, apart from standard new-generation VW safety systems, you'll find features like ABS, electronic stability programme (ESP), traction control, driver and passenger airbags including side airbags, pretensioning seatbelts, collapsible steering column, cushioned surfaces throughout, energy absorbing crumple and deformation zones, crushable sun visors, recessed handles and control switches, and non-override door locks, to mention a few.

New Millennium Engineering

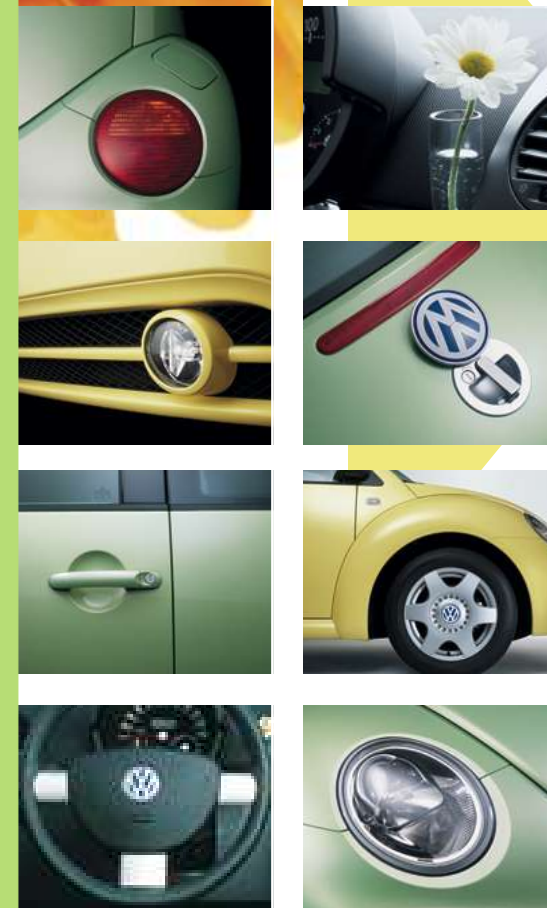
Underneath its curvaceous exterior, New Beetle is just as beautiful. It's built with all of Volkswagen's latest-generation engineering techniques, and to the highest quality standard. Based on the new Golf/Jetta platform, New Beetle sits squat and square on the road. Its solid, one-piece feel and appearance, whether you're inside or out, results from a highly sophisticated design and build process and a "nil-panel gap" tolerance in production. Techniques like laser welding give the body unrivalled torsional and body rigidity. This not only increases on-road solidity, but longevity, too. There is strength and harmony in every detail. For example, a fully galvanised body allows us to offer a 12 year warranty against corrosion and rust. While all metals, materials and fabrics are designed not just for functionality and safety, but sheer sensory pleasure too.

'Inside, just like out'

The view inside New Beetle is just as spectacular. It's both classic and cutting edge. Start with the swept back dashboard area, which disappears over your driving horizon toward the tinted windscreen. A single large round dial displays speed, revs, temperature and fuel gauge, illuminated at night by a soft indigo-blue glow. Splashes of aluminium and slate adorn the interior, steering wheel, gear shift, and handbrake. Then there's the playful extra - a vase waiting for the flower of your choice. Throughout the cabin, controls are illuminated in red. Comfort in New Beetle is in the premium car class. There's loads of head and legroom. Seats are body hugging and infinitely adjustable. While air conditioning, electronic window and mirror controls, an adjustable steering wheel and a stereo sound system are just some of the many luxury



Safety First, Last and In-between



All the Flower

Remember all the good things about the first ever people's car? The charm of it. The faithfulness of it. The humility and humanity of the world's best loved car?

Well, the spirit of Beetle is back. Reborn. And totally re-invented.

Like most great ideas, New Beetle began life as a dream. Starting out as a pure concept study in Volkswagen's California design studios, it quickly took on a life of its own. Its breathtaking good looks (cheeky as ever, with tons of sleek charm) thrilled car lovers and journalists alike when it made a sensational debut at the Detroit Motor Show. With more rave reviews in Geneva, Paris, Tokyo and Frankfurt, the New Beetle soon went into full production.

Thick with 21st Century engineering, loaded with style and class, and built to offer state-of-the-art driveability and performance, the New Beetle truly is the ultimate New Millennium Bug. But then, isn't that what you'd expect from the people who make peoples' cars?