

VOLVO V70

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UK overview, prices and specification 2005 model year S60, V70 and XC70

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UK SPECIFICATIONS

S60:

2005 specification improvements in **bold**:

(note: S60 R details to be released June 04)

S60 S	S60 Sport	S60 SE
ECC + AQS (Air Quality System)	S spec, plus:	S spec, plus:
16in Mimas alloys	Space Ball gearshift	Power driver seat (memory)
1 x CD, 100w audio system	Rear spoiler	6 x CD, Dolby Pro-Logic II with surround sound, 225w system
Leather covered steering wheel	Cruise control	Sports leather upholstery
Steering wheel controls for audio	Aluminium trim	Auto dimming rear view mirror
Alarm and immobiliser	17in Orpheus Alloys	Grocery bag holder
Electric windows front and rear	Nordborg Leather/	Rear waste bag/bottle holder
Sports chassis	Textile sports upholstery	Cruise control
Manganite trim	Water repellent mirror glass	Aluminium trim
DSTC (Dynamic Stability and Traction Control)	Auto dimming rear view mirror	17in Orestes alloys
Information centre	Grocery bag holder	Rain sensor – auto wipers
Front fog lights	Rear waste bag/bottle holder	Folding door mirrors
Illuminated vanity mirrors	Rain sensor – auto wipers	Water repellent mirror glass
	Folding door mirrors	Colour co-ordinated bumpers, side sills and mouldings with chrome inlays
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Value of added specification: £820	Value of added specification: £1,035	Value of added specification: £555

S60 Option packs:(new features for 2005 in **bold**)

Winter £350	Family £175	Sports Handling S, £2,275	Premium £1,800	Comms1 £2,650
Headlamp wash	Rear sun curtain	Sport, SE, £2,100	Electric folding rear headrests	Integrated phone
Luxury floor mats	Integrated child seat (rear armrest)	18in Nebula (BBS) split rim alloys	Electric passenger seat	RTI Navigation with Europe DVD
Heated front seats		Speed dependent steering		Volvo On Call
Bi-Xenon £850		FOUR-C active chassis	Walnut wood trim	Comms 2 £3,050
Luxury floor mats			Heated front seats	Integrated phone
Headlamp wash			Luxury floor mats	RTI Navigation with Europe DVD
Bi-Xenon lights			Bi-Xenon lights	Volvo On Call
Heated seats			Headlamp washers	TV Tuner
			Premium, 325w sound system	

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V70 S	V70 Sport	V70 SE
ECC + AQS (Air Quality System)	S spec, plus:	S spec, plus:
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Electric windows front and rear	Auto dimming rear view mirror	Aluminium trim
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Cruise control	Rear waste bag/bottle holder	Rain sensor – auto wipers
Roof rails (NCO)	Rain sensor – auto wipers	Folding door mirrors
Manganite trim	Folding door mirrors	Water repellent mirror glass
Front fog lights	Colour co-ordinated bumpers, side sills and mouldings	Colour co-ordinated bumpers, side sills and mouldings with chrome inlays
Illuminated vanity mirrors		
Front anti-roll bars (2.4, D5)		
Value of added specification: £200	Value of added specification: £770	Value of added specification: £330

V70 Option packs:(new features for 2005 in **bold**)

Winter £350	Family £300	Sports Handling S, £2,275	Premium £1,800	Comms1 £2,650
Headlamp wash	Integrated booster	Sport, SE, £2,100	Electric passenger seat	Integrated phone
Luxury floor mats	cushions (x 2)	18in Nebula (BBS)		RTI Navigation with
Heated front seats	Power child locks	with split rim alloys	Walnut wood trim	Europe DVD
	Folding table and	Speed dependent	Heated front seats	Volvo On Call
Bi-Xenon £850	dual cupholder in	steering	Luxury floor mats	
Luxury floor mats	rear armrest	FOUR-C active	Bi-Xenon lights	Comms 2 £3,050
Headlamp wash		chassis	Headlamp washers	Integrated phone
Bi-Xenon lights			Premium, 325w sound system	RTI Navigation with
Heated seats				Europe DVD
				Volvo On Call
				TV Tuner

XC70:2005 specification improvements in **bold**:**XC70 SE**

16in **Erinys** alloys
 ECC + AQS (Air Quality System)
 Leather upholstery
 Leather steering wheel
 6 x CD, 225w audio system with Dolby Pro-Logic II
 Illuminated vanity mirrors
 Auto dimming rear view mirror
 Aluminium trim
 Grocery bag holder
 Rear waste bag/bottle holder
 Electric driver's seat with memory
 Front fog lights
Folding door mirrors
Water repellent door mirror
Rain sensor – auto wipers

Value of added specification:
 £395

XC70 SE Lux

SE specification, plus:
 Electric passenger seat
 Headlamp washers
 Heated front seats
Premium 325w Sound system
with Dolby Pro-Logic II with surround sound
Walnut wood trim
Bi-Xenon headlamps with wash

Value of added specification:
 £975
 Value of deleted specification:
 £2650 (communications pack)

XC70 Option packs:

Winter £290	Bi-Xenon £850	Family £410	Comms 1 £2,650	Comms 2 £3,050
Headlamp washers	Winter pack, plus	Integrated booster	Integrated phone	Integrated phone
Heated front seats	Bi-Xenon head-	cushions (x 2)	RTI Navigation with	RTI Navigation with
	lamps	Power child locks	Europe DVD	Europe DVD
		Rear cupholders	Volvo On Call	Volvo On Call
		and foldable table		TV tuner
		40/20/40 rear seat		

2005 model year Prices (on the road):

(Note: R prices to be released June 04)

S60		S		Sport		SE	
2.0T	£19,995	(no change)	£21,845	(+£450)	£22,495	(+£287)	
2.5T	£22,178	(no change)	£24,028	(+£965)	£24,678	(+£650)	
T5	n/a	(n/a)	£26,113	(n/a)	£26,763	(+£450)	
D5	£21,263	(+£370)	£23,113	(+£820)	£23,763	(+£670)	
Bi-Fuel LPG	£21,193	(+£370)	n/a	n/a	£23,693	(+£920)	
Bi-Fuel CNG	£21,958	(+£370)	n/a	n/a	£24,458	(+£920)	

V70		S		Sport		SE	
2.4 (140 bhp)	£22,278	(no change)	£24,128	(+£450)	£24,778	(+£400)	
2.4 (170 bhp)	£23,678	(no change)	£25,528	(+£450)	£26,178	(+£400)	
2.0T	£24,043	(no change)	£25,893	(+£450)	£26,543	(+£400)	
2.5T	£25,878	(no change)	£27,728	(+£450)	£28,378	(+£700)	
2.5T AWD	£27,013	(no change)	£28,863	(+£450)	£29,513	(+£700)	
T5	n/a	(n/a)	£28,428	(n/a)	£30,278	(+£450)	
D5	£24,038	(no change)	£25,888	(+£450)	£26,538	(+£400)	
D5 AWD	£25,183	(+£5)	£27,033	(+£455)	£27,683	(+£405)	
Bi-Fuel LPG	£24,523	(no change)	n/a	n/a	£27,023	(+£625)	
Bi-Fuel CNG	£25,303	(no change)	n/a	n/a	£27,803	(+£625)	

XC70		SE		SE Lux	
2.5T manual	£29,463	(+£535)	£31,013	(-£415)	
2.5T G'tronic	£30,713	(+£535)	£32,263	(-£415)	
D5 manual	£27,933	(+£535)	£29,483	(-£415)	
D5 G'tronic	£29,183	(+£535)	£30,733	(-£415)	

UK MARKET OVERVIEW**S60**

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Diesel share: 57.7%

The S60 maintained its strong performance in the Compact Executive saloon sector in 2003 with 7,737 sales representing 2.1 per cent of that market. It was Volvo's second best selling model in the UK last year, representing 20 per cent of total sales.

The star performer in the S60 range was the D5. The Volvo 2.4-litre, five-cylinder, common-rail diesel accounted for 4,462 units, representing 57.7 per cent of S60 sales in 2003, an increase of 17.1 per cent over 2002.

A new Sport model joined the S60 range between the S and SE models in Spring 2004, and continues into the 2005 model year range.

The S60, launched in 2000, fits between the all-new S40 and S80 saloons and is produced in Volvo's factory in Ghent, Belgium.

V70

Total sales 2003: 8,089

Diesel share: 56.3%

The V70 was Volvo's best-selling model in 2003, representing 21 per cent of total sales. It also continued its reign as the number one, best selling estate in 2003 with 36.7 per cent of the large estate market with a clear margin over nearest rivals the Audi A6, Mercedes E-class, Saab 9-5 and BMW 5-series. The V70 was also the number one diesel large estate, with Volvo's D5 engine accounting for 56.3 per cent of V70 sales, or 4,555 cars – an increase of 14.6 per cent over 2002.

Earlier in 2004, a new Sport model joined the V70 range between the S and SE models, and production started of the D5 engine with a six-speed manual gearbox for the V70 AWD, which continues in the 2005 model year range.

The V70 was launched in 2000 and is produced at Volvo's Torslanda factory in Gothenburg, Sweden.

XC70

Total sales 2003: 1,164

Diesel share: 80.4%

Sales of the All-Wheel Drive XC70 flourished in 2003 and increased by 37.6 per cent to 1,164 units, ahead of its other key premium brand AWD rival, the Audi Allroad. Not surprisingly, with the introduction of Volvo's D5 engine alongside the petrol 2.5T option in 2003, the diesel share of XC70 sales shot up dramatically by 286 per cent to 936 cars, representing 80.4 per cent of total XC70 sales.

In total, XC70 sales accounted for three per cent of Volvo's sales in the UK last year, but if considered in addition to V70 sales, put Volvo in an even more dominant position in the estate car market.

In 2004, the D5 engine became available with a six-speed manual transmission, and this combination will continue, along with the Geartronic option, for 2005 models.

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Roof rails (NCO)	Rain sensor – auto wipers	Folding door mirrors
Manganite trim	Folding door mirrors	Water repellent mirror glass
Front fog lights	Colour co-ordinated bumpers, side sills and mouldings	Colour co-ordinated bumpers, side sills and mouldings with chrome inlays
Illuminated vanity mirrors		
Front anti-roll bars (2.4, D5)		
Value of added specification: £200	Value of added specification: £770	Value of added specification: £330

V70 Option packs:

(new features for 2005 in bold)

Winter	Family	Sports Handling	Premium	Comms1
£350	£300	S, £2,275	£1,800	£2,650
Headlamp wash	Integrated booster cushions (x 2)	Sport, SE, £2,100	Electric passenger seat	Integrated phone
Luxury floor mats	Power child locks	18in Nebula (BBS) with split rim alloys	Walnut wood trim	RTI Navigation with Europe DVD
Heated front seats	Folding table and dual cupholder in rear armrest	Speed dependent steering	Heated front seats	Volvo On Call
Bi-Xenon		FOUR-C active chassis	Luxury floor mats	
£850			Bi-Xenon lights	Comms 2
Luxury floor mats			Headlamp washers	£3,050
Headlamp wash			Premium, 325w sound system	Integrated phone
Bi-Xenon lights				RTI Navigation with Europe DVD
Heated seats				Volvo On Call
				TV Tuner

2005 model year Prices (on the road):

(Note: R prices to be released June 04)

V70	S		Sport		SE	
2.4 (140 bhp)	£22,278	(no change)	£24,128	(+£450)	£24,778	(+£400)
2.4 (170 bhp)	£23,678	(no change)	£25,528	(+£450)	£26,178	(+£400)
2.0T	£24,043	(no change)	£25,893	(+£450)	£26,543	(+£400)
2.5T	£25,878	(no change)	£27,728	(+£450)	£28,378	(+£700)
2.5T AWD	£27,013	(no change)	£28,863	(+£450)	£29,513	(+£700)
T5	n/a	(n/a)	£28,428	(n/a)	£30,278	(+£450)
D5	£24,038	(no change)	£25,888	(+£450)	£26,538	(+£400)
D5 AWD	£25,183	(+£5)	£27,033	(+£455)	£27,683	(+£405)
Bi-Fuel LPG	£24,523	(no change)	n/a	n/a	£27,023	(+£625)
Bi-Fuel CNG	£25,303	(no change)	n/a	n/a	£27,803	(+£625)

UK Market Overview**V70**

Total sales 2003: 8,089

Diesel share: 56.3%

The V70 was Volvo's best-selling model in 2003, representing 21 per cent of total sales. It also continued its reign as the number one, best selling estate in 2003 with 36.7 per cent of the large estate market with a clear margin over nearest rivals the Audi A6, Mercedes E-class, Saab 9-5 and BMW 5-series. The V70 was also the number one diesel large estate, with Volvo's D5 engine accounting for 56.3 per cent of V70 sales, or 4,555 cars – an increase of 14.6 per cent over 2002.

Earlier in 2004, a new Sport model joined the V70 range between the S and SE models, and production started of the D5 engine with a six-speed manual gearbox for the V70 AWD, which continues in the 2005 model year range.

The V70 was launched in 2000 and is produced at Volvo's Torslanda factory in Gothenburg, Sweden.

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UK prices and specification 2005 model year V70

V70 specifications (UK):

V70: 2005 specification improvements in **bold**:
(note: V70 R details to be released June 04)

V70 S

ECC + AQS (Air Quality System)
16in Mimas alloys
DSTC
1 x CD, 100w audio system
Leather covered steering wheel
Steering wheel controls for audio
Alarm and immobiliser
Electric windows front and rear
Information centre
Cruise control
Roof rails (NCO)
Manganite trim
Front fog lights
Illuminated vanity mirrors
Front anti-roll bars (2.4, D5)

Value of added specification:
£200

V70 Sport

S spec, plus:
Space Ball gearshift
Rear spoiler
Aluminium trim
17in **Orpheus** Alloys
Vestborg Leather/Textile
sports upholstery
Water repellent mirror glass
Auto dimming rear view mirror
Grocery bag holder
Rear waste bag/bottle holder
Rain sensor – auto wipers
Folding door mirrors
**Colour co-ordinated bumpers,
side sills and mouldings**

Value of added specification:
£770

V70 SE

S spec, plus:
Power driver seat (memory)
6 x CD, Dolby Pro-Logic II with sur-
round sound, 225w system
Sports leather upholstery
Auto dimming rear view mirror
Grocery bag holder
Rear waste bag/bottle holder
Aluminium trim
17in **Orestes** alloys
Rain sensor – auto wipers
Folding door mirrors
Water repellent mirror glass
**Colour co-ordinated bumpers,
side sills and mouldings with
chrome inlays**

Value of added specification:
£330

V70 Option packs (UK):

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Headlamp wash	Integrated booster	Sport, SE, £2,100	Electric passenger	Integrated phone
Luxury floor mats	cushions (x 2)	18in Nebula (BBS)	seat	RTI Navigation with
Heated front seats	Power child locks	with split rim alloys	Walnut wood trim	Europe DVD
	Folding table and	Speed dependent	Heated front seats	Volvo On Call
Bi-Xenon £850	dual cupholder in	steering	Luxury floor mats	
Luxury floor mats	rear armrest	FOUR-C active	Bi-Xenon lights	Comms 2 £3,050
Headlamp wash		chassis	Headlamp	Integrated phone
Bi-Xenon lights			washers	RTI Navigation with
Heated seats			Premium, 325w	Europe DVD
			sound system	Volvo On Call
				TV Tuner

V70 2005 model year prices-on the road (UK):

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ENGINES

Type
Configuration
Displacement, cm ³
Bore/Stroke (mm)
Engine cylinder block material
Cylinderhead material
Combustion chamber type
Compression ratio
Valves, no/cylinder
Camshafts
Engine management system
Ignition sequence
Engine idling speed
Fuel, rec. octane
Max output, kW(hk)/rpm.
Max torque, Nm/rpm.

TRANSMISSIONS

5-speed manual gearbox.
 5-speed adaptive automatic transmission, electronically controlled, with lock-up and winter mode selection.
 Geartronic available for B5244T5 and B5254T2.

Ratio	M56L		M56H	AW		M66W
	M58L	M56L2		55-50	55-51	
First	3.39	3.39	3.07	4.77	4.66	3.39
Second	1.91	1.91	1.77	3.00	3.03	1.91
Third	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.96	1.98	1.27
Fourth	0.87	0.87	0.87	1.32	1.34	0.95
Fifth	0.70	0.65	0.70	1.02	1.02	0.78
Sixth	—	—	—	—	—	0.65
Reverse	3.30	3.30	2.99	3.23	5.11	3.20

Manual gearbox/final drive

Automatic transmission/final drive

PERFORMANCE

Gearbox
Acceleration, 0–100 km/h (sec)
Top speed, km/h
Fuel consumption l/100 km (EU 1999/100, combined) (Figures within brackets valid for lower inertia class)
CO ₂ g/km (Figures within brackets valid for lower inertia class)

* Electronically controlled top speed, values within brackets with the option "no speed limitation".

CHASSIS

Suspension	front	Spring-strut, lower link, anti-roll bar
	rear	Individual Multi-link suspension, anti-roll bar
Steering	Rack and pinion, power assisted	
Turning circle	10.9 m (11.9 m with 16" or 17" wheels)	
Turns of steering wheel lock to lock	3.0 (2.8 with 16" or 17" wheels)	
Braking system	ABS system with EBD. Ventilated discs front, discs rear	
Brake disc diameter (front/rear)	286/288 (15"), 305/288 (16") 316/288 (T5, EU markets only)	
STC	Option (standard certain markets), front wheel drive only	
DSTC	Option	

B5244S2

In-line 5 cyl., naturally aspirated

Transverse, front wheel drive

2435

83/90

Aluminium

Aluminium

Pent-roof

10.3

4

2

Microprocessor controlled fuel and ignition system with self diagnostics

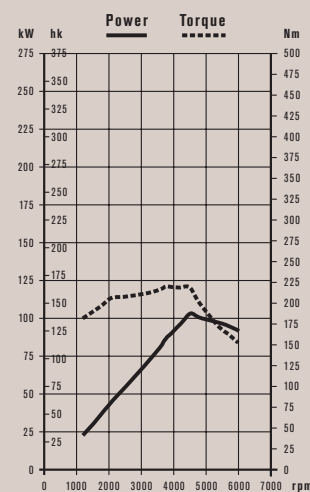
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750

91–98 RON

103 (140)/4500

220/3300



M56L/4.00

AW55-51/2.44

Manual	Automatic
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10.5	11.4
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205	200
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9.0 (8.8)	9.7 (9.5)
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214 (211)	231 (226)
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B5244S

In-line 5 cyl., naturally aspirated

Transverse, front wheel drive

2435

83/90

Aluminium

Aluminium

Pent-roof

10.3

4

2

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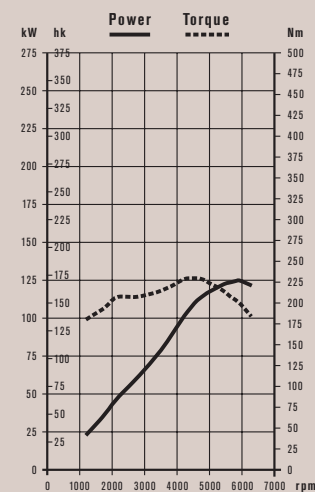
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750

91–98 RON

125 (170)/6000

225/4500



M56H/4.25

AW55-51/2.44

Manual	Automatic
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9.0	9.9
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210* (220)	210* (215)
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9.2 (9.0)	9.8 (9.6)
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220 (216)	234 (228)
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B5204T5
In-line 5-cyl., light pressure turbo
Transverse, front wheel drive
1984
81/77
Aluminium
Aluminium
Pent-roof
9.5
4
2

B5254T2
In-line 5-cyl., light pressure turbo
Transverse, FWD/AWD
2521
83/93,2
Aluminium
Aluminium
Pent-roof
9.0
4
2

B5244T5
In-line 5-cyl., high pressure turbo
Transverse, front wheel drive
2401
81/93,2
Aluminium
Aluminium
Pent-roof
8.5
4
2

D5244T
In-line 5-cyl. turbo diesel
Transverse, front wheel drive
2401
81/93,2
Aluminium
Aluminium
-
18.0
4
2

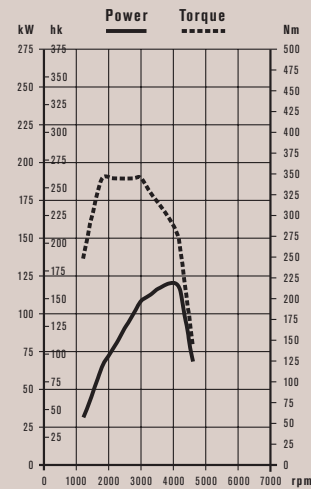
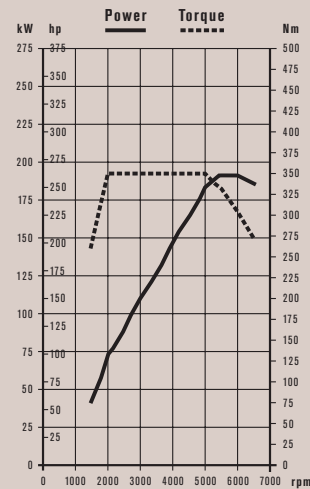
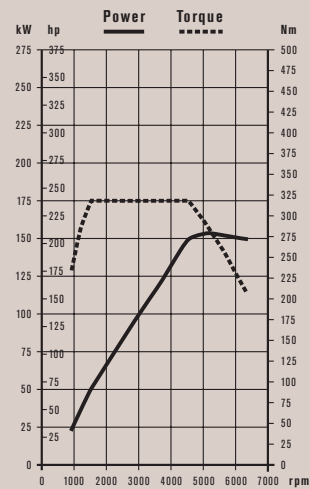
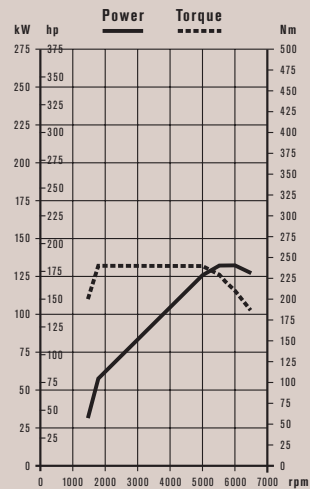
Microprocessor controlled fuel and ignition system with self diagnostics

1-2-4-5-3
670
91-98 RON
132 (180)/5500
240/1850-5000

1-2-4-5-3
670
91-98 RON
154 (210)/5000
320/1500-4500

1-2-4-5-3
670
91-98 RON
191(260)/5500
350/2100-5000

Integr. fuel/ignition system
1-2-4-5-3
700
Diesel Min Cetane 48
120 (163)/4000
340/1750-3000



M56L/4.25
AW55-51/2.65
Manual Automatic
9.0 9.5
210* (220) 210
9.4 (9.2) 10.4 (10.2)
223 (219) 247 (243)

M56L/4.00 (AWD M58L/4.00)
AW55-51/2.27
Manual Automatic
7.4/7.6 ⁴ 7.8/8.0 ⁴
210* (230)/210 ⁴ 210* (225)/210 ⁴
9.2 (9.2)/9.9 (10.2) ⁴ 10.1 (10.4)/10.6 (10.8) ⁴
219 (219)/237 (245) ⁴ 241 (248)/255 (259) ⁴

M66W/4.00
AW55-51/2.44
Manual Automatic
6.8 7.2
250* 245
9.5 (9.3) 10.0 (10.6)
226 (221) 239 (254)

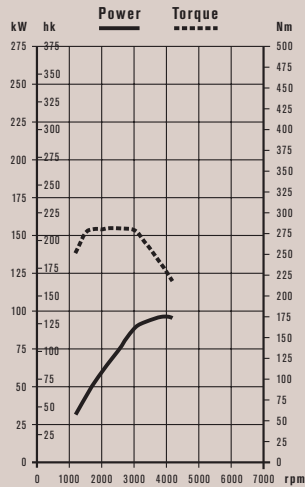
M56L2/3.77
AW55-50/2.44
Manual Automatic
9.8 10.2
210 210
6.5 (6.5) 7.9 (7.9)
171 (171) 209 (209)

MEASUREMENTS AND VOLUMES

Exterior measurements (cm)	V70	Petrol tank, l	70/29 ³	Load length	108
Length	471	CNG tank, Nm ³	23	Load length with rear seat folded down	185
Width	180	LPG tank, l	50	Load length with rear seat and front passenger seat folded down	282
Height (without rails)	(147) 149/(149) 151 ⁴	Max. trailer weight, kg	1600 ² /1800	Height of luggage compartment	81
Wheelbase	276	Drag coefficient	0.30/0.33 ⁴	Width of luggage compartment between wheel arches	113
Track, front	156 ¹ /155	Interior measurements (cm)			
Track, rear	156 ¹ /155	Headroom with sunroof (front/rear)	100/99		
Ground clearance	13/12 ³ /15 ⁴	Headroom without sunroof (front/rear)	100/99		
Load height	61/64 ⁴	Passenger compartment width at shoulder height (front/rear)	143/142		
Weights/Miscellaneous		Luggage volume, litres (DIN V211/V212/V214)	485/745/1641		
Weight/kg min.	1485/1611 ⁴				
CNG/LPG	1569/1550				

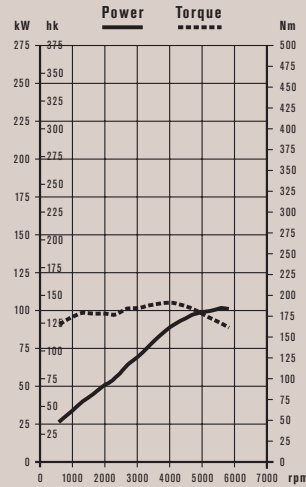
¹Track with 15" wheels. ²B5204T5 automatic. ³Bi-Fuel ⁴AWD ⁵B5244SG ⁶B5244SG2

D5244T2
In-line 5 cyl., turbo diesel
Transverse, front wheel drive
2401
81/93,2
Aluminium
Aluminium
-
18.0
4
2
Integr. fuel/ignition system
1-2-4-5-3
700
Diesel Min Cetane 48
96 (130)/4000
280/1750-3000



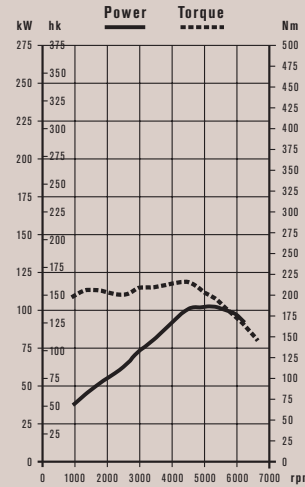
M56L2/3.77
AW55-50/2.44
Manual Automatic
11.9 12.3
200 195
6.5 (6.5) 7.9 (7.9)
177(171) 215 (209)

B5244SG (CNG mode)
In-line 5-cyl., naturally aspirated, Bi-Fuel
Transverse, front wheel drive
2435
83/90
Aluminium
Aluminium
Pent-roof
10.3
4
2
Microprocessor controlled fuel and ignition system with self diagnostics
1-2-4-5-3
750
CNG
103 (140)/5800
192/4500



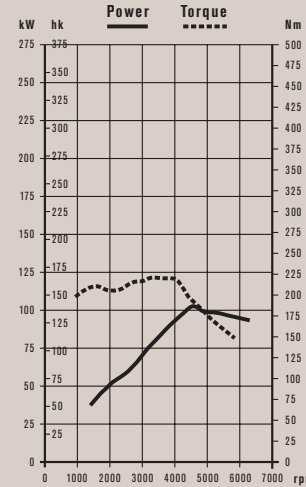
M56L/4.00
AW55-50/2.44
Manual Automatic
11.0 11.9
205 200
7.9 (7.7) Nm³ CNG 8.5 (8.4) Nm³ CNG
171 (169) 186 (183)

B5244SG2 (LPG mode)
In-line 5-cyl., naturally aspirated, Bi-Fuel
Transverse, front wheel drive
2435
83/90
Aluminium
Aluminium
Pent-roof
10.3
4
2
Microprocessor controlled fuel and ignition system with self diagnostics
1-2-4-5-3
750
LPG
103 (140)/5100
214/4500



M56L/4.00
AW55-50/2.44
Manual Automatic
10.6 11.5
205 200
12.2 (12.0) LPG 13.6 (13.4) LPG
197 (194) 221 (218)

B5244SG/SG2 (petrol mode)
In-line 5-cyl., naturally aspirated, Bi-Fuel
Transverse, front wheel drive
2435
83/90
Aluminium
Aluminium
Pent-roof
10.3
4
2
Microprocessor controlled fuel and ignition system with self diagnostics
1-2-4-5-3
750
LPG
103 (140)/4500
220/3750



M56L/4.00
AW55-50/2.44
Manual Automatic
10.5 11.4
205 200
9.1 (9.0) 10.2 (10.0)
219 (215 ⁵ /216 ⁵) 244 (240)

PRESS INFORMATION

Sharper performance and active chassis

- **T5 engine with higher performance**
- **Transmission from the R-models**
- **0 to 100 km/h in 6.5 seconds**
- **Faster gearchanges with automatic transmission**
- **Active chassis also on the S60, V70 and XC70**
- **Second-generation FOUR-C**
- **Chassis settings tailored to suit each car's character**
- **Park assist both front and rear**

The new features for the Volvo S60, V70 and XC70 models are not limited to design.

“Now we can offer our customers more of driving pleasure as well as ride comfort,” says Hans Folkesson, Senior Vice President, Research and Development. “For instance, the sporty T5 models get a more efficient turbo engine. What is more, we can offer an active chassis on the standard versions of the S60, V70 and XC70. Previously, this was only available on the Volvo S80 and the advanced R-models.

More efficient T5 engine

The turbocharged engine for the sporty T5 models (Volvo S60 T5 and V70 T5) has undergone further development to meet tougher new emissions requirements (Euro4 and LEV2/EVAP2). At the same time, these improvements have made it possible to get more power out of the engine. The expertise gained from the development of the advanced R-models has played a highly significant role.

Power output has been increased by ten horsepower from 250 to 260 bhp. Torque, previously 330 Nm, has now risen to 350 Nm.

The main benefit of the performance boost comes in the form of immensely enhanced torque at low engine revs. Even from as little as 1800 rpm, there is no less than 305 Nm on tap as against the previous 240 Nm. This translates into faster throttle response, safer overtaking and sportier road manners.

The improvements have been achieved with a variety of means. For instance, the engine has variable inlet valve timing too, instead of only variable exhaust valve timing as before. What is more, cylinder displacement has increased from 2.3 to 2.4 litres. And last but by no means least, the engine now has a new turbocharger – taken straight from the R-models.

The result is a highly competitive and potent combination of high performance, low fuel consumption and low emissions.

Rapid acceleration with six-speed transmission

The T5 engine is mated to a six-speed manual gearbox or a five-speed automatic transmission with Geartronic.

The manual M66 gearbox comes from the Volvo S60 R/V70 R, but it has been reworked for front-wheel drive in the T5 model. This gearbox has been developed and built specially to handle high torque levels, up to 400 Nm.

The Volvo S60 T5 with M66 gearbox is a very sporty combination with the ability to accelerate from 0-100 km/h in 6.5 seconds.

In automatic T5 cars, the electronic control systems have been modified to provide faster communication between engine and transmission – and a more immediate reduction in engine torque prior to gearchanges. This promotes faster gearchanges and a sportier driving experience.

For detailed driveline information, see the enclosed technical specifications for each Volvo model.

Larger brake discs at the front

In order to match the car's high performance, the Volvo S60 T5 and V70 T5 feature larger brake discs and larger callipers at the front (on EU-market cars). Disc diameter has increased from 286 to 316 mm.

Active chassis also on the Volvo S60, V70 and XC70

The active chassis was first launched in the advanced four-wheel drive Volvo S60 R and V70 R. It was then modified to suit the front-wheel driven Volvo S80 which puts the emphasis more on comfort. Now the range is being broadened still further, with the system becoming available as an option on the rest of the S60, V70 and XC70 models.

“With the active chassis, we can get more out of the car,” says Hans Folkesson. “The technology provides better driving properties in all situations – both safer and more entertaining.”

The chassis setting adapts automatically to suit the current driving situation, which considerably improves both handling and ride comfort – in one and the same car. If the driver is more active when steering, accelerating or braking, the system responds at lightning speed to increase damping force and thus control the car body’s movements.

In more sedate progress, damping action is much less frequent in order to better isolate the car’s occupants from irregularities in the road surface. This approach combines the best of two worlds – maximum control and thus safety, and at the same time the best possible comfort.

Second-generation FOUR-C

The active chassis is based on Volvo’s FOUR-C technology in combination with DSTC (Dynamic Stability and Traction Control). This is an advanced self-regulating chassis system that uses a number of sensors to continuously monitor the car’s behaviour. In mere fractions of a second, the shock absorbers are reset to suit the current situation.

“What we are now unveiling is the second-generation FOUR-C,” says Hans Folkesson. “During the process of tailoring the technology to suit the S60, V70 and XC70 models, we improved both the hardware and the software, gaining smoother damping control in the bargain. This makes for a more harmonious experience for driver and passengers alike.”

FOUR-C adjusts chassis settings to suit the car’s speed. The faster the car is travelling, the greater the damping. This makes the car easy to control even at high speeds. This technology also reduces the car body’s tendency to kneel at the front, squat at the rear or roll sideways during hard braking, sudden acceleration or fast avoidance manoeuvres respectively.

The Volvo S80 and the R-versions of the S60 and V70 also benefit from the second-generation FOUR-C.

Two choices

All models fitted with an active chassis feature two alternative chassis settings (three in the R-models). At the touch of a button, the driver can alter the car's driving behaviour to suit personal preferences.

SPORT gives more controlled body movements, faster steering response and more road contact.

COMFORT gives a suppler, more comfortable ride with calm, harmonious body movement.

In an emergency situation, however, the setting selected makes no difference – FOUR-C is programmed to always help the driver out of the situation by automatically stabilising the car.

Modified chassis properties

The active chassis gives the car better driving properties in all situations. The car is more stable and consistent in its behaviour and response.

“Everyone in the family benefits from the active chassis,” says Hans Folkesson. “The car is both safer and more comfortable to ride in.”

The advanced FOUR-C technology has also made it possible to modify chassis properties to suit each respective car model.

- In the Volvo S60, the chassis has a stiffer setting in Sports mode to provide enhanced road feedback and sportier driving properties. At the same time, the Comfort setting provides greater comfort than the standard chassis can offer.
- The Volvo V70, the family car of choice, has been tailored to provide high ride comfort while at the same time retaining its excellent ride and roadholding properties when the car is loaded. In Sports mode, the car offers a firmer and livelier ride.
- The Volvo XC70 crossover model with active chassis has become stiffer and firmer, with increased steering feel and enhanced road feedback. The car is easier to control and more comfortable to ride in on both good and poor road surfaces.

Parking assistance at the front too

As before, Volvo cars can be equipped with a Park Assist system. Sensors in the rear bumper alert the driver when the car is too close to an object at the rear. This makes the driver's job easier when parking in congested areas. The function is now fully integrated in the car's electronic system, making it possible to install parking assistance in the front bumpers as well. This is an entirely new feature in the Volvo range.

Park assistance rear is available as:

- An accessory – with fully faired-in sensors
- A factory-fitted option

Park assistance front is only available as an accessory (provided the car is also equipped with Park Assistance Rear).

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PRESS INFORMATION

New safety functions in Volvo cars

- **BLIS – Blind Spot Information System – a world-first in a passenger car**
- **WRG – Water Repellent Glass – improves visibility when driving in the rain**
- **Cut-off switch for front passenger airbag**

At the start of the year, Volvo Cars presented four new safety systems that will be launched in the company's car models over the forthcoming period. One of them was BLIS – Blind Spot Information System – which was unveiled on the Volvo stand at the Detroit motor show.

“BLIS is now ready to be demonstrated in roadgoing cars,” says Lex Kerssemakers, Vice President, Global Marketing.

In addition to BLIS, Volvo Cars is also launching water-repellent glass for side windows and door mirrors – along with a simple and dependable method for switching off the front passenger airbag in Volvo cars.

BLIS – Blind Spot Information System

Despite large window panels and effective door mirrors, there is always the risk of offset rear blind spots while driving. This can increase the risk of accidents, especially when changing lanes or overtaking.

In order to improve safety in such situations, Volvo Cars started fitting wide-angle door mirrors for the driver's side already back in 1979 – the first car maker to do so. Now the company is taking visibility one step further with a camera-based monitoring system that keeps a watchful eye on the area alongside and offset rear behind the car.

When another vehicle enters this zone, a warning lamp comes on beside the appropriate door mirror. The driver is thus given an indication that there is another vehicle very close to his or her own. The system alerts the driver both to cars approaching from behind and cars that have currently been overtaken. This information gives the driver added scope for making the right decisions in such situations.

The production of BLIS will start in the end of 2004.

The technology behind BLIS

A digital camera is installed on each door mirror and it takes 25 pictures each second. By comparing the pictures taken, the system can register when a vehicle is moving within the BLIS zone, which measures 9.5 metres long by 3 metres wide on either side of the car.

The system is programmed to identify cars as well as motorcycles, in daylight as well as at night. Since BLIS is camera-based, however, it has the same limitations as the human eye does. This means the system will not function in conditions of poor visibility, for instance in fog or flying snow. In such a case, the driver receives a message that BLIS is not in action. It is also configured not to react to parked cars, road barriers, lampposts and other static objects.

The system is active at all speeds above 10 km/h. It reacts to vehicles that are driven a maximum of 20 km/h slower and a maximum of 70 km/h faster than the car itself.

BLIS can be switched off via a button in the centre console.

WRG – Water Repellent Glass

In order to improve safety when driving in the rain, Volvo Cars is launching WRG – Water Repellent Glass – for door mirrors and front side windows. WRG prevents rainwater from obstructing visibility.

On the windows, the water gathers as pearls of moisture which blow away easily by the wind speed, leaving a dry glass panel with unobstructed visibility. Since it is more difficult for dirt to fasten on dry surfaces, it is also easier to keep the windows clean and free of ice. WRG treatment requires that the windows be laminated.

On the door mirrors, a different method is used. Here, the water is distributed evenly across the entire glass surface so that it is possible to see through the water. In certain weather conditions, the function can be speeded up if the mirror heater elements are activated.

The water repellent function has been created through special treatment of the glass. On the side windows, the treatment must be renewed after about three years and then every year after that in order to ensure full effect. The door mirrors do not need to be re-treated since they are not as exposed to wear and tear.

PACOS – Passenger Airbag Cut-Off Switch

The findings of Volvo's safety research are clear:

- Children should ride in the rear seat
- The safety equipment that is used should be tailored to suit the child's size
- Small children should travel in a rear-facing child seat, preferably in the rear of the car
- If a child is placed in the front seat, it is essential that the car is not fitted with a front passenger airbag, or that this airbag is disconnected.

Now it is possible for the Volvo owner to disconnect the front passenger airbag using the ignition key. The lock is integrated into the end of the instrument panel. Disconnection is confirmed by a physical marker on the lock itself and with a text that appears in the interior rear-view display.

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PRESS INFORMATION

The spacious family car – safer, more elegant and with even better driving properties

- **The right car for all occasions**
- **Increased focus on elegance, comfort and driving properties**
- **Sweden the largest single market**
- **Sales target 70,000 cars**

From a historical perspective, Volvo Cars is often linked with the image of spacious estate cars for families with young children.

At its introduction in 2000, the Volvo V70 took that tradition one step further by combining traditional characteristics such as safety and functionality with a more elegant design, high comfort and improved driving properties.

Now comes a further-refined Volvo V70 with emphasis on enhanced comfort and driving properties.

“At its launch, we said somewhat jokingly that we had merged a sports-car front with the rear section of a van. I still think that’s a good description of how to achieve unbeatable practical elegance. The Volvo V70 is always the right car for the occasion, whether you are parking alongside the children’s football pitch or outside the opera house on a Saturday evening,” says Volvo Cars President Hans-Olov Olsson.

Increased comfort, better driving properties

The exterior design changes reinforce the elegant profile, while the interior changes aim at further enhancing the aura of quality and comfort.

The Volvo V70 is now also available with the sophisticated FOUR-C (Continuously Controlled Chassis Concept) active chassis – and the T5 version of the five-cylinder turbocharged engine has been given a vitamin boost to pump out 260 bhp instead of the previous 250 bhp.

“A perfect example of the fact that even our most spacious and practical models are designed for drivers with exceptionally high demands on driving properties,” continues Hans-Olov Olsson.

Sportier – and safer!

What is more, the safety level of the Volvo V70 is being further enhanced with a number of new features, such as the smart camera-based BLIS (Blind Spot Information System), which monitors the driver’s “blind spots”.

“The owner of a family car naturally always has immensely high demands concerning safety. The revitalised Volvo V70 has several new solutions that demonstrate our commitment to continue our lead in this area. For example, we know that a switch to switch off the front passenger airbag is high on the priority list of many customers. Now, we introduce a simple and dependable technology to meet this need,” explains Hans-Olov Olsson.

Sweden the largest market

The Volvo V70 is Sweden’s best-selling car – and Volvo’s home market is also expected to buy more of the latest incarnation of the Volvo V70 than any other single market. Sweden is followed in the sales charts by the USA, Germany, United Kingdom and Japan.

The latest Volvo V70 will reach the showrooms in August 2004 and the total sales target for the first year is more than 70,000 cars.

Diesel engines account for 40 percent of sales in Europe

The proportion of diesel engines in European sales of the Volvo V70 is expected to be in the region of 40 percent.

The Volvo V70 is currently built at the Volvo Cars plants in both Torslanda in Sweden and Ghent in Belgium. However, all production will be gradually transferred to Torslanda

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PRESS INFORMATION

Versatile estate car becomes sportier and more practical

- **New front with elegant appearance and re-designed head lamps**
- **Increased level of colour-coordination and trim alternatives**
- **New rear bumper and re-designed transparent tail lamps**
- **Revised interior, including a new elegant tunnel console with multifunctional armrest**
- **New generation of Volvo seats and new upholsteries**

“For model year 2005, we listened very attentively to our customers and dealers,” says Steve Harper, Platform chief designer. “The car has been on the market for more than three years and this has given us time to evaluate all views and opinions. We have made comprehensive changes – outside to enhance the car’s unique profile, and inside to boost the sensation of quality and comfort.”

The model year 2005 Volvo V70 has been renewed in a large number of areas, which together give the car a stronger appearance and character and at the same time emphasise the ties to the rest of the Volvo range.

Bolder front with new headlamps

The front is entirely new, with a more distinct nose with rounder contours. The grille with the vertical chrome-plated ribs has a more three-dimensional and elegant appearance. The chrome-plated grille and the lower air intake differentiate the estate car from the sedan models. The light headlamp surrounds and the squarer foglamps also help create a distinct profile.

The headlamps too are new, with clear lenses and high performance reflector design (for both the halogen and Bi-Xenon lamps). At the same time, Volvo has switched from glass to plastic, which is lighter and more resistant to stone-chip damage. It is also gentler on pedestrians in the event of a collision. Volvo's traditional headlamp wipers have been replaced with high-pressure washers – on the V-models with fixed nozzles.

The windscreen wipers are of the latest type, featuring integrated flat blades. They have a more modern appearance and produce less wind noise than traditional wiper blades do. What is more, they apply more pressure on the windscreen, which improves wiper effectiveness.

More trim and more choice

Colour-matched side trim mouldings are now standard and boost the coordinated impression of the Volvo V70. The lower body line (sills, lower door trims and lower part of the bumpers) is black, but can be optionally specified in body colour.

The bumper corners feature decorative and practical protective mouldings. They are colour-matched as standard and can also be specified with a slim chrome-plated decorative moulding. The corner mouldings can easily be replaced in the event of damage.

Harmonized rear design

The design has been updated at the rear too. The tail lamps have a more technically-inspired design with transparent glass and visible bulbs. In addition, the light pattern has been altered.

“We have made it easier to recognise a Volvo from the rear in the dark,” explains Steve Harper.

“At the same time, we have added a further practical separate capping strip that protects the top surface of the bumper when loading and unloading.

The exhaust tailpipe too has been modified, with a high-gloss finish and proportions that better reflect the engine's power. The 2.0T, 2.5T and T5 models feature chrome-plated tailpipes. In parallel, the cutout in the bumper skirt has been integrated more smoothly than before.

The emblems on the tailgate are now located in the same position as on the sedan models, with the Volvo name in the middle, the model designation on the left and the engine designation on the right.

Interior with higher quality impression

Volvo's designers have focused hard on making the interior comfortable and inviting.

"We have spared no effort to ensure that the quality perception is the best imaginable," says Steve Harper. "With homogeneous contours, natural materials, flexible functions and new trim alternatives, we aimed at reinforcing the feeling of Scandinavian design at its best."

For example, the centre console – the car's central control panel – has a slimmer design with a decorative surrounding frame in materials such as genuine walnut or authentic aluminium (light or dark). Even the panel's dark-grey shade has been altered to provide better contrast with the controls and make them easier to use.

The audio system, which has been upgraded with Dolby Pro Logic II, has new, separate buttons for quick selection of radio stations and functions, and the most advanced system has an integrated CD changer for no less than six discs.

Smart tunnel console with the emphasis on versatility

The tunnel console is entirely new, with a more homogeneous design and far stiffer construction than before. This considerably boosts the aura of quality. An elegant roller shutter conceals an illuminated compartment for storage that also includes improved cupholders.

The armrest between the front seats is also entirely new. "My design team and I are particularly proud of this," comments Steve Harper. "It's designed for what we consider to be the ultimate, multi-functional armrest. In fact we nicknamed it 'the American Dream'. It has a number of practical features – cupholders, trays and a storage compartment that can be utilised in a variety of ways."

The rear armrest also has a new, more functional design with fixed cupholders and a higher-quality feel.

New generation of Volvo seats

A new generation of Volvo seats is now being introduced, offering improved seating comfort and more convenient adjustment. The seats have:

- added vertical adjustment (+12 mm) – with a new "pump control"
- simpler adjustment of seat angle – with yet another "pump control"
- improved controls for lumbar support (require less force to turn)
- slimmer head restraints, providing better visibility from the rear seat

New upholsteries

A series of new upholsteries enhance the feeling of quality in the model year 2005 Volvos.

Sovereign Hide – a new soft leather upholstery

Sovereign Hide has leather on all the seat surfaces and is made of the finest hide. 5% extra leather and seams with longer stitches create an exclusive effect. Sovereign Hide gives a high-class ambience of Scandinavian craftsmanship at its very best. An extra layer of 10 mm thick foam padding also makes the seat softer and more comfortable.

Sovereign Hide is available in three colours:

- Linen White – with darker seams – is Volvo’s most exclusive upholstery ever. It is available in two combinations, with the interior in classic Oak or for attractive contrast in Off-Black.
- Off-Black – with light-grey seams – for a sportier touch
- Oak/Arena – gives a more classically elegant impression

Vestborg – dynamic and elegant combination of leather and silver weave

Vestborg is a new upholstery with textile panels of elegant silver weave. It is woven using a special technique, giving a modern, three-dimensional impression. Panel inlays of leather enhance the elegant ambience. Some surfaces are upholstered in leather-like vinyl of high quality.

Vestborg is available in three colours:

- Grey
- Arena
- Light Sand

“The new generation of seats and the modern upholsteries give customers enhanced comfort and an even more elegant car,” concludes Steve Harper.

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