



The new generation 'facelift' T5

The 'facelift' Volkswagen T5 is set for launch in New Zealand next year.

- New Common Rail TDI engines drop fuel consumption by up to 1.9 litres
- New front design in keeping with the stylishly refined Volkswagen Design DNA
- New 7-speed DSG gearbox
- New generation of ESP including the standard hill-start assistant in all vehicles

In September 2009 at the IAA in Frankfurt, the worldwide T5 model launch will begin with the premiere of the Multivan and California models. The new perfected versions give out even fewer emissions as well as being more efficient, economical, comfortable, elegant, intelligent and safer than ever before. The T5 series is made up of the Transporter, Caravelle, Multivan and California models. Each individual model is made up of a scope of individual model variants.

The success story of the current T5 series began with the start of production on March 3rd 2003. From this point on, the T5 has become an internationally best-selling vehicle for Volkswagen Commercial vehicles so popular that it reached the milestone of selling its one millionth unit in June this year. For its huge fan base; people like service providers, trades people, families, business people and globe trotters, these multi-talented vehicles are an automotive way-of-life, a symbol for endless mobility and variety.



Key Features

The 'facelift' T5 has been given a huge technical boost. Take the engines for example: the new Turbo diesel engines (TDI) are more efficient, exceptionally quiet and now fitted with a Common Rail Injection system. Thanks to the new TDI, fuel consumption levels have decreased by up to 1.9 litres and CO2 emissions have dropped by 52 g/km, so that all engines now fulfil the EU5 emission standards. What's more, the new versions come with an optional 7-speed dual clutch gearbox (DSG) - an international first for this class of vehicle!

Volkswagen New Zealand is the only manufacturer in the Transporter van segment to offer all-wheel drive technology, and their '4Motion' line-up will continue within the 'facelift' T5 family not just in the conventional manual transmission, but also as a new development; optional for the new DSG gearbox.

Safety features have been further improved thanks to the standard hill-start assistant, refined ESP, a new hazard warning light for the brake lights (emergency brake lights) and new optional driver



assist systems. In addition, the interior is fitted with new instruments, steering wheels, radio/navigation systems and textures on top of ergonomic perfection.



Four new Common Rail TDI engines

The new four-cylinder diesel engines with Common Rail Injection set new benchmarks for both their economy and kindness to the environment. The 2.0l TDI (1,968 cm³) comes with four power output options; either 62kW / 220Nm, 75kW / 250Nm, 103kW / 340Nm or 132kW / 400Nm. The 340Nm engine is boosted by a turbocharger with variable turbine geometry, while the top of the range 400Nm engine is fitted with a two-stage charger with bi-

turbocharger. This form of downsizing means that, for the first time in the Volkswagen Group, a compression ignition engine is being used in a vehicle of this performance range.

The greatest feature is the fuel-saving capacity. It is the first time in the world that a transporter, van or touring vehicle has been equipped with a 7-gear dual clutch gearbox (DSG), which allows fuel consumption in the 400Nm version to drop by up to 1.9 litres when compared with the previous 6-gear automatic. Compared to previous generations, Volkswagen were able to decrease CO₂ emissions and fuel consumption levels by an average of 10% across the whole range.

All four diesel engines respond extremely quickly and almost as soon as you have left idling speed as well! Even the smallest TDI engine with 65kW has a maximum torque of 220Nm from just 1,250 rpm. The 75kW version goes to 250Nm from 1,500 rpm, the 103kW hits a high of 340Nm from 1,750 rpm while the 132kW TDI propels into the crankshaft with an impressive 400Nm from 1,500 rpm. And of course all versions are fitted with a particle filter.

On track with the new Volkswagen Design DNA

The bestseller's body design is now in line with Volkswagen's new Design DNA. The new front design shows off the series in an even more elegant light. Alongside other new design features, the new generations really stand out with a completely modified front end. Clear, horizontal lines give the series a timeless, elegant appearance. The top stripe is visibly extended so that it stretches into the newly designed headlights. Also, for the first time, the newly designed fog lights in the rear bumper will act as static cornering lights as well. The rear sections of the Caravelle, Multivan and California have new rear lights which are in keeping the current Design DNA.



New driver assist systems and additional standard equipment

Depending on the vehicle's equipment level, new 17" and 18" alloy wheels are available as well as new exterior mirrors, refined for improved aerodynamics. And for the first time, the exterior mirrors house the entire antenna system. As another ground-breaking feature in this class, the best-selling vehicles are now available with the Side Assist lane change assistant. As seen in the Touareg, this system uses LEDs in the exterior mirrors to warn the driver of any vehicles in the blind spot. There is also a tyre monitor display (TMD) available, which constantly analyses how quickly the tyres are rotating. By comparing the different speeds, the system detects when the tyre pressure has dropped.

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Interior Design

The models' interiors have been completely re-worked. Take the instruments for example: With a new design, they are lit in white from behind and highlighted by a chrome frame. Each of the new generation's models will come with a gear shift recommendation display. The entire collection of radio and navigation systems has also been updated. The new top of the range device is the RNS 510 with touch screen and hard-drive navigation. The optional Dynaudio sound system delivers magnificent concert-hall acoustics. The USB interface, Media-IN, allows you to connect any devices, such as MP3 players, quickly and easily.

Further new features on board are the controls for the semi- and fully-automatic air conditioning systems and the three-spoke steering wheels. The Transporter can also be ordered with a new double front passenger seat bench which includes an integrated folding stowage compartment.



As Grant Doull, Manager - Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles for NZ commented; "The current T5 range has found its place in the New Zealand market by its ability to offer passenger like driving comfort coupled with unbeatable safety standards (4 star Ancap rating). Not to mention its load carrying capabilities for the van segment and versatility and practicality within the people mover segment. We are delighted to see such revolutionary improvements with the 'facelift' model T5 and are excited about its potential to offer the solution for those clients that demand safety, economy, elegance and overall value for money. We

look forward to launch the 'facelift' T5 here in early 2010."

Further details on the New Zealand range and pricing will follow.

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