

Introduction

BMW X3

Speed, flexibility, aesthetics, power and appeal -today's drivers expect a lot from their cars. Spontaneity is especially important: we all want to be able to put our plans into action quickly. The BMW X3 is the ideal vehicle for people who enjoy their freedom. It is the first Sports Activity Vehicle with the intelligent xDrive all-wheel-drive system and a flexible interior, hallmarks of BMW's superior engineering skills and eye for stylish, practical design.



Design



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Simulataneously embodying power and elegance, the exterior of the BMW X3 is the outward expression of design principles reflected inside the vehicle as well. Aesthetic integrity is assured by the use of top-quality materials throughout, and by the presence of unique details which delight the eye. And thanks to the raised position of the driver's seat, you are afforded a commanding view of your surroundings: this not only improves safety, but it also underscores your exclusive status as a BMW X3 owner.

Exterior

Can bold statements and subtle details be combined? An apparent paradox finds its resolution in the exterior design of the X3. White indicators provide the finishing touch to the expressive front. Electrically adjustable, the exterior mirrors are the same colour as the body, as is the roof spoiler, which adds a final flourish to the powerful silhouette of the X3.

Interior

Everything where you need it to be: BMW's excellent understanding of ergonomic design means that all the controls are within easy reach. Practical considerations are not overlooked either: the interior of the X3 offers near-unlimited storage space which can be used to accommodate loads of every size.



Safety



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Flexibility is a hallmark of the X3, but its safety standards never vary. The chassis of this premium Sports Activity Vehicle displays exceptional stability and rigidity, while its separately reinforced side profiles and high-strength occupant cell guarantee maximum passenger protection. In the event of an impact, force is largely absorbed in precisely defined areas. Airbags and comprehensive seat safety systems complete the safety package in the BMW X3.

Restraint system

In the event of an accident, every element of the seat safety system springs into action to protect the occupants of the X3. The safety belts are fitted with force limiters: these possess an electronically controlled pyrotechnic charge and, once triggered, the tensioner tightens seatbelts in a fraction of a second for greater restraint. The seatbelts also prevent "submarining", when passengers slide abruptly underneath the lap strap in an impact. In the rear of the BMW X3, three headrests - the outer two are adjustable - and three automatic seatbelts ensure that rear-seat passengers are fully protected as well.

Adaptive Headlights

Shedding light around bends: The optional Adaptive Headlights possess electromechanical motors which swivel the headlight in the direction you are turning. This responsive system ensures that the high and dipped-beam xenon headlights provide optimum illumination for driving at night or in poor visibility. Sensors register current steering angle, yaw rate and vehicle speed to judge the perfect angle, which can be anything up to 15 degrees in either direction.

Airbags

Airbags are another aspect of the X3's comprehensive safety programme. The protection provided by driver and front passenger airbags is further enhanced by side airbags for those in the front. These side airbags are available as an optional extra for rear seat passengers, while head airbags are standard for all occupants. BMW's Impact Depending System inflates only the airbags for seats which are occupied: these are inflated to the correct degree for maximum safety.

Technology



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Because a Sports Activity Vehicle has to match your ambitions, every element of the BMW X3's chassis was designed to deliver maximum traction for maximum performance. It combines an optimised double-joint spring strut front axle with a central-arm rear axle for sure-footed road-holding. Driving stability is enhanced by the even distribution of weight between both axles. Driver assistants, different transmissions and innovations such as the xDrive all-wheel drive system work together for greater traction, which makes for characteristic BMW performance on all surfaces.

xDrive

Superior dynamics on every surface: the BMW X3 incorporates xDrive, an all-wheel-drive system which supplies the corrcet level of engine power to both axles as the situation requires. As the driver, you can enjoy the X3's power and agility to the full because this intelligent system automatically adapts to the terrain you are driving on. Whether you are attempting a hill start, tackling slippery surfaces or on a twisting road, maximum traction is guaranteed.

Transmission

Impressively precise gear ratios are another important factor behind the X3's excellent dynamics. The six-speed manual transmission is the last word in short gear changes. Should you want a real hands-on experience, you can switch to steptronic in the optional five-speed automatic gearbox. Adaptive Transmission Management takes your personal driving style into account and chooses the perfect moment to change gears. In addition, gear changes are adapted to best deal with the prevailing road conditions: Normal, Winter or Uphill/Setting off.

Dynamic Stability Control (DSC)

The X3 masters every driving situation effortlessly thanks to its innovative driver assistants. Dynamic Stability Control (DSC) manages all the cars electronic traction control systems which contribute to stability while driving. Trailer Stability Control helps keep everything under control when you are towing something: this system uses DSC sensors to monitor the tow hitch, and the moment it detects any sign of unstable motion, it reduces speed quickly. Hill Decent Control makes for a smooth and safe downhill ride on even the steepest slopes.



Engines



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The X3 comes with a choice of two high-performance six-cylinder in-line engines. Both of these petrol engines are characterised by their powerful acceleration and quiet running. Whatever engine you prefer, you can be sure of the BMW X3's immense reserves of strength.

Straight six-cylinder petrol engine

Be it the top-of-the-range three-litre powerplant or the athletically refined 2.5-litre model, both straight-six petrol engines deliver outstanding efficiency with unsurpassed smoothness. Thanks to Double-VANOS, engine acceleration develops spontaneously and powerfully even at lower engines speeds, keeping fuel consumption at a minimum and power output to a maximum.

Digital Motor Electronics (DME)

The Digital Motor Electronics (DME) monitor and manage all imporant engine functions. In real time, sensors constantly check data relating to everything from ignition to fuel injection, and assess performance parameters such as engine speed, temperature and the position of the choke valve or accelerator. DME provides your X3 with instruments which ensure optimal engine performance under all conditions.

Ownership benefits

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BMW Ownership benefits provide a range of vehicle services that allow easy management of your BMW in all circumstances. From Service While You Wait and Accident management to Emergency Service and BMW Four Plus - the car care programme for BMWs over four years old - each service brings with it complete piece of mind and the knowledge that you and your car will be looked after by real experts.

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Technical Specification 2.5i SE X3

Note - Figures in brackets represent Automatic transmission

Engine

Cylinders/valves 6/4
Capacity cml 2494
Stroke/Bore (mm) Max output (kW/bph/rpm)
Max torque (Nm/rpm) 245/3500

Wheels

Tyre size front -Tyre size rear -Wheel size front -Wheel size rear -

Fuel consumption

Urban (mpg) Extra-urban (mpg) Combined (mpg) Urban (ltr/100km) Extra-urban (ltr/100km) Combined (ltr/100km) CO2 emissions (g/km) Tank capacity (ltr) -

Dimensions

Wheelbase -Vehicle length 4565 Vehicle width 1853 Vehicle height 1674 Track, front -Track, rear -

Performance

Drag (cw) Top speed (mph) Acceleration 0-62 mph (sec) Acceleration 50-75 mph in 4th (sec) -

Weight

Unladen (EU) 1815 (1840)
Max permissible Permitted load 500
Permitted axle load, front/rear -

Equipment 2.5i SE and 2.5i Sport



Transmission	2.5i SE	2.5i Sport
Anti-roll bars front and rear		
Sports suspension	NA	
Aluminium integral rear axle		
Six-speed manual gearbox		
Servotronic steering	NA	NA
xDrive		
Power steering		
Central control-arm rear axle		
Double-joint spring strut front axle		
Five-speed automatic gearbox with Steptronic	NA	NA
Engine Double - VANOS		1
Three-way catalytic converter, heated oxygen sensor, activated carbon filter, controlled tank purge		•
Six-cylinder in-line petrol engine with four-valve technology		
Light-alloy engine block and cylinder head		
Safety		
Airbags - Driver and front passenger ID airbags (impact-depending airbag system), seat occupancy detector for front passenger airbag	•	
Airbags - Side airbags at the front for driver and front passenger		
Airbags - Side airbags for rear-seat passangers	NA	NA
Alarm system with radio remote control		
Brakes - Disc brakes at the front, inner-vented		



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Safety	2.5i SE	2.5i Sport
Central locking with electronic immobiliser, crash sensor, fuel tank filler flap integrated in central locking	•	•
Dynamic Stability Control (DSC), incl traction mode and DBC		
Hill Descent Control (HDC)		
Park Distance Control (PDC), front and rear		
Rain Sensor (incl automatic headlamp activation)	NA	NA
Seat belts - Inertia-reel seat belts at the front with pyrotechnical belt tensioner, belt force limiter, and belt restraint	•	•
Xenon headlights, incl dynamic headlight range control	NA	NA
Run Flat Indicator (RFI)		
Airbags - Head airbag front and rear		
Foglights with free-form reflector		
Side impact protection, integrated		
Child seat fastening ISOFIX, back seat		
Adaptive headlights (in combination with Xenon lights)	NA	NA
Emergency spare wheel		
Seat belts - Ergonomic belt system in the rear with three-point belts on all seats, with integrated belt catch Exterior		
	NIA	NIA
Aluminium running board, brushed and eloxy-plated	NA ■	NA ■
White indicator lenses		
Metallic paintwork	NA	NA
Roof rails Rustproofing, all-round, with partial hot galvanisation, phosphating and cathodic dip bath, preservation of hollow cavities	÷	÷
Rear spoiler		
Kidney front grille with vertical slats in black and chrome surround		•
Model designation-deletion	£0	£0
Exterior mirrors, electrically adjustable, heated, aspheric design	•	£0
Exterior parts in body colour (door handles, drip moulding, roof mouldings)		
Tailgate with low loading sill		
Wheels - BMW light-alloy wheels - double spoke style 148, 17-inch		NA
Sport		
Anthracite Headlining	NA	
Sports multi-function steering wheel	NA	
Sports Seats	NA	
Sports Suspension	NA	
Key: ■- Standard NA - Not Available		



Equipment 2.5i SE and 2.5i Sport

Sport	2.5i SE	2.5i Sport
Wheels - BMW light-alloy wheels - star-spoke style 143, 18-inch	NA	
Wheels - BMW light-alloy wheels - Y-spoke style 114 with mixed tyres, 18-inch	NA	NA
Interior trim - High-gloss satin chrome	NA	
Interior		
Armrest at the front		
Climate comfort windscreen	NA	NA
Courtesy lights front and rear with soft on/off dimming		
Courtesy lights package with footwell illumination at the front, switchable reading lights at the front and rear as well as illuminated vanity mirrors	NA	NA
Digital clock		
Floormats in velour	NA	NA
Follow-me-home function		
Glove compartment, illuminated and lockable		
Indirect illumination of centre console		
Roof lining in Anthracite	NA	
Ski-bag	NA	NA
Smoker package	£0	£0
Steering wheels - sports leather steering wheel	NA	NA
Vanity mirrors with slide covers for driver and front passenger		
Interior mirror with anti-dazzle function	NA	NA
"LIGHTS ON" warning		
On-board computer		
Radio/audio - BMW Business radio with single CD player		
Radio/audio - HiFi loudspeaker system	NA	NA
Seats/seat comfort - Seat adjustment, fully electric with memory function for driver's seat	NA	NA
Seats/seat comfort - Heated front seats	NA	NA
Seats/seat comfort - Sports seats for driver and front passenger, with fully electric adjustment	NA	•
Seats/seat comfort - Lumbar support for driver and front passenger	NA	NA
Telephones - Bluetooth telephone preparation (Mobile telephone and cradle are purchased seperately, consult your BMW Dealer for further information)	NA	NA
Telephones - Professional telephone (dual-band)	NA	NA
Window lifts, electric, pull/press switch with open/close fingertip control		
Steering wheels - Sports leather steering wheel, three-spoke with Multi-function buttons	NA	•
Automatic air conditioning (incl AAR, microfilter, condensation and solar sensor)	•	•
Centre armrest at rear (incl two cupholders and storage compartment) and integrated head rest	•	NA
Kev: ■- Standard NA - Not Available		



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Interior	2.5i SE	2.5i Sport
Cruise control	NA	NA
Cup holders, front		
Heat-insulating glass, green, windscreen and side windows		
Interior trim - Aluminium buffed finish	NA	NA
Interior trim - Dark Slate Grey		NA
Interior trim - Fine wood trim in light Birch grain, high gloss	NA	NA
Load area cover	•	
Luggage compartment partition net	NA	NA
Panorama glass roof, electric with slide and lift control	NA	NA
Radio/audio - six-disc CD changer, in centre console	NA	NA
Radio/audio - HiFi system Professional	NA	NA
Remote control for central locking		
Seats/seat comfort - Rear seat bench, foldable and 60:40 dividable		•
Steering wheels - Leather steering wheel		NA
Steering wheels - Multi-function for steering wheel, incl cruise control		NA
Storage compartment in centre console as well as in all doors		
Seats/seat comfort - Standard seats, manual seat adjustment		NA
Courtesy lights, front centre		
Instrument panel with round speedometer and rpm dials, fuel gauge and coolant temperature gauge	•	•
Interior trim - Maple wood		NA
Luggage compartment light in the tailgate		
Luggage compartment lights left/right		
Luggage compartment with textile lining, load capacity 480 to 1,560 litres	•	•
Map pocket in door trim panel, front and rear		
Navigation system - BMW Business with LC display, DVD-compatible	NA	NA
Navigation System - BMW Professional with 16:9 colour screen and map guidance	NA	NA
Navigation system - TV function	NA	NA
Power socket in centre console		
Power socket in luggage compartment		
Steering wheels - Four-spoke steering wheel		NA
Steering wheels - Leather steering wheel, gear lever knob and handbrake lever handle in leather		NA
Steering wheels - Steering wheel heating	NA	NA
Steering wheels - Steering column adjustment, manual, for reach and height		
Storage compartment in rear centre armrest		
Tools under storage floor		

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Interior	2.5i SE	2.5i Sport
Upholstery - Network cloth		
Upholstery - Ambiente leather	NA	NA
Upholstery - Sensatec cloth	NA	NA
Kev: ■- Standard NA - Not Available		

Pricing

Price shown as 'on the road'

2.5i SE	£28,615
2 5i Sport	£29 665

Company car tax

Car benefit charges for cars with an approved CO2 emissions figure

Model Description	CO2 Taxband	CO2 Emission
2.5i SE	tbc	NA (NA)
2.5i Sport	tbc	NA (NA)

Company car tax information for automatic cars is shown in brackets.

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