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Jaguar's F-Type gets a 2017 refresh

The updated Jaguar F-Type sports car, arriving in the second quarter of 2017, includes a special edition, new seats, stateof-the-art infotainment system and a ReRun app that combines vehicle data with GoPro video to enhance the driving experience.



The company says the new range offers more driver-focused technology and a broader model range, comprising 28 derivatives which range from rear-wheel drive 250kW F-Type to the 322 km/h, all-wheel drive F-Type SVR – Jaguar's all-weather supercar.

Tech updates

Every F-Type now features the Touch Pro infotainment system. The tablet-style operation offers smart navigation functions such as Share ETA and online services such as real-time traffic and live weather reports.

Drivers will be able to capture and share their experiences using the new ReRun app developed in collaboration with GoPro. The app combines real-time video from the driver's GoPro with key vehicle performance data including speed, throttle position, gear selection, braking force and g force. The high-quality video – including a 'highlights' sections – can be downloaded to the driver's smartphone and shared on social media.

Jaguar has added lightweight slimline seats and new chrome and aluminium trim finishers. The seat frames are pressure diecast magnesium alloy – a material with high strength-to-weight ratio. The weight saving compared to their predecessors is more than 8kg. The new design also allows the seatback to move rearwards by up to 50mm more than before, resulting in a lower seating position and increased legroom.

Full LED headlights are also now available, boosting visual appeal and improving driver safety and comfort.

New edition

To mark the introduction of the new F-Type range Jaguar has developed the exclusive 400 Sport launch edition, which will go on sale worldwide but for one model year only. Power from the new 294kW version of the 3.0-litre supercharged V6 engine is joined by an uprated chassis comprising the Super Performance braking system, Configurable Dynamics and 20-inch wheels with a unique Dark Satin Grey finish.

The R-Dynamic model is new to the core range. It's available with both the 250kW and 280kW versions of the supercharged V6, and distinguished by 19-inch and 20-inch alloy wheel designs and by the front bumper's Gloss Black aperture bezels.

Joining the F-Type's suite of driver-focused assistance systems is a semi-automated park-assist function designed to assist with parallel parking. When passing a potential space, the car's parking sensors measure its length. If suitable, the system takes care of the steering: all the driver has to do is press a button, engage reverse and control the throttle and brakes. The system will also guide the vehicle out of the space when it's time to leave.

The new 2017 F-Type range will consist of:

F-Type Coupé and Convertible: 250kW 3.0-litre V6; Auto RWD/ manual RWD 280kW 3.0-litre V6; Auto RWD/ AWD, manual RWD

F-Type R-Dynamic Coupé and Convertible: 250kW 3.0-litre V6; Auto RWD/ manual RWD 280kW 3.0-litre V6; Auto RWD/ AWD, manual RWD

F-Type 400 SPORT Coupé and Convertible: 294kW 3.0-litre V6; Auto RWD/ AWD

F-Type R Coupé and Convertible: 405kW 5.0-litre V8; Auto AWD

F-Type SVR Coupé and Convertible: 423kW 5.0-litre V8; Auto AWD

According to the company, local pricing will be announced in February and all 28 derivatives will be available.

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