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Dodge Nitro Ignites Midsize SUV Segment

HIGHLIGHTS

- Three engine options offered:
 - o 3.7-liter SOHC V-6 delivers 151 kW (205 hp DIN) @ 5,200 rpm and 314 N•m (232 lb.-ft.) of torque @ 4,000 rpm
 - o 4.0-liter SOHC V-6 delivers 191 kW (260 hp DIN) @ 6,000 rpm and 360 N•m (265 lb.-ft.) of torque @ 4,000 rpm
 - o 2.8-liter Common-rail diesel (CRD) turbo diesel engine generates 130 kW (177 hp DIN) @ 3,800 rpm and 460 N•m (339 lb.-ft.) of torque @ 2,000 rpm
- Standard safety and security features include Anti-lock Brake System (ABS), Brake assist, all-speed traction control, Electronic Stability Control (ESC), Electronic-roll Mitigation (ERM) and front and side-curtain air bags
- Standard Auto Unlock at exit
- Rear dome lamp standard on all models
- Remote express-open front windows standard on SLT and R/T models
- Standard automatic transmission
- Retuned muffler on 4.0-liter V-6 engine
- Stiffer rear axle shafts for more precise, linear vehicle handling
- Retuned springs, shocks, anti-roll bars, steering gear valve and stiffer rear axles improve steering and handling
- Retuned booster, low rollback calipers and revised brake pedal ratio improve brake pedal feel

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Dodge Nitro is Dodge's first midsize SUV. With its bold styling and aggressive stance, Dodge Nitro is unlike any other mid-size SUV in the marketplace.

In major European markets, the Dodge Nitro offers the 3.7-liter V-6 petrol engine on the Dodge Nitro SE and SXT models which produce 151 kW (205 hp DIN) @ 5,200 rpm and 314 N•m (232 lb.-ft.) of torque @ 4,000 rpm. An exhaust-gas recirculation valve helps increase fuel economy.

Other engines offerings include the 2.8-liter turbo diesel and 4.0-liter V-6 petrol.

The 2.8-liter turbo-diesel engine is optional on the SE and SXT and generates 130 kW (177 hp DIN) @ 3,800 rpm and 460 N•m (339 lb.-ft.) of torque @ 2,000 rpm.

The 4.0-liter V-6 petrol engine is optional on Dodge Nitro SXT. The engine delivers 191 kW (260 hp DIN) @ 6,000 rpm and 360 N•m (265 lb.-ft.) of torque @ 4,000 rpm.

The Dodge Nitro features a coil-spring independent front suspension and a five-link, coil-spring rear suspension. The independent front suspension gives the driver an optimum combination of ride, handling and steering, which provides a greater sense of control and precision. The solid five-link rear suspension, including upper and lower trailing links and track bar, provides higher lateral stiffness for vehicle responsiveness and outstanding handling.

A performance suspension is offered on the Dodge Nitro SLT and R/T models. This suspension emphasizes responsive, fun-to-drive handling accompanied by a firm ride.

Dodge Nitro features a part-time four-wheel-drive system. Two-wheel- and four-wheel-drive lock modes are electronically controlled by a switch in the center console, which may be selected at any time with the part-time four-wheel drive system.

From a safety standpoint, four-wheel-disc anti-lock brakes (ABS), Brake Assist, Electronic Stability Control (ESC), Electronic-roll Mitigation (ERM) and All-speed traction control are offered.

Dodge Nitro

AT A GLANCE

Bold, powerful, street-smart design statement ignites midsize SUV segment

- Dodge Nitro's design is unlike any other midsize SUV. Dodge Nitro's bold styling and aggressive stance are what make the vehicle stand out in a crowd
- Signature Dodge crosshair grille, high beltline and strong wheel forms establish the vehicle's confidence

Dodge Nitro is the first midsize SUV for Dodge

- Dodge Nitro continues the brand's history of creating game-changing products and features

Five-passenger Dodge Nitro designed to attract customers seeking distinctive style, sporty performance and cargo flexibility

- The interior of the five-passenger Dodge Nitro is spacious, functional and flexible for people and cargo
- Dodge Nitro has innovative cargo seating flexibility and fold-flat front-passenger and second-row seats. Second-row seats recline for added passenger comfort
- The Dodge Nitro offers three models – Nitro SE, Nitro SLT and Nitro R/T
- Dodge Nitro SXT's optional 4.0-liter SOHC V-6 engine, performance suspension and 20-inch chrome-clad aluminum wheels and performance tires redefine the mid-size SUV driving experience
- Options include power sun roof, leather seats, heated front seats, remote start, ParkSense® rear-park assist, Uconnect™ Phone, eight premium speakers, subwoofer and 368-watt amplifier, Uconnect Navigation

Excellent acceleration, braking and handling

- Dodge Nitro features a performance suspension for improved cornering and increased traction and an independent front and five-link rear suspension system
- Three V-6 engines are offered:
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 - o 4.0-liter SOHC V-6 delivers 191 kW (260 hp DIN) @ 6,000 rpm and 360 N•m (265 lb.-ft.) of torque @ 4,000 rpm
 - o 2.8-liter turbo-diesel engine is optional and generates 130 kW (177 hp DIN) @ 3,800 rpm and 460 N•m (339 lb.-ft.) of torque @ 2,000 rpm
- Safety and security features include Anti-lock Brake System (ABS), Brake Assist, all-speed traction control, Electronic Stability Control (ESC), Electronic-roll Mitigation (ERM) and front and side-curtain air bags
- The 2WD position is for normal driving and achieves optimal fuel economy. Its front drive-shaft is disengaged from the transfer case and power is directed to the rear wheels
- The 4WD lock position locks the front and rear wheels together and forces the front and rear wheels to rotate at the same speed. This position is intended for loose or slippery road surfaces only

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