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Shopping for your next sedan is an exciting time, and with so many great models on today's market, it can be fun exploring your options. However, not many can bring it like the 2018 Volkswagen Passat. With its spacious interior, sleek exterior design, state-of-the-art technology features, and excellent fuel economy ratings, the Volkswagen Passat sets the tone for the ideal midsize car.

In this guide to all things VW Passat, you'll learn about the features that make this model stand out in its class. From learning specific interior dimensions and exploring the engine options to finding out about technology features that will keep you and your loved ones safe, this is your map to the VW Passat—and possibly your new vehicle!



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2018 Volkswagen Passat: Overview

Seating	5
Cargo Space	15.9 ft ³
Base Engine	2.0L turbocharged 4-cylinder
EPA-estimated MPG Rating	25/36 MPG city/highway ¹
Infotainment System	Yes

Inside the 2018 VW Passat

The 2018 Volkswagen Passat is your commuting cruiser and family-friendly vehicle all in one. With enough space to pile in your soccer players for game day or pick up your friends for a road trip, you won't be disappointed. Plus, the advanced technology features in the VW Passat will provide all the entertainment you'll need, along with some extra driver's assistance.



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Style and Comfort

The Volkswagen Passat boasts a cabin that's designed with style in mind. With available wood trim and aluminum accents, you'll get an upscale feel with a modern touch. Leather upholstery is also available, with optional heated front seats, and in certain trims, rear seats. With Climatronic® dual-zone automatic climate control, you can ensure that everyone will be comfortable on even your longest drives.

Interior Dimensions

With comfort comes space, and the VW Passat has plenty of it. Check out the chart below for specific dimensions in passenger and cargo space, and see how much you can fit the next time you're headed on a family vacation.

Front Headroom	38.3"	Second Shoulder Room	57"
Front Shoulder Room	56.9"	Second Legroom	39.1"
Front Legroom	42.4"	Total Passenger Volume	102 ft ³
Second Headroom	37.8"	Trunk Volume	15.9 ft ³

As you can see, you'll do just fine in the VW Passat with a car full of passengers and their belongings while you cruise in style from one destination to the next!



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Tech-Savvy Cruising

The Volkswagen Passat rounds out the cabin with advanced technology features that will keep your drives both convenient and entertaining. With a standard 5-inch touchscreen infotainment system, you can stay connected to your apps and music via VW Car-Net® App-Connect. This state-of-the-art technology allows integration with your smartphone through programs like Apple CarPlay™, Android Auto™, or MirrorLink®. With these features, you can select your apps right on your touchscreen, keeping your drive safer and more convenient.

Another available technology feature is the VW Car-Net® Guide & Inform system. This enhanced system offers more convenience features, such as navigation with traffic, along with the current weather conditions, sports scores, and more! Add this to the Fender® Premium Audio System, and you'll put the fun back in driving.



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VW Passat Power & Performance

When you're looking for a sedan, you might want something a bit smaller—that is, everywhere except under the hood. The Volkswagen Passat offers optimum power and performance ratings, with two great engines to choose from, along with excellent fuel economy ratings.

You can choose from two engine options that power the VW Passat:

- ***A 2.0L turbocharged 4-cylinder that puts out 174 horsepower and 184 lb-ft of torque***
- ***A 3.6L V6 that puts out an impressive 280 horsepower and 258 lb-ft of torque***

Each engine option is a superior choice, based on just how much power you're looking for. When it comes to MPG ratings, you get an EPA-estimated 25/36 MPG city/highway¹ with the turbocharged option, and an EPA-estimated 19/28 MPG city/highway² when you go for the V6.

The VW Passat is also the ideal sedan for when you want to make your rides a little bit sportier. With its athletic style and agile cruising abilities, it'll take you from Point A to Point B with ease. Plus, the available paddle shifters will allow you to change gears while keeping your hands on the wheel and your eyes on the road.



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Staying Safe

The most important features to consider when looking at your next vehicle are those that will keep you and your passengers safe while on the road. Luckily, the Volkswagen Passat was designed with safety in mind, and its advanced technology will bring you plenty of driver assistance features.

Every VW Passat comes standard with a rearview camera and the Intelligent Crash Response System. This innovative technology detects when the airbags have been deployed and unlocks the doors, disables the fuel pump, and turns on the hazard lights to ensure an ultimate safety situation for you and your loved ones.



Active Safety Features

The VW Passat also offers a variety of active driver assistance features that will serve as your extra set of eyes while on the road. Such features include:

- **Blind Spot Monitoring** alerts you of vehicles in your blind spot.
- **Adaptive Cruise Control** aids in maintaining enough distance between you and the car in front of you.
- **Lane Assist or Lane Departure Warning** detects if you're drifting into another lane and alerts you to shift back to your current lane.
- **Park Assist** lets you know if a parking spot is big enough for your vehicle.
- **Front Assist or Forward Collision Warning** will alert you if your vehicle is too close to the vehicle in front of you or if a collision may occur.
- **Rear Traffic Alert** will alert you to vehicles that are potentially too close to your vehicle when backing up.

Thanks to these great safety features and secure design, the VW Passat was given a 5-Star Overall Safety Rating from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which will give you extra peace of mind that this vehicle is equipped to take on any potential situation on the road.



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VW Passat: A Trim Level for Every Preference

The Volkswagen Passat doesn't just offer a variety of features; it comes in several different trim levels, too. Each trim level offers a unique approach to the model and will have you feeling like it was built personally for you.

Volkswagen Passat S

As the base level of the VW Passat lineup, this trim level is anything but underwhelming. With the 5-inch touchscreen infotainment system, along with the turbocharged engine and standard Intelligent Crash Response System, the VW Passat S trim holds its own on the market.



Volkswagen Passat R-Line

Take the base level, add leatherette upholstery, a 6.3-inch touchscreen, Apple CarPlay™, Android Auto™, and MirrorLink®, and you've got yourself the next VW Passat trim level. Let's not forget about the heated front seats, along with several active safety features that come standard, as well.



Volkswagen Passat SE

The VW Passat SE takes the standard features of the VW Passat S and VW Passat R-Line, and adds a standard sunroof, keyless entry, and push-button start—that's plenty of convenience in one vehicle.



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Volkswagen Passat GT

The VW Passat GT is for the inner race car driver in us. It comes standard with the V6 engine option, along with a dual-clutch automatic transmission and the standard features in the previous trim levels.



Volkswagen Passat SEL Premium

As the top-of-the-line trim, the VW Passat SEL Premium really brings it home with standard leather upholstery, the Fender® Premium Audio System, an infotainment system with navigation, and several standard active safety features.



Check Out a 2018 Volkswagen Passat Near You

Now that you know the ins and outs of the 2018 Volkswagen Passat, it's time to take one for a test drive! The best way to find out if a vehicle is right for you is by checking it out in person. Search for a Volkswagen dealer near you to see how you can get into a VW Passat today!



¹ 25 city/36 highway MPG (2018 Passat 2.0L, 6-speed automatic transmission). EPA estimates. Your mileage will vary and depends on several factors, including your driving habits and vehicle condition.

² 19 city/28 highway MPG (2018 Passat 3.6L, 6-speed automatic transmission). EPA estimates. Your mileage will vary and depends on several factors, including your driving habits and vehicle condition.



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