



EXPLORER



EXPLORER XLT
WITH OPTIONAL ROOF RACK

FORD EXPLORER IS THE ONLY FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE THAT THINKS FOR ITSELF.

THE NEW FORD EXPLORER IS MUCH MORE THAN JUST ANOTHER FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE WAGON. TO BEGIN WITH, IT HAS AN 'INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS' SYSTEM CALLED CONTROL TRAC. EACH EXPLORER HAS A POWERFUL 4-LITRE V6 ENGINE AND, UNIQUE IN THIS CLASS OF VEHICLE, THE OPTION OF A 5-SPEED AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION (STANDARD ON THE LIMITED). BUT EXPLORER ALSO GIVES YOU A LOT MORE, INCLUDING A CHOICE OF THREE

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LEATHER STANDARD IN
EXPLORER LIMITED

MODELS; THE XL, XLT AND THE LIMITED.

AND ALTHOUGH THE EXPLORER IS NEW TO AUSTRALIA, IT'S BY NO MEANS AN UNTRIED DESIGN. IT'S SOLD IN SIXTY COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD AND, IN FACT, IT'S THE WORLD'S BEST SELLING FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE.

THIS VERSION THOUGH, IS UNIQUE; A NUMBER OF SPECIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN CHANGED AND COMPONENTS RE-ENGINEERED TO MAKE SURE THE EXPLORER THRIVES IN AUSTRALIAN CONDITIONS.

FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE OUTSIDE, SEDAN COMFORT INSIDE.

IN THE EXPLORER, THE ONLY THING THAT TELLS YOU YOU'RE IN A FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE WAGON, IS A DISCREET SWITCH ON THE DASH WHICH LETS YOU SWITCH TO 4WD HIGH OR 4WD LOW. AND YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO TOUCH THAT; YOU CAN LEAVE EVERYTHING TO CONTROL TRAC.

AIR CONDITIONING AND AN AM/FM RADIO/CASSETTE PLAYER ARE STANDARD

EQUIPMENT ON THE EXPLORER.

SO IS A LOT OF INTERIOR SPACE.

THE LOAD AREA BEHIND 60/40 SPLIT REAR SEATS IS BIG; WITH THE SEATS FOLDED DOWN, IT'S ENORMOUS. ACCESS TO IT IS VIA THE TAILGATE, BUT IF YOU WANT TO DROP SMALL ITEMS IN THE BACK, YOU CAN LEAVE THE TAILGATE



SHUT AND JUST OPEN ITS WINDOW. IT'S A THOUGHTFUL PIECE OF DESIGN AND YOU'LL FIND THE EXPLORER IS FULL OF THEM.

SAFETY FIRST. AND FOREMOST.

SAFETY SYSTEMS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE EXPLORER. THE BUMPERS,



POWERFUL V6
ENGINE



FRONT AND REAR, HIDE DEFORMABLE CRUMPLE ZONES. ANTI-LOCK BRAKES AND DUAL AIRBAGS ARE STANDARD EQUIPMENT AND THE ENTIRE PASSENGER COMPARTMENT IS SURROUNDED BY A MASSIVELY STRONG, STEEL FRAMEWORK.

ADD THE FACT THAT YOU SIT HIGHER THAN IN MOST VEHICLES ON THE ROAD AND YOU CAN SEE THE EXPLORER IS A GREAT PLACE TO BE.

HOW CONTROL TRAC WORKS.

UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS, NEARLY ALL EXPLORER'S POWER GOES TO THE REAR WHEELS.



THE INSTANT CONTROL TRAC'S ELECTRONIC SENSORS DETECT THAT THE REAR WHEELS ARE ABOUT TO SLIP, THEY TRANSFER SOME ENGINE POWER TO THE FRONT WHEELS.

AND IT ALL HAPPENS IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE.

CONTROL TRAC IS MUCH BETTER THAN PART-TIME FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE, BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE TO SHIFT INTO FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE; THE SYSTEM DOES IT FOR YOU.

AND IT'S BETTER THAN FULL-TIME FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE, BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE THE PENALTY OF HEAVY FUEL CONSUMPTION AND MECHANICAL NOISE THAT'S INHERENT IN FULL-TIME FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE SYSTEMS.

EXPLORER REALLY DOES GIVE YOU THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS.

STANDARD FEATURES

CONTROL TRAC

FOUR-LITRE V6 ENGINE

AIR CONDITIONING

ANTI-LOCK BRAKES

DUAL AIRBAGS

FOUR WHEEL DISC BRAKES

LIMITED SLIP DIFFERENTIAL

POWER STEERING

TWO STAGE TAILGATE

DRIVING LIGHTS

FOUR SPEAKER AM/FM STEREO

60/40 SPLIT REAR SEAT

OPTIONAL 5-SPEED AUTOMATIC

AN AIRBAG COMPATIBLE

FACTORY APPROVED BULLBAR,

A TOWBAR AND

A THIRD ROW SEAT ARE

AVAILABLE IN 1997.



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YOUR NEW EXPLORER.

THE NEW FORD EXPLORER.



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Ford Explorer Specifications

FEATURES:	XL	XLT	Limited	FEATURES:	XL	XLT	Limited	FEATURES:	XL	XLT	Limited
MECHANICAL				SAFETY AND SECURITY (cont)				INTERIOR (cont)			
4.0 litre OHV EFI V6	•	•		Grab handles front and rear (on out-board seats)	•	•	•	Digital clock	•	•	•
4.0 litre SOHC EFI V6			•					Rear radio controls	•	•	•
5 speed manual transmission	•	•		EXTERIOR				CFC-free air conditioning	•	•	•
5 speed electronic control automatic transmission			•	High mounted stop light (rear)	•	•	•	4 speed booster fan	•	•	•
Long and short arm front suspension	•	•	•	Chrome grille	•	•		6 speed booster fan			•
Front stabiliser bar	•	•	•	Grille insert area Argent colour	•	•		Automatic climate control			•
Limited slip rigid rear axle	•	•	•	Grille and insert area body colour			•	Rear heater/cooling ducts			•
Rear stabiliser bar	•	•	•	Grey upper bumper colour	•	•		Power sunroof (f)			•
Adaptive suspension/automatic ride control			•	Body colour upper bumper colour			•	Intermittent wipers	•	•	•
Heavy duty gas shock absorbers	•	•	•	Chrome bumper centre	•	•		Intermittent rear wiper	•	•	•
Power assisted steering	•	•	•	Body colour bumper centre	•	•	•	Dual windscreen wiper/washers	•	•	•
Four wheel disc brakes	•	•	•	Black windscreen moulding	•	•	•	Power windows			•
Traction control (control trac 4x4)	•	•	•	Blackout B pillar	•	•	•	Power window lockout			•
				Blackout D pillar	•	•	•	Power door locks			•
SAFETY AND SECURITY				Rocker Tu-tone		•		Remote entry			•
Driver and front passenger air bag	•	•	•	Grey colour bodyside protection mouldings		•		Illuminated entry and delay	•	•	•
Anti-lock brakes	•	•	•	Body colour bodyside protection moulding			•	Driver footrest	•	•	•
Seat belt web grabbers (on out board seats)	•	•	•	Stylish bodyside pin striping		•	•	60/40 split rear seat	•	•	•
Smart tint side and rear glass	•	•	•	Wheel arch extensions	•	•	•	Tilt adjust steering		•	•
Dual horns	•	•	•	Rocker panel mouldings	•	•		Small storage box between front seats	•	•	•
Front and rear door reflectors	•	•	•	Rear mud flaps	•	•	•	Centre console storage	•	•	•
Seat belt warning chime	•	•	•	Running boards	•	•	•	Front overhead console			•
Anti submerging front seats	•	•	•	Body coloured door handles	•	•	•	Front door map pockets driver/passenger		•	•
Panic security alarm			•	Driving lights	•	•	•	Seat back pockets	•	•	•
Brake system fail, parking brake seat belt, door/liftgate ajar warning lights	•	•	•	Front and rear tow hooks	•	•	•	Manual seat adjustments	•		•
Auto headlamp on/off	•	•	•	15" x 7" styled steel wheels	•			Power lumbar adjustment driver/passenger		•	•
Battery saver (auto lights off)	•	•	•	15" x 7" cast alloy wheels (h)		•	•	Three position memory on driver seat			•
Head light warning chime	•	•	•	15" x 7" luxury cast alloy wheels (h)				Six way driver power seat adjust		•	•
Key-in-ignition warning chime	•	•	•	P235/75 R 15 Firestone	•	•	•	Power rear exterior mirrors		•	•
Retractable cargo cover		•	•	Wilderness AT tyres (All-Terrain)	•	•	•	Leather wrapped steering wheel		•	•
Luggage compartment cargo tie downs	•	•	•	Trailer tow preparation package	•	•	•	Lower carpet on door trims		•	•
Skid plate cover over fuel tank	•	•	•	INTERIOR				Sports cloth seat trim	•	•	•
Skid plate cover over transfer case	•	•	•	Premium 80 watt AM/FM radio/cassette CD compatible with 4 speakers	•	•	•	Leather trim			•
				CD player (6 stacker)			•	Leather door trim panels			•
				Cruise Control		•	•	Roof rack			•
				Tachometer	•	•	•	16oz deluxe carpet	•	•	•
				Oil pressure gauge	•	•	•	18oz luxury carpet			•
				Battery gauge	•	•	•	Front door puddle lights		•	•
								Power outlet 12 volt	•	•	•

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Engine	XL/XLT 4.0 LITRE V6 OHV	LIMITED 4.0 LITRE V6 SOHC
Bore & stroke (mm)	100.3 x 84.1	100.1 x 84.1
Cylinder head	OHV	SOHC
Displacement (cc)	3997	4011
Compression ratio	9.0:1	9.7:1
Fuel system	Electronic Fuel Injection	
Fuel (octane rating)	91	91
Max power output DIN kW/rpm	119/4200	130/5000
Max torque DIN Nm/rpm	305/2800	334/4000
Cylinders	V6	V6

Steering

Power assisted rack and pinion	
Lock to lock (turns)	3
Minimum turning circle (metres)	12.4 kerb to kerb
Steering ratio	17:1

Dimensions	XL	XLT	LIMITED
Exterior (mm)			
Overall length	4788	4788	4788
Overall height	1717	1717	1717
Overall width	1874	1874	1874
Wheelbase	2832	2832	2832
Front track	1494	1494	1494
Rear track	1486	1486	1486
Front overhang	858	858	858
Rear overhang	1087	1087	1087
Ground clearance	195	195	195 (g)
Interior (mm)			
Front headroom	1013	1013	1013
Front legroom	1077	1077	1077
Front shoulder room	1450	1450	1450
Front hiproom	1318	1318	1318
Rear headroom	998	998	998
Rear legroom	958	958	958
Rear shoulder room	1448	1448	1448
Rear hiproom	1313	1313	1313

General

Fuel tank capacity (litres)	80	80	80
Luggage capacity (litres)	1206 (a)	1206 (a)	1206 (a)
	2310 (b)	2310 (b)	2310 (b)
Kerb weight (kg)	1922 (c)	1936 (c)	1936 (c)
	1944 (d)	1958 (d)	2018 (d)
Gross vehicle Mass (GVM)	2440 (e)	2450 (e)	2522 (e)
	2468 (f)	2477 (f)	2522 (f)
Approach angle	32°	32°	32°
Departure angle	23° (a)	23° (e)	23° (e)(g)

Suspension

Front	Rear
• Short and long arm (SLA)	• Rigid axle
• Stabilizer Bar	• Leaf springs

Brakes

- Three channel anti-lock brakes with electronic control module and hydraulic actuator
- Front ventilated discs, diameter 236mm
- Rear solid discs, diameter 235mm

Transmissions and Ratios

	5 Speed Manual	5 Speed Electronic controlled automatic
1st gear ratio	3.40	3.47
2nd gear ratio	2.05	1.95
3rd gear ratio	1.31	1.27
4th gear ratio	1.00	1.00
5th gear ratio	0.79	0.75
Reverse ratio	3.402:1	2.14
Final drive ratio	3.73	3.73
Transfer gear ratio high/low	1.00/2.48:1	1.00/2.48:1

Options

- 5 speed electronic control automatic/4.0 litre V6 SOHC engine
- Large storage box and rear radio controls are part of the automatic V6 SOHC engine package

Towing Capacity (Subject to applicable State and Territory regulations)

- Ford approved tow bar
- 2380 towing capacity (manual), 2500 towing capacity (automatic)
 - An accessory tow bar is available from your Authorised Ford Dealer, fitting to be arranged by the purchaser. Consult your Authorised Ford Dealer for the latest information with respect to the specifications and the availability of the accessory tow bar. The actual towing capability and performance of a vehicle will depend on many factors including the suitability of the caravan, trailer, and the conditions, road, gradient, terrain and other prevailing conditions.

Selected Fuel Consumption Data

This data is based on AS2877 Tests conducted for Ford

	OHV	SOHC
CITY	14.1	14.6
HIGHWAY	9.7	9.9

These figures are provided to assist you in comparing the fuel consumption of Explorer with other vehicles. The actual fuel consumption you achieve will depend, however, on many factors, including your driving habits, the prevailing conditions and your vehicles equipment, condition and use.

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Footnotes:

- With rear air conditioning
- With seat belts (4 in 4 seats)
- Manual transmission
- Automatic transmission
- Leisure to exhaust
- Turnout times and speeds to be at least 100km/h
- Limited low speed suspension
- See spare wheel

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