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ŠKODA FABIA: bestseller with a fresh design and technological update

- > New design for the front and rear, headlights and rear lights with LED technology
- Additional assistance systems, a new Swing Plus infotainment system with a 6.5-inch display, and more 'Simply Clever' features

Mladá Boleslav/Geneva, 5 March 2018 – ŠKODA AUTO is presenting the comprehensively revised ŠKODA FABIA at the 2018 Geneva International Motor Show. The Czech car manufacturer has upgraded its successful model from the small car segment with fresh design highlights and numerous technical innovations. In addition to the front and rear sections, the interior has also been redesigned. The ŠKODA FABIA now features LED headlights and LED rear lights as well as additional driver assistance systems. ŠKODA Connect and an expanded range of 'Simply Clever' features round off the driving experience.

The modified design of the front and rear bumper as well as the reshaped headlights and fog lights make for an attractive appearance. For the first time, LED headlights and LED rear lights are available for the ŠKODA FABIA. The extended range of alloy wheels available for the hatchback includes 18-inch wheels amongst other sizes. The newly designed instrument cluster, new decorative strips for the dashboard and two-tone seat surfaces all contribute to the interior's refined appearance.

By expanding its range of driver assistance systems, ŠKODA AUTO is once again transferring advanced vehicle technologies usually seen in higher vehicle segments into the small car segment. While Blind Spot Detect alerts the driver to vehicles travelling in their blind spot on multi-lane roads, Rear Traffic Alert monitors what is happening behind the car and warns the driver of any risk of a collision when reversing. In addition, Light Assist will be available from now on.

The new Swing Plus infotainment system features a 6.5-inch display. This also enables the use of connectivity features such as SmartLink+ or a Bluetooth connection for your smartphone.

The range of 'Simply Clever' features in the ŠKODA FABIA has been expanded once again. As an option, the rear can be equipped with two USB ports. The boot now comes with an optional double-sided boot liner. A removable LED torch can be found in the side compartment of the ŠKODA FABIA COMBI's boot.



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Design: dynamic exterior and customisable interior

- > Modifications to the radiator grille as well as the front and rear bumpers
- > Newly designed LED headlights and rear lights refine the small car's profile
- > New alloys, in an 18-inch format for the hatchback model
- > ŠKODA FABIA MONTE CARLO emphasises sporty features with redesigned front, and black roof spoiler
- > Extensive selection of new seat upholstery, Suedia seats for Style trim level

Compact proportions, striking lines and a dynamic design language characterise the exterior of the ŠKODA FABIA. Thanks to the newly designed front and rear section, as well as new alloys, the small car now comes across as even more dynamic. From now on, the revised FABIA is also available with LED headlights and LED rear lights as an option. In the interior, a wide range of seat covers and decorative trims provides an ambience that is as fresh as it is elegant. The redesigned instrument cluster and the illuminated storage compartment in the centre console are both visual highlights.

Thanks to the newly designed front, the revised ŠKODA FABIA now comes across as even more high quality. The more finely drawn front bumper and the vertical slats in the radiator grille make for an elegant appearance. The headlights are now available with LED technology as an option, and exhibit crystalline features in typical ŠKODA style. The fog lights have also been redesigned and emphasise the front section's more mature character.

LED rear lights and new alloys

The ŠKODA FABIA's LED rear lights make their brand-typical C-shape stand out even more clearly. The rear bumper featuring integrated reflectors also emphasises elegance. The range of optional alloy wheels has also been updated and comprehensively expanded. Now, the ŠKODA FABIA is also available with the 18-inch 'Vega' alloy wheels (only for the hatchback).

The colour concept allows the exterior of the ŠKODA FABIA to be customised even more. For the hatchback model, the roof, A-pillars, wing mirrors and the optional 16-inch 'Vigo' alloy wheels can all be painted in a choice of black, white or silver.

New touches in the interior: modern, high quality and functional

The ŠKODA FABIA's interior presents itself as high quality and functional. The Active, Ambition and Style trim levels as well as the MONTE CARLO model variant all offer a variety of customisation options for the interior, and there are also numerous additional options available. Two-tone seat upholstery and contrasting stitching on the door armrests provide fresh flair. From now on, the seat cover combination of Suedia/fabric is available in the Style trim level. On the optional sports seats, this Suedia/fabric cover combination is adorned with contrasting red stitching.

Dashboard with new decorative trims and redesigned instrument cluster

The range of decorative strips available for the dashboard is now even wider and the instrument cluster wows with redesigned round instruments and displays – now even easier to read.



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The operation of the electric windows has also been optimised. The side windows can now be fully opened or closed with a single press of a button. When a certain amount of pressure is applied to the button, the windows fully open or close, without the button having to be kept held down.

ŠKODA FABIA MONTE CARLO – lifestyle with a sporty touch

The sporty touch exhibited by the ŠKODA FABIA MONTE CARLO lifestyle variant is emphasised by a newly designed front and a black roof spoiler. The ŠKODA FABIA MONTE CARLO's sports seats also underline its dynamic appearance: they are covered in red / satin black carbon leather and feature contrasting white stitching. The plastic strips integrated into the seat upholstery are used in the FABIA for the first time and create a particularly striking visual highlight. The roof lining, A-pillars and centre console all come in black. In addition, the interior of the FABIA MONTE CARLO is characterised by a carbon fibre-design decorative strip as well as contrasting red stitching on the door trims and the centre armrest.



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Body: a spacious car despite compact dimensions

- > Compact dimensions, generous amount of space
- > Interior offers space for five people and a variable boot
- > ŠKODA FABIA features one of the largest boots in its segment

With its compact dimensions, the ŠKODA FABIA is easy and comfortable to drive, and nimble when travelling in city traffic. The brand-typical, generously sized interior provides plenty of space for up to five occupants. This is combined with one of the largest boots within its segment and therefore makes the ŠKODA FABIA the ideal companion for everyday life and leisure time.

With its agile driving characteristics and versatile interior, the ŠKODA FABIA is ideally equipped to face any challenge. Thanks to its short overhangs, it's also not a problem to find a place to park in the city centre. And yet, despite a compact exterior length of 3,997 mm for the hatchback and 4,262 mm for the Combi, the FABIA offers a generously sized interior.

A generous amount of space for five occupants

The generous amount of space for up to five occupants makes it immediately clear: the revised FABIA is also a true ŠKODA on the inside. The interior length is 1,674 mm, whilst the elbow room is 1,401 mm in the front and 1,386 mm in the rear. The front doors have enough storage space for 1.5-litre bottles; the rear door trims provide space for 0.5-litre bottles.

One of the largest boots in the small car segment

The interior of the ŠKODA FABIA is also versatile thanks to the particularly spacious boot. The hatchback offers a minimum of 330 I of storage space. Folding down the rear seats, which can be split in a ratio of 40:60, increases the boot capacity to 1,150 I. Due to its 960-mm-wide opening, the FABIA's boot is always easy to load. As a result, the FABIA is equipped with one of the largest boots in its segment.

With a capacity of 530 I to 1,395 I, the ŠKODA FABIA COMBI offers an even more generous luggage compartment. With a wide-opening tailgate, low loading sill and a 960-mm-wide opening, even bulky items can be comfortably stowed in the boot.



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New driver assistance systems and technologies: improved comfort and safety

- > Wide range of driver assistance systems
- > Innovative technology from higher vehicle segments
- Blind Spot Detect, Rear Traffic Alert (low) and Light Assist expand the range of driver assistance systems
- > LED headlights with AFS technology

Additional driver assistance systems increase the level of comfort and safety in the ŠKODA FABIA. The small car also uses innovative technologies usually only found in higher vehicle segments. The LED headlights, which are available for the ŠKODA FABIA for the first time, come with adaptive lighting control. Also new: Blind Spot Detect, Rear Traffic Alert and Light Assist now make driving in the ŠKODA FABIA even more effortless, safer and more comfortable in different traffic situations.

The revised ŠKODA FABIA offers comprehensive passive and active safety. Standard features include Electronic Stability Control with ABS, EBC, ASR traction control, EBD, and HBA; Multi-Collision Brake; XDS electronic differential lock; Isofix anchors for two child seats in the rear seats; tyre pressure monitoring and six airbags. Adaptive Cruise Control, rear-view camera, parking sensors, Front Assist with integrated City Emergency Brake, the Driver Alert fatigue detection system, Easy Light Assist, Light and Rain Assist, High-Beam Assist, Blind Spot Detect, Rear Traffic Alert (low), Speedlimiter and Hill-Hold Control are all optional.

Blind Spot Detect

The optional Blind Spot Detect function improves safety when driving on multi-lane roads and when overtaking. Radar sensors monitor the traffic situation behind and next to the car. An LED light in the wing mirror warns of vehicles that are in the blind spot or approaching rapidly from behind.

Rear Traffic Alert (low)

Rear Traffic Alert uses radar sensors at the rear to monitor what is happening behind the car when reversing out of parking spaces or driveways. An acoustic alert and a visual signal on the in-car monitor warn of any risk of collision.

High-Beam Assist

High-Beam Assist reduces the risk of dazzling other road users when driving in the dark. As soon as the front camera detects oncoming traffic or vehicles ahead, the system automatically switches the headlights to dipped beam. High-Beam Assist is also available for halogen headlights.

LED headlights with AFS technology

The optional LED headlights, which are available for the ŠKODA FABIA for the first time, also come with an adaptive front headlights (AFS) function, which illuminates the road to suit the respective driving situation perfectly. This means that the headlights will always produce the ideal light for journeys on urban roads, through the countryside, on the motorway or when visibility is poor.



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The front headlights have been given a revamp. The entry-level version uses H7 halogen headlights without lenses for the dipped and high beam. These are brighter than the top-of-the-line halogen headlights used in the current version of the ŠKODA FABIA. The daytime running lights use four LED units. Thanks to the improved technology, the new daytime running lights in the revised ŠKODA FABIA are brighter. The top-of-the-line LED headlights have been enhanced with the new cornering function. When turning, it's no longer the respective fog light that automatically illuminates the corner, instead it is an LED built directly into the headlights. All bulbs can now also be changed more easily thanks to their improved positioning.

The redesigned rear light clusters also feature LED technology. The brake lights use six LED units; the rear lights, fed by two LED units, shine in the brand-typical 'C' shape. Both LED units are covered with special sandblasted glass, which makes the lighting surface appear larger. In addition, the structure of the tail lights has been enhanced by crystalline elements typical of the brand. The fog lights are positioned below the tail lights, as opposed to being part of them.



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Infotainment and connectivity: networking increases comfort and the joy of driving

- > A new Swing Plus infotainment system with a 6.5-inch screen
- > Infotainment Online with extended functionality
- > Additional Care Connect Services for locking and unlocking the car
- > Pairing with smartphones and other devices via the ŠKODA Connect App
- > SmartLink+ for integrating Apple CarPlay, Android Auto, MirrorLink[™] and SmartGate

The infotainment systems available for the ŠKODA FABIA impress with perfect connectivity and an abundance of functions. They can be operated via the capacitive touchscreen, which now measures 6.5 inches in the Swing infotainment system. In addition, the range of digital ŠKODA Connect services has been expanded once again.

The revised ŠKODA FABIA offers an even wider range of audio and infotainment systems. In addition to the Blues audio system, customers can now also opt for the Swing, Swing Plus or Amundsen infotainment systems. The Amundsen infotainment system includes a navigation system. Compared to the Swing infotainment system, Swing Plus also offers a Bluetooth connection and SmartLink+ technology.

ŠKODA Connect: more infotainment, more support

The comprehensive ŠKODA Connect Mobile Online Services can be divided into Infotainment Online and Care Connect, and perfectly complement the infotainment offering. The Care Connect services provide extensive support in various situations and are available for the Swing, Swing Plus and Amundsen infotainment systems. The optional Emergency Call offers swift assistance: Emergency Call is automatically activated when a restraint system, such as an airbag, is set off. However, it can also be activated manually. The Proactive Service function allows the driver to arrange and prepare for a service whilst on the move. The Amundsen system additionally allows the Infotainment Online services to be used. The Online Traffic Information feature is new to the ŠKODA FABIA. It provides notification of congested areas in real time.

The **ŠKODA Connect App** makes it possible to remotely check if the car's windows and doors are closed. It also provides information about the current mileage, fuel level, or the remaining range (Remote Access). The new function Remote Lock/Unlock makes it possible to remotely lock and unlock your car. Using the app, navigation destinations can be sent directly to the infotainment system from the user's computer or smartphone.

With the Media Command function newly available for the ŠKODA FABIA, not only passengers in the rear can control the playback of audio and video files on up to two tablets, if the devices are connected with the Amundsen infotainment system via ŠKODA Media Command App and Wi-Fi.

An abundance of infotainment features thanks to SmartLink+

The innovative SmartLink+ technology makes the ŠKODA FABIA a versatile infotainment centre. The system allows Apple CarPlay, Android Auto, MirrorLinkTM and SmartGate to be integrated into the car. A wide range of different infotainment services can be used by connecting a smartphone and opening the relevant app.



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'Simply Clever': even more practical features for everyday life and leisure time

- > Two USB ports in the rear
- > Double-sided boot liner in the boot
- > Boot of the Combi equipped with removable LED torch

Practical features for increased comfort and functionality in everyday life make the ŠKODA brand stand out and are must-haves for the FABIA too. Now there's an even wider range of 'Simply Clever' features.

The ŠKODA FABIA can now be equipped with two USB ports in the rear, allowing passengers, for example, to charge and power their smartphones or other devices.

The boot of the ŠKODA FABIA now comes with a double-sided boot liner.

The ŠKODA FABIA COMBI's 'Simply Clever' features now also include a removable LED torch, which can be found in the side compartment of the boot. Its battery automatically charges when the vehicle is in motion.

The table below offers an overview of numerous further 'Simply Clever' features on board the ŠKODA FABIA and the ŠKODA FABIA COMBI:

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Ticket holder on the A-pillar on the driver's side	✓
High-vis-vest storage in the driver's door	✓
Holders for 1.5-litre bottles in the front doors	✓
Holders for 0.5-litre bottles in the rear doors	
Holder for 1.0-litre bottles in the glove compartment	✓
Retractable and removable boot cover with practical release button	✓
Storage nets on the inside edges of the front seats	
Bag hooks in the boot	
Umbrella holder under the front passenger seat (incl. umbrella)	
Waste bin in the door trim	
Universal holder for multimedia devices	
SmartLink technology enabling the use of smartphone apps	
Adjustable false boot floor (ŠKODA FABIA COMBI)	
Two boot nets (ŠKODA FABIA)	
Three boot nets (ŠKODA FABIA COMBI)	
Boot barrier net (ŠKODA FABIA COMBI)	
Removable LED torch in the boot (ŠKODA FABIA COMBI)	
Two USB ports in the rear	
Double-sided boot liner	
✓ Standard from Active trim level upwards ■ Standard from Ambition trim level upwards	
□ Optional	



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- > currently offers the following model range: CITIGO, FABIA, RAPID, OCTAVIA, KAROQ, KODIAQ and SUPERB.
- > delivered more than 1 million vehicles to customers worldwide in 2017.
- has been part of Volkswagen Group since 1991, one of the most successful vehicle manufacturers in the world. ŠKODA, in association with the Group, independently manufactures and develops vehicles as well as components such as engines and gear transmissions.
- > operates at three locations in the Czech Republic; produces in China, Russia, Slovakia, Algeria and India mainly through Group partnerships, as well as in Ukraine and Kazakhstan with local partners.
- employs over 30,000 people globally and is active in more than 100 markets