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ŠKODA at the 2018 Geneva Motor Show: numerous model updates and a glimpse into the automotive future

- › ŠKODA VISION X will offer a glimpse into future developments in the Czech car manufacturer's model range
- › Premiere of the extensively revised ŠKODA FABIA
- › ŠKODA KODIAQ Laurin & Klement: introduction of the range-topping variant of the sought-after SUV line-up
- › ŠKODA SUPERB: new features such as the KESSY extended security function or ambient lighting connected to Driving Mode Select
- › ŠKODA OCTAVIA RS Challenge Plus package
- › Digital instrument panel now also available for OCTAVIA, SUPERB and KODIAQ model ranges

Mladá Boleslav/Geneva, 5 March 2018 – The Czech car manufacturer ŠKODA presents numerous model updates at the 2018 Geneva International Motor Show. At the exhibition, the spotlight is on the world premiere of the ŠKODA VISION X design study, which offers a look ahead to further developments in the model range. The extensively revised ŠKODA FABIA is making its debut and the ŠKODA KODIAQ Laurin & Klement, the new range-topping variant of the popular SUV model line-up, is being presented to the public for the first time. The ŠKODA OCTAVIA RS comes with a Challenge Plus package. In addition, the digital instrument panel has been introduced to the OCTAVIA, KODIAQ and SUPERB model ranges.

ŠKODA AUTO is keeping a close eye on the future. The Czech car manufacturer's appearance at this year's Geneva International Motor Show (6–18 March 2018) also illustrates this. The centrepiece of the ŠKODA stand is the Innovation Tunnel, where detailed and interactive displays inform visitors about the VISION X study. On the right side of the tunnel smart solutions will be visible. Through a story it will be possible to get information about the ŠKODA AUTO DigiLab apps, the longboard and other new elements. On the opposite side materials used in vehicle production will be shown. The design of interior surfaces will be on show, as will the high quality of the components that have been used. The materials used in the exterior can also be experienced in a variety of ways in the Innovation Tunnel. In addition, ŠKODA is giving visitors a glimpse into the brand's current connectivity and mobility services. At the end of the tunnel, displays and tablets also provide visitors in an interactive way with comprehensive information about the VISION X concept study.

ŠKODA VISION X: an emotionally rich study that focuses on automotive sustainability and agility

In addition to its vision of a modern crossover, the Czech car manufacturer is also providing a glimpse of a third model for the successful SUV family with the ŠKODA VISION X. The study transfers the brand-typical design language used in the SUV models into a further vehicle segment. The VISION X also features crystalline design accents inspired by traditional Bohemian glass art. The large touchscreen display is new and enables a new operating concept in terms of infotainment



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and connectivity. The hybrid drive concept is particularly innovative: it couples a CNG-powered (compressed natural gas), four-cylinder, turbo engine with an electric drive and thereby allows for particularly low fuel consumption and emissions.

ŠKODA FABIA: bestseller in the small car segment with an extensive range of new features

The comprehensively revised ŠKODA FABIA is also making an attractive entrance. A modified design at the front and rear provide the exterior with an appearance that is as elegant as it is dynamic and modern. In addition, LED headlights and LED rear lights are available for the first time. Inside, a newly designed instrument cluster and redesigned seats provide fresh visual highlights. The range of driver assistance systems and 'Simply Clever' features has also been expanded once more.

ŠKODA KODIAQ Laurin & Klement: the exclusive, range-topping variant of the successful SUV model line-up

Distinct design features and a range of exclusive equipment as standard set the ŠKODA KODIAQ Laurin & Klement apart. The top-of-the-line variant of the large SUV features 19-inch 'Sirius' alloy wheels, full-LED headlights, a radiator grille with chromed slats as well as model-specific front and rear bumpers. In the interior, the leather upholstery and uniquely designed decorative strips emphasise the elegant and stylish tone of the ŠKODA KODIAQ Laurin & Klement. The large SUV's engine portfolio has also been updated for the market launch of the ŠKODA KODIAQ Laurin & Klement.

ŠKODA SUPERB and ŠKODA OCTAVIA RS to provide even greater driving fun

From now on a selection of new specification features will be available for the ŠKODA SUPERB, including the KESSY extended security function (Keyless Entry, Start and Exit System) or the ambient lighting, which is connected to Driving Mode Select.

The ŠKODA OCTAVIA RS provides pure driving fun. In Geneva, it is being shown for the first time with the optional Challenge Plus package, which consists of exclusive design and equipment features for both the interior and exterior.

Digital instrument panel available for additional ŠKODA models

The digital instrument panel first introduced in the ŠKODA KAROQ compact SUV will be available for the ŠKODA OCTAVIA, ŠKODA SUPERB and ŠKODA KODIAQ. The panel's displays can be individually programmed; there's a choice of different layouts. The size and positioning of the information displayed can also be freely configured. In addition to speed, rpm, fuel gauge or the navigational destination, information about the sound system, telephone or assistance systems can also be displayed on the screen behind the steering wheel.

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- › is one of the longest-established car manufacturers in the world. The company was founded in 1895 – during the pioneering days of the automobile. Today, the company's headquarters remain in Mladá Boleslav.
- › 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.