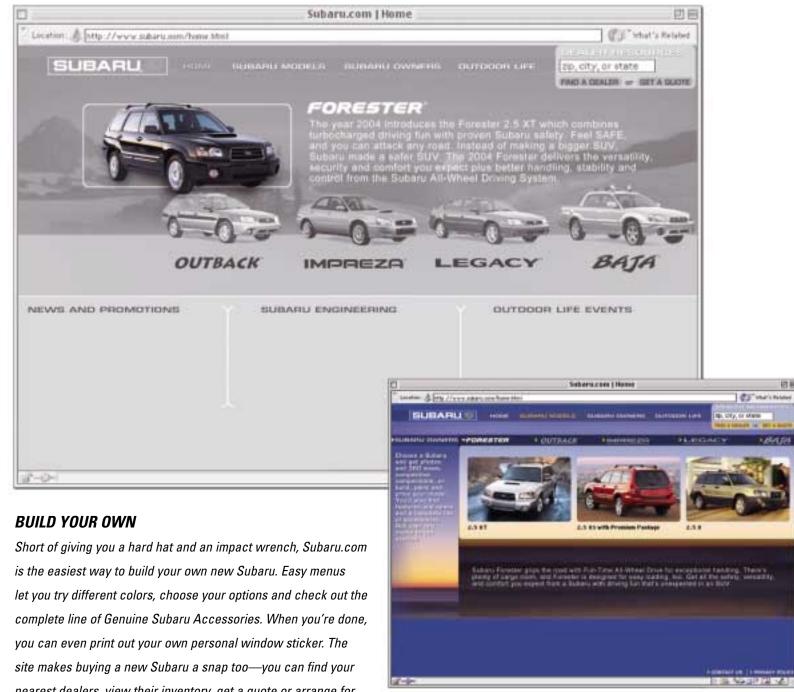
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The standard perforated leather-wrapped steering wheel helps you get a grip on any situation.

LIVING ROOM

You probably spend a lot of time in your vehicle. Doesn't it make sense to be as comfortable as possible? Forester 2.5 XT makes sure it's time well spent, with supportive front bucket seats, including a height-adjustable driver's seat. Forester 2.5 XT with Premium Package brings in the luxury of standard leather-trimmed upholstery, a smooth-shifting 4-speed electronic direct control automatic transmission and a power moonroof. The rear seat offers room for three full-size adults, and features an easy 60/40 split fold-down seatback for versatile cargo carrying. You can feel more secure with front seat head/chest side-impact air bags (SRS)* and active front seat head restraints. You'll also find large sport design instrumentation, easy-to-adjust controls, an automatic climate control system, ambient temperature gauge, audio system with an AM/FM/Weatherband stereo with 6-disc in-dash CD changer and seven speakers including a rear sub-woofer, and power windows, locks and mirrors that make the 2.5 XT your home away from home.

* Always wear seatbelts. Children should be properly restrained in the rear seat.





The Premium Package model provides an expansive power sliding moonroof for an openair environment.



In-cabin entertainment includes an AM/FM/Weatherband stereo with a 6-disc in-dash CD changer and the sweet sounds of separate tweeters and sub-woofer.



In Forester 2.5 XT, an accessory sport-design performance gauge pack displays turbo boost pressure, voltage and oil temperature.



All models feature dual sun visors with covered vanity mirrors and the driver's side adds convenient holders for cards and a pen.





INNER WISDOM

The interior of Forester 2.5 XS and 2.5 XS with Premium Package join common sense with uncommon luxury. You'll find all controls are read quickly, within easy reach, and easily used—even when you are wearing heavy gloves. But take them off—you'll want to feel the steering wheel, shifter handle and parking brake handle, all covered in soft perforated leather. Forester 2.5 XS with Premium Package gives you a power moonroof, a classy monotone exterior and also lets you select optional leather-trimmed upholstery! Marvel at the soft-touch controls of the automatic climate control system and load your favorite music into the AM/FM/Weatherband stereo with 6-disc in-dash CD changer. The standard All-Weather Package includes dual-mode heated front seats to warm you on chilly days.

 ${}^{\dagger} A vailable \ on \ Premium \ Package \ with \ automatic \ transmission \ only.$



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The available electronically controlled 4-speed automatic transmission features a gated shifter design that makes selecting the proper gear simple.

Front seat head/chest side-impact air bags (SRS)* are mounted on the front seats, maintaining optimal placement regardless of seating position.



Subaru Forester features active front seat head restraints to help protect the driver and passenger from whiplash.





OUR LITTLE SECRET

You'll find a horizontally opposed "boxer" engine in every Subaru because it's the best way to design an engine for performance, reliability and, most importantly, superior control. And it's a design that's been tested and proven in the World Rally Championship, one of the most brutal forms of motorsport on the planet. The boxer layout allows us to create a compact powerplant that can be placed further back in the chassis, reducing weight ahead of the front wheels for more responsive handling. A lower center of gravity reduces body roll in turns, and also allows for a lower hoodline for better forward visibility. The Forester 2.5 XT adds a turbocharger with an intercooler to help the engine breathe better for enhanced performance. So even though you may never race in a rally, you win every day you drive a Forester.

SUV or sports car? The 210-horsepower intercooled and turbocharged 2.5-liter boxer engine in Forester 2.5 XT shares technology with the Impreza WRX STI supercar, including Active Valve Control System (AVCS) variable valve timing and Electronic Throttle Control (ETC) for powerful response at any speed.



Forester 2.5 XS and 2.5 XT models feature a standard limited-slip rear differential that further enhances traction. If one rear wheel starts to lose traction, power is automatically diverted to the other rear wheel—all without the need for driver intervention.









GOOD THINGS HAPPEN WHEN EVERYTHING LINES UP

Full-Time All-Wheel Drive plays a huge part in the Forester drivetrain story, but we must credit the supporting players. The symmetrical drivetrain layout puts the boxer engine, front differential, transmission and rear differential all in alignment. That gives Forester a terrific sense of balance. The long travel, 4-wheel fully independent suspension system lets each wheel take bumps and curves without affecting the others. The ride is so smooth and the handling so responsive that you'll wonder if you're driving an SUV or a sport sedan. That's no surprise, since Forester inherits its suspension design from the rally-bred Impreza. In Forester, it's the heavy duty raised type so you can tackle everything from roughed-up city streets to designated off-highway trails with confidence and comfort. Variable ratio rack-and-pinion steering with engine-speed-sensing variable power assist is a mouthful to say, but it's like having two steering systems in one—light and easy for parking and low speed trail driving, and quick and firm for crisp handling on the highway.



The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety gave the 2003 Forester a "Best Pick" designation for the compact SUV segment.*

* For more information, contact the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety or visit their website at www.highwaysafety.org

Subaru AWD smoothly adjusts power to provide the best traction in any weather. For ultimate control, the system drives all four wheels all the time. Subaru AWD constantly monitors conditions and sends power from the wheels that slip to the wheels that grip. Many other AWD systems drive only two wheels until they detect a loss of traction and then respond or must be engaged by the driver.

SNOWY ROAD WET ROAD

The independent suspension's long travel, low-friction design helps absorb forces from ruts and bumps rather than transferring them into the cabin.





Manual transmission Forester models feature a Hill Holder system that helps to prevent rollback when there's nowhere to go but up.



FORESTER FITS YOUR KIND OF FUN

Forester gives you freedom of choice. First, choose the Forester model that fits your needs—the high-value 2.5 X, the up-level 2.5 XS or the very, very sporty turbocharged 2.5 XT. Five-speed manual? Automatic? Take your pick in most any model and get Full-Time All-Wheel Drive in whichever one you choose. Then, feel free to give Forester a personal touch outside and inside with specially designed Genuine Subaru Accessories. There's plenty of space to carry your gear, and Subaru dealers can offer accessories to expand cargo-carrying options. Whether your kind of fun takes you biking, kayaking, skiing, spelunking, antiquing or gardening, your Subaru Sales Consultant can recommend accessories to make Forester work even harder for you.

Dog guard/compartment separator divides pets and cargo from passenger area.*

* Not for use with child seats





Vertical cargo net provides handy storage to help keep items in place within cargo area.

Cargo bin and dividers fold down to a nearly flat surface that matches cargo tray and rubber mats.

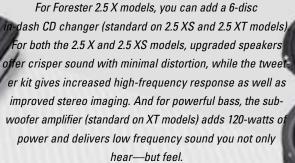




Rear seatback and side cargo nets provide storage to help keep cargo area organized.



You can raise the Forester sound system to audiophile-level performance with the optional audio upgrade components.











Security System Upgrade Kit is designed to work with the standard keyless remote entry system on Forester.











GREAT OUTDOORS

Whether you need to carry bikes, kayaks, skis, snowboards or just want to give your Forester a custom look, Genuine Subaru Accessories are ready to outfit you for your next adventure. And since Subaru designs every accessory to have the same quality, durability, fit and finish as our cars, you get peace of mind knowing that they're covered by the basic vehicle 3-year/36,000-mile limited warranty when installed at the time of vehicle purchase. For complete warranty details, see your Subaru dealer.

Bike hitch/attachment slides into trailer hitch to carry up to two bikes and is designed for easy dismounting of bikes without lifting.*

Trailer hitch is heavy-duty rated at 200 lbs. tongue weight, 2,000 lbs. towing capacity for automatic transmission and 2,400 lbs. for manual transmission.
(Ball not included. Trailer brakes may be needed.)

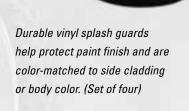


Front-end cover (full) helps protect front of Forester from stone chips and dents and is also available for hood only. (Not applicable for XT models)

> Rear window dust deflector helps keep window clear of dust and debris.



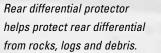
Subaru roof attachments and carriers. (150-lb. capacity)

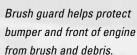


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Roof cargo carrier provides up to 150 lbs. of additional storage capacity.





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ENGINE	2.5 X 2.5 XS 2.5 XS Premium	2.5 XT 2.5 XT Premium
Туре	Horizontally opposed 4-cylinder	Horizontally opposed
	with die-cast aluminum-alloy	4-cylinder intercooled
	block and aluminum-alloy	turbo with die-cast
	cylinder heads	aluminum-alloy block and
		heads and Active Valve
		Control System (AVCS) variable valve timing
Displacement	2.5 liters (150 cubic inches)	2.5 liters (150 cubic inches
Horsepower	165 @ 5600 rpm	210 @ 5600 rpm
Torque (lbft.)	166 @ 4000 rpm	235 @ 3600 rpm
Valvetrain	16-valve with Single Overhead	16-valve with Dual Over-
	Camshaft design (SOHC)	head Camshaft design
		(DOHC)
Fuel System	Sequential multi-port fuel injection	on system
Ignition System	Low-maintenance distributor-	Direct Ignition with
	less electronic	iridium spark plugs
Exhaust System	Standard Type	Turbo Type
Engine	ECM Engine Control Module man	nages fuel injection and
Management	ignition systems and features lea	rning, self-diagnosis,
	limp-home and anti-knock capab	ilities
Fuel Tank Capacity	15.9 gallons	15.9 gallons
2004 EPA Mileage	21/28 (manual)	18/23 (manual)
Estimates (mpg,	22/27 (automatic)	19/23 (automatic)
city/highway)		

DRIVETRAIN	2.5 X 2.5 XS	2.5 XS Premium	2.5 XT	2.5 XT Premium
Manual Transmission (Standard)	5-speed ma	nual with overdrive	overdr (Manu	d manual with ive al N/A on 2.5 XT ım Package)
Automatic Transmission (Optional)	automatic w Automatic p	th rapid use of the	Direct (option) standar Premiu Automa engage	d electronic Control automatic al on 2.5 XT; rd on 2.5 XT m Package) atic power mode es with rapid use of celerator pedal.
All-Wheel Drive (AWD)	between from Manual translocking central Automatic to managed co	MD system automatica ont and rear wheels ba nsmission models have ter differential. ransmission models ha ontinuously variable tra 2.5 XT models have a li	sed on tr e a viscou ave an el ansfer clu	action needs: us-coupling ectronically utch.

CHASSIS Body Construction	2.5 X 2.5 XS 2.5 XS Premium Unitized with hydroformed front su crumple zones and aluminum-allo 72% of body sheet metal is two-sic	y hood.	
Suspension	Fully independent, heavy-duty raised type with coil springs and struts Front: lower L-arms with liquid-filled rear bushings and stabilizer bar Rear: parallel links and stabilizer bar		
Brakes	Power-assisted with dual diagona 4-channel/4-sensor Anti-lock Bral Electronic Brake-force Distributio Front: 11.4-inch ventilated discs w Rear: 9.0-inch drums (2.5 X); 10.3-i	king System (ABS) n (EBD) (2.5 XS and 2.5 XT) rith twin-piston-calipers	
Steering	Variable ratio rack-and-pinion with power assist	h engine-speed-sensing	
Turning Circle, Curb-to-Curb	34.8 ft.—all models		
Wheels	2.5 X: 16x6.5-inch styled steel with 2.5 XS: 16x6.5-inch aluminum-alloy 2.5 XT: 16x6.5-inch aluminum-alloy	/ 5-spoke design	
Tires	215/60R16 94H M+S all-season radials with raised white letters and full-size spare	215/60R16 94H M+S all-season radials with raised black letters and full-size spare	

DIMENSIONS (inches unless otherwise no		2.5 XS	2.5 XS Premium	2.5 XT	2.5 XT Premium	
Wheelbase/Length	99.4/17	5.2–all	models			
Width/Height	68.3/65	68.3/65.0-all models				
Track: Front/Rear	58.9/58	58.9/58.5–all models				
Minimum Road Clearance	7.5 (at	7.5 (at curb weight)–all models				
Headroom: Front: Rear:			n moonroof [†]) n moonroof [†])			
Legroom: Front/Rear	43.6/33	43.6/33.7–all models				
Shoulder Room: Front/Rear	53.5/53.6–all models					
Curb Weight (pounds) Manual Transmission	3090 (2	2.5 X)	3095 (2.5 XS) 3130 (2.5 XS with Premium Package)	3210	N/A	
Automatic Transmission	3135 (2	2.5 X)	3140 (2.5 XS) 3175 (2.5 XS with Premium Package) 3185 (2.5 XS with Premium Package and optional leather trimmed upholstery)	3250	3300	
EPA Interior Volume (cubic feet)	93.5 (9	1.2 with	n moonroof [†])			
EPA Cargo Volume (cubic feet)	32.0 (rear seat up) 29.6 (rear seat up with moonroof†) 64.1 (rear seat down-SAE) 62.7 (rear seat down-SAE with moonroof†)					
Maximum Towing Capacity (lbs.)**	2000 Automatic Transmission (Class One) 2400 Manual Transmission (Class One)					

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SAFETY	2.5 X	2.5 XS	2.5 XT
Meets all federal	S	S	S
passenger car safety standards			
All-Wheel Drive (AWD)	S	<i>S</i>	<i>S</i>
Viscous limited-slip rear differential	_	S	S
4-channel/4-sensor Anti-lock Braking System (ABS)	S	S	S
Electronic Brake-force Distribution (EBD)	_	S	S
Safety brake-pedal system	S	S	S
Dual front air bags (SRS)*	S	S	S
Dual-stage deployment passenger front air bag (SRS)*	S	S	S
Front seat head/chest side- impact air bags (SRS)*	S	S	S
Active front seat head restraints	S	S	S
Daytime Running Lights (DRL)	S	S	S
3-point front seatbelts with pre- tensioners, force limiters and height-adjustable shoulder belt anchors	S	S	S
3-point rear seatbelts for all three seating positions with height- adjustable outboard shoulder belt anchors	S	S	S
Energy-absorbing collapsible steering column	S	S	S
Energy-absorbing front and rear crumple zones	S	S	S
5-mph impact-absorbing bumpers	S	S	S
Side-impact door beams	S	S	S
3 rear seat child safety seat anchors	S	S	S
LATCH system: Lower Anchors and Tether for CHildren	S	S	S
Child safety rear door locks	S	S	S

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INTERIOR	2.5 X	2.5 XS	2.5 XT
Sport design reclining front bucket seats with height-adjustable head restraints	S	S	S
Driver's seat height and lumbar adjustments	S	S	S
Front seatback net pockets	_	S	S
60/40 split fold-down rear seatback	S	S	S
Perforated leather-wrapped steering wheel, shifter handle and parking brake handle	_	S	S
Rear seat headrests for all three seating positions	S	S	S
Tilt-adjustable steering column	S	S	S
Off-delay dome light	S	S	S
Overhead console with dual sunglasses storage bin and dual map lights	S	S	S
12-volt center console power outlet	S	S	S
Upper dash storage pocket with lid and digital clock	S	S	S
Sport design instrumentation	_	_	S
Four cup holders: two in center console and dual retractable rear	S	S	S
Power door locks, including rear gate lock	S	S	S
Chrome inner door handles	_	S	S
Remote keyless entry system	S	S	S
Power windows with driver's side one-touch auto-down feature	S	S	S
Illuminated ignition switch ring	_	S	S
Cruise control	S	S	S
Air conditioning with rotary controls and 4-speed fan	S	_	_
Automatic climate control system	_	S	S

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INTERIOR (Continued) AM/FM/Weatherband stereo with single-disc CD player and four speakers	2.5 X S	2.5 XS	2.5 XT
AM/FM/Weatherband stereo with 6-disc in-dash CD changer and four speakers	_	S	_
AM/FM/Weatherband stereo with 6-disc in-dash CD changer, seven speakers including rear sub-woofer	_	_	S
In-glass antenna	S	S	S
Carpeted floor mats, Forester embroidered	S	S	S
Cargo area: dual storage pockets, 3 under-floor storage compartments, under-floor storage bucket, 4 cargo tie-downs and 2 grocery bag hooks	S	S	S
Cargo cover	S	S	S
12-volt cargo power outlet and cargo area light	S	S	S
All-Weather Package: Dual-mode heated front seats, heated exterior mirrors, windshield wiper de-icer and a limited-slip rear differential	_	S	S
EXTERIOR	2.5 X	2.5 XS	2.5 XT
Functional hood scoop	_	<u> </u>	\$
Headlights: auto-off	S	S	S

EXTERIOR	2.5 X	2.5 XS	2.5 XT
Functional hood scoop			S
Headlights: auto-off with ignition switch	S	S	S
Dual power fold-away mirrors	S	_	_
Large dual power heated fold-away mirrors	_	S	S
Variable intermittent windshield wipers	S	S	S
Dual-mode rear window wiper with washer: single speed and fixed intermittent	S	S	S
Rear window wiper de-icer	S	S	S
Rear window defogger with timer	S	S	S
Multi-reflector fog lights	S	S	S
Headlights auto-off with ignition switch	S	S	S
Roof rails with cross bars	S	S	S
Aluminum finish roof rails	_	_	S
Body color door handles	_	_	S
Textured Gray body-side cladding	S	_	_
Steel Gray Metallic body-side cladding	_	S	_
Monotone paint scheme	_	\mathcal{S}^{\dagger}	S
2.5 XS Premium Package: Monotone body color, power moonroof with auto open and close feature. Leather-trimmed upholstery is optional on Premium Package models with automatic transmission only.	_	0	_
2.5 XT Premium Package: 4-speed electronic direct control	_		0

0 = Optional

automatic transmission, power moonroof with auto open and close feature and black leather-trimmed upholstery

S = Standard

WARRANTIES^{††}

Basic Warranty: 3 years or 36,000 miles, whichever comes first

Powertrain Warranty: 5 years or 60,000 miles, whichever comes first

Rust Perforation Warranty: 5 years, unlimited mileage

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- 24-hour Roadside Assistance, seven days a week, 365 days a year all throughout the United States.
- Emergency Towing Service to the nearest authorized Subaru dealer.
- Emergency Roadside Assistance for jump starts, gasoline (up to two gallons), flat tire change, emergency lockout service (lost key or key is locked in the vehicle) and emergency fluid replacement.

See your Subaru dealer for details.

- *The Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) (air bags) affords the driver and front passenger additional protection in a moderate-to-severe frontal or (when equipped with front seat head/chest side-impact air bags) a side-impact collision. This system provides supplemental protection only, and seatbelts must be worn in order to avoid injuries to out-of-position occupants upon bag deployment and to provide the best combined protection in a serious accident. Children should always be properly restrained in the rear seat.
- ** When properly equipped. See Owner's Manual for detailed instructions you should follow when towing a trailer.
- [†]Standard with Premium Package models only.
- ^{††}For complete warranty information, including coverage and exclusions, see your Subaru dealer.

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