

2012 **Beetle**



Das Auto.



Same soul. Different everything else.



Beetle Turbo with Sunroof, Sound, and Navigation shown in Tornado Red

It's okay to stare. Its very design is magnetic, iconic, and utterly unique. That gorgeous arcing profile and famous front end are recognizable around the world, and there are dozens of nicknames to prove it. To say that it's a Volkswagen is actually an understatement.

It's *the* Volkswagen. It's the soul of the brand. It's the face that launched a global company. It's the shape of things to come. And now, we are pleased to introduce the latest evolution in Volkswagen history: The all-new 2012 Beetle.

Famous profile

Iconic headlight design

Signature front wheel well

New sporty look



Design

Museum quality.



Dynamic. Agile. And certainly sportier. It's not the first Beetle to be featured in a museum, and it won't be the last. Those crisp, clean, curved lines hark back to the original, with a completely modern and streamlined twist on the classic. It's hard to look

without picturing yourself inside it, sweeping around bends on a never-ending road. What color would you drive in your adventure? Tornado Red? Reef Blue? Deep Black? It's like a canvas waiting to be painted that perfect shade of fun and fast.



Performance

Still turns heads. Just faster.

One look at the curves on the all-new Beetle, and you can see that it's meant to be driven. In fact, it looks fast even standing still. That's because the available 200-hp, turbocharged engine with 207 lbs/ft of torque, paired with either a six-speed manual or six-speed automatic DSG® transmission with Tiptronic®, make this the fastest production turbocharged Beetle ever. Imagine the powerful hum of the engine as you accelerate around a curve. Or a fantastically curvy parking structure. When the Beetle first entered the market, it redefined the entire notion of transportation. And we just redefined it again.



Beetle Turbo with Sunroof and Sound, with 19" wheels and Bi-Xenon headlights package shown in Reflex Silver Metallic



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Performance



More curve on the curves.

The only way to completely understand German engineering is to experience it. Climb into the all-new Beetle and find a stretch of winding road. Then picture yourself effortlessly cresting a hill. Or cruising down a scenic straightaway and just letting the road guide you. That nimble and precise handling you're experiencing? That's the gutsy 2.5L, 170-hp, in-line five-cylinder engine with 177 lbs/ft of torque, boasting an impressive 29 highway mpg*. Also known as German engineering at its finest.

*2012 2.5L automatic transmission: 22 city/29 highway mpg EPA estimate. Your mileage will vary.



Beetle 2.5L with Sunroof and 18" Silver Helix wheels shown in Saturn Yellow

Heritage

2012

Modernized Käferfach glovebox.
Maybe you should get some gloves.



Color-matched dashboard. Cool then, cool now.
The 2012 take on classic rims.



Glimpse the future in the rearview mirror.

When we set out to design the all-new 2012 Beetle, we looked backwards for inspiration. All the way back to the original Beetle, in fact. Its one-of-a-kind features deserved a second life, especially when we could take them for a turbocharged spin into the present. Like the Käferfach glovebox cleverly integrated into the color-matched dash. On the original it was the only one, but on the 2012 Beetle you have two different gloveboxes for double the stash. Close your eyes and picture the wheels—those beautiful curved discs with graceful vents to let in the breeze. They're too iconic to forget, right? Now open your eyes and see how cool they look taking us into the future. Just remember to hold onto the band hanging next to the door if the nostalgia gets too intense.



Beetle 2.5L with Sunroof shown in Black



Beetle 2.5L with Sunroof and 17" Heritage wheels shown in Black

Original

Käferfach glovebox.
Käfer means Bug in German.



Color-matched dashboard. Black car, black dash.
Iconic wheels. Always in style.



Technology

Smooth operator.

That's right, the all-new 2012 Beetle comes with a streamlined set of buttons you can push and more bells and whistles than ever. Take the available touchscreen navigation system. We almost dare you to try and get lost. With fancy Bluetooth® technology in the mix, you can make calls just by pressing a button and saying someone's name, and answer them just as easily. But perhaps the most important button is the push-button start that comes with the available keyless access. Leave your keys in your pocket, grip the driver's door handle to unlock your Beetle, and push the button to start the ignition. Go.

Ever wonder what customizable colored lighting would look like inside your car? The mystery has been solved in a style that has Beetle written all over it. With the ambient lighting feature, you can switch between red, white, and blue lighting. Let the party begin.

*Feature available on select models. **Requires compatible phone.



Keyless access with push-button start*

Three colors of customizable ambient lighting

Touchscreen navigation system*

Bluetooth technology**



Beetle Turbo with Sunroof and Sound shown in Black/Blue Sport Cloth

Audio

Sound investment.

One icon deserves another. And in the case of Beetle and Fender, that's a combination destined to become a classic. Nothing could be better than an available Fender™ Premium Audio System filling your Beetle with sound that evokes the raw emotion of a live performance. Its 400-watt amp, subwoofer, and eight speakers make any genre of music sound good. So sit back and enjoy the marriage of German engineering and the brand that's known for starting the rock 'n' roll revolution. And feel free to blast your music as you cruise the streets in style.

On the available touchscreen stereo, you've got an in-dash six-CD changer, AM/FM radio with crystal-clear HD Radio™ technology, and a three-month trial subscription to SiriusXM radio, all playing tunes through eight speakers. Plus, all of that music, entertainment, and more can be easily navigated using the intuitive touchscreen interface right in the dash of your Beetle.

*Feature available on select models. ***iPod™ is a registered trademark of Apple Inc. All rights reserved. iPod is not included.



- Fender Premium Audio System*
- Touchscreen sound system*
- MDI with iPod® cable**



Beetle Turbo with Sunroof and Sound shown in Reflex Silver Metallic



Beetle Turbo with Sunroof and Sound shown in Reef Blue Metallic

Comfort

Hugs corners. And passengers.

From the leatherette and available leather seating surfaces wrapped around bolstered sport seats, to the available tilting, sliding panoramic sunroof, the allure of the all-new 2012 Beetle is hard to resist. Not only are the seats sporty, but they also come with lumbar support and three available heat settings, so you and your passengers can easily find your happy place. And that panoramic sunroof? It's 80% larger than before, and reflects 99% of UV radiation, 92% of heat, and 90% of light. When it's closed, that is. Open, it's a big window to the sky during the day, and a front seat to the stars at night.

Seats four. Comfortably. We know, normally cars this sporty don't even have backseats, or if they do, they're more like a nod to the idea of a backseat rather than a real one. But in the all-new 2012 Beetle, you can have your sport and seat four, too.

*Feature available on select models.



- Heated front seats
- Panoramic sunroof*
- Leather seating surfaces*



Beetle Turbo with Sunroof, Sound, and Navigation shown in Black/Red leather seating surfaces

Utility

A stealth of storage.

When we said we completely redesigned the all-new Beetle, we meant it. It's longer, wider, and sleeker than the previous models. Which means it looks like a sports car on the outside, and it has serious room on the inside. We're not kidding when we say it seats four adults. And the rear seats fold down, one at a time, to hold even more. So if you're looking for a sporty little number that can stow your stuff and still packs a punch, you should get this one's digits.



Beetle 2.5L with Sunroof, Sound, and Navigation shown in Reflex Silver Metallic



And now we present to you the 50/50 split.

That means you have three different options for folding down the rear seats to take that already spacious trunk to a whole new level. So you can put a few suitcases and a set of golf clubs in back. Or a stylish modern chair. Or your guitar and an amp. Then you can close the hatch and take your show on the road.



Seats four.

Comfortably.

Yes, really.

Safety

Active

Engine Braking Assist (EBA)

Hydraulic Brake Assist (HBA)

Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS)

Anti-Slip Regulation (ASR)

Electronic Differential Lock (EDL)

Signal mirrors

Crash-optimized front end

Pressure sensors for side airbags*

Combined side and curtain airbag system*

Collapsible steering column

Anti-intrusion side door beams

Crash-optimized pedal controls

Passive

It's safe to say we've got you covered.

When you buy a Volkswagen Beetle, you're driving home more than just a car. You're taking home total peace of mind. You don't even have to think about how its doors thunk solidly into place. Or how it has a comprehensive system of active safety features that can help you prevent a collision, such as headlights, turn signals, mirrors, brakes, steering, and traction control. Because every Beetle is designed to help you maintain control in a variety of situations and assist in avoiding collisions. That's why they're called active safety features. Because they're actively working to help you stay safe.

Every Beetle is built to the highest standards. Volkswagen standards. Which is why it has four airbags* standing guard. And a crash-optimized front end that helps absorb energy on impact and protect you in the event of a collision. Those are all part of our comprehensive system of passive safety features that help protect you during an accident. They include safety belts, airbags, steel-reinforced seating, a safety cage, and crumple zones, just to name a few. And they work together when they're needed most to help keep you safe. Because we believe that once you've achieved a certain level of excellence, there's no going back. That's why we call it a standard.

ESC

Electronic Stability Control

You know when you have to swerve around something unexpectedly? Well, ESC helps prevent oversteer or understeer during an evasive maneuver by applying corrective forces to each of the wheels. And that helps you intuitively engage in proper counter-steering, thereby working with your Beetle to correct the problem. As for the thing that made you swerve, here's to that happening only once in a blue moon.

A top-down diagram of a car on a road. A red dashed line shows the car's initial path, which is veering off a green line representing the road. A solid black line shows the corrected path, which is straightened by the car's steering. The car is shown in two positions along this path, illustrating how the system adjusts steering to maintain control.

ABS

Anti-lock Braking System (ABS)

ABS serves two purposes when it comes to safety. It helps keep the brakes from locking up during sudden stops and it helps you retain control over the steering in the event of emergency braking.

A side profile of a silver Volkswagen Beetle with its driver-side door open. The car is parked on a dark, wet surface, possibly a beach or a coastal road, with waves and rocks visible in the background. The car's design is sleek and rounded, with a prominent rear spoiler and multi-spoke alloy wheels. The interior of the open door is visible, showing a modern dashboard and seating.

*Airbags are supplemental restraints only and will not deploy under all crash circumstances. Always use safety belts and seat children only in the rear, using restraint systems appropriate for their size and age. **The Intelligent Crash Response System (ICRS) will only activate in a collision where the airbags deploy or safety belt pretensioners activate. Not all collisions cause airbags to deploy or safety belt pretensioners to activate.

ICRS

Intelligent Crash Response System**

You may have heard or experienced how time seems to slow down when you're in a collision. It's an overwhelming experience. Which is why your Beetle is designed to do all the thinking for you in your time of need. After the airbags have been deployed, the ICRS automatically unlocks all doors, disables the fuel pump, and turns on the hazard lights. That's why we call it intelligent.

Chassis

Safety cage

Beneath all that sheet metal, every Beetle has a specially reinforced safety cage complete with anti-intrusion side beams and heat-formed B-pillars. Surrounding the cage are crumple zones that provide space and material to help cushion and absorb the impact while the cage helps insulate you. So even if you never see them coming, we've got you covered.

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Carefree Maintenance®

Wellness for
your wheels.

At Volkswagen, we believe in our products so much that we give you three years or 36,000 miles of Carefree Maintenance—for no extra charge. Come by for a courtesy vehicle check within the first 90 days, or 6,000 miles, and ask us any questions you have while we give your Beetle a basic checkup. Then come by every year, or 10,000 miles, for your remaining scheduled maintenance checks. It's that simple. So relax and enjoy every carefree mile in your new VW. That's what it's there for. And because it's a Volkswagen, it'll keep that new car feeling for many years to come.



No-charge scheduled Carefree Maintenance

3 or 36,000*
Years Miles

*The Volkswagen Carefree Maintenance Program covers the vehicle's scheduled maintenance for three years or 36,000 miles, whichever comes first. Coverage during the term of the new vehicle limited warranty at no additional charge. Some limitations apply. See dealer or vehicle maintenance program booklet for details.



Beetle Turbo with Sunroof and Sound, with 19" Tornado accessory wheels shown in Reef Blue Metallic

Special Features

Your Beetle says a lot about you.

Want to make your Beetle unlike any other? Wrap a Second Skin around every curve, or choose a custom nickname badge, accessory wheels, unique key fob, or a variety of other accessories. Go turbo and you get a host of stylish features that practically scream fast. This is definitely a case where actions speak louder than words.

Customization

Beetle

Bug

Käfer

Vocher

Maggiolino

USA

Germany

Mexico

Italy







Nickname badging

Body-colored carpeted mats

Accessory wheels

Unique key fob covers

VW Second Skin

Do you love the super sporty new look of the all-new Beetle but still want more? Wrap it in a custom Volkswagen Second Skin. Choose from one of four wraps specially designed to suit the all-new Beetle. Every angle, from the iconic wheel wells to the classic tail end, will be wrapped in extra-sporty, race-inspired graphics designed to bring out the performance driver in all of us.

Turbo Styling

Choosing the Turbo model gets you some pretty fancy features. Like red brake calipers, a dash-mounted turbo boost gauge and lap timer, unique bolstered bucket seats, and turbo badging like another German sports car we're fond of. Because we think people should know what car you're driving, no matter how fast you're going.

Rear spoiler

Dual exhaust

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Turbo



- Turbo badging
- Red brake calipers



- 18" wheels
- Race-inspired steering wheel



- Sport pedals
- Performance gauges
- Sport seats

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- Rear spoiler
- Dual exhaust

Wheels

Accessories

Exterior

Interior

Standard

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2.5L 17" Turbine



2.5L with Sunroof, Sound, and Navigation 18" Disc



VW Valve Stem Caps



Custom Car Cover



MDI Cables (iPod is not included)



Turbo 18" Twister



Available Turbo 19" Tornado



17" Heritage

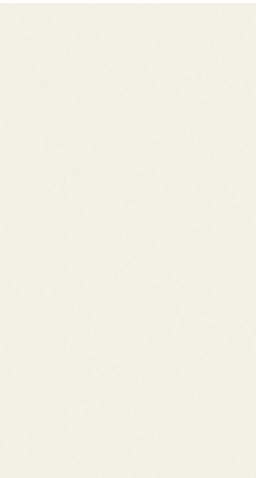


17" Anthracite Helix

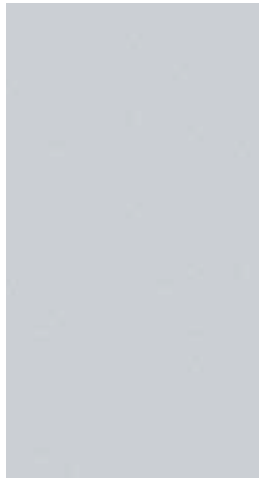


18" Silver Helix

Paint



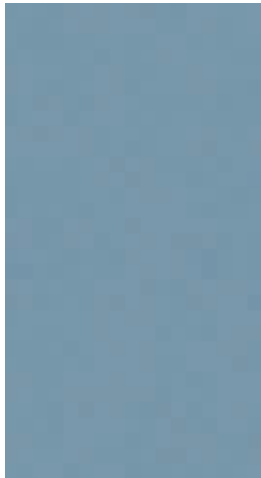
Candy White
Titan Black, Beige, Black/Blue, Black, Black/Red



Reflex Silver Metallic
Titan Black, Black/Blue, Black



Platinum Gray Metallic
Titan Black, Black/Blue, Black, Black/Red



Denim Blue
Titan Black



Reef Blue Metallic
Titan Black, Beige, Black/Blue, Black



Saturn Yellow
Titan Black



Tornado Red
Titan Black, Beige, Black, Black/Red



Toffee Brown Metallic
Titan Black



Black
Titan Black, Beige



Deep Black Pearl
Titan Black, Beige, Black/Blue, Black, Black/Red

Leather



V-Tex Leatherette



Cloth





That's Das Auto.

2012 Volkswagen Family

All-new Beetle



All-new Passat



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