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2019 JETTA ANNOUNCED



The popular compact sedan gets a modernized look and a few new features with the MQB platform now underpinning this largely new model. Standard full LED lighting and alloy wheels for all trim levels begin the host of new changes. A stop/start system (a first for the Jetta and standard on all automatic models) helps improve fuel efficiency and a class-exclusive automatic post-collision braking system helps to bolster safety ratings. Safety features include a standard rearview camera, while Adaptive Cruise Control with stop-and-go traffic functionality, Blind Spot Monitor with Rear Traffic Alert, High Beam Light Control, Forward Collision Warning with Autonomous Emergency Braking, and Active Lane Assist are also available. Other features include a Digital Cockpit display (standard on the SEL and SEL Premium), a 400-watt Beats Audio sound system, App-Connect interface with CarPlay, Android Auto and Mirror Link functionality, and a driver personalization feature that lets up to four drivers customize individual preferences for driver assistance systems, climate control and much more. There is also a 10-color customizable wraparound ambient lighting option on some trims. New colors and fabrics for the cloth and leather seats will be available, which can come equipped with heating and ventilation.

Trim levels will continue to be designated as S, SE, SEL and SEL Premium. A sportier R-Line trim with exclusive exterior and interior details, as well as an electronic differential, will be part of the launch. The 1.4-liter turbo four-cylinder engine carries over from the last generation model. It has 147 horsepower on tap as well as a class-leading 184 pound-feet of torque. A six-speed manual transmission comes standard on the base S model, while a new eight-speed automatic is an option on the base S and standard on all other trim levels upwards. The 2019 Volkswagen Jetta will arrive at U.S. dealers in the second quarter of 2018 with a starting price of \$18,545 for the base S model, which is a cheaper starting MSRP than the outgoing model despite the additional standard equipment list.

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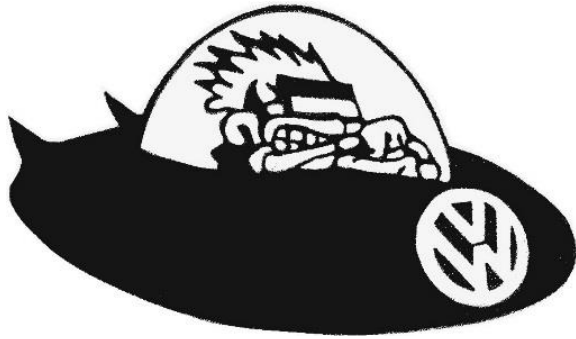
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Sportier Volkswagen Passat GT Premieres in Detroit



Adapted from a report by Sebastien Bell, Jan 12, 2018

The 280-horsepower V6 Volkswagen Passat getting even sportier thanks to the new GT trim, announced ahead of its official debut at the 2018 Detroit Auto Show. With a lowered suspension, a sports exhaust, and countless visual cues, the Chattanooga-designed special edition Volkswagen Passat GT is offered in four colors: Pure White, Reflex Silver, Platinum Grey, and Deep Black. “The Passat GT illustrates how the North American Region can shape Volkswagen vehicles specifically for the U.S. market,” said Dr. Matthias Erb, Chief Engineering Officer, North American Region, in a statement. “Combining a local perspective with our global engineering expertise allows us to create vehicles that meet the needs and desires of customers here.” The GT belongs to the R-Line, but differentiates itself from the Passat R-Line, thanks to its larger 3.6-liter VR6 engine. The suspension and exhaust have been tuned to show off the best of what the motor can do. Visually, it differentiates itself from the standard Passat with a red stripe along its grille — a nod to the GTI — along with other visual treats. Among them: standard LED DRLs, R-Line bumper, a GT badge, a black roof, black mirror caps, blackened LED taillights, a black spoiler, and double-tailpipes. Inside, the GT has the Composition Media Package’s 6.3-inch infotainment display, Car-Net, App-Connect, a black headliner, aluminum inserts, a leather-wrapped steering wheel, contrast stitching and more. The Volkswagen Passat GT will come with VW’s six-speed automatic transmission and steering wheel-mounted paddles. Making 280 hp at 6,200 rpm and 258 lb-ft of torque from 2,500 rpm on regular fuel, it will hustle. Starting at \$29,940 (including destination fee in the U.S.) the Volkswagen Passat GT will be sold with VW’s People First Warranty, that’s good for 72,000 miles or six years. Like the 2019 Jetta, expect to see it at your local dealership in the second quarter of 2018.



Secretary's Report

The January Meeting of the CFVWC took place at the Mellow Mushroom Sanford on Saturday, 13 JAN 18. In attendance were Rollie Walker, Joan and Will Euverard and Marty Felici. We discussed an upcoming show in April called "No Dough," a free show believed to be somewhere in the Ormond Beach area.

Minutes submitted by Ed. for Sec. with assistance from Pres. Walker.



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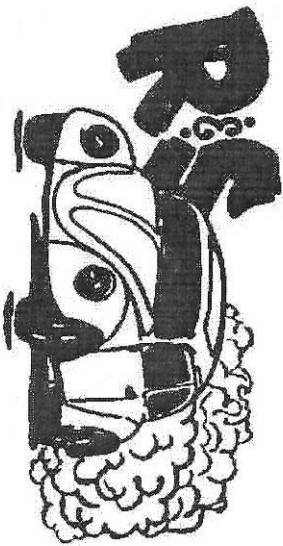
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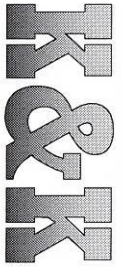
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