Volvo Cars announces range of updates for model year 2017

Volvo Cars today announces a wide range of updates for model year 2017, including the introduction of its latest semi-autonomous drive technology, Pilot Assist II, on the S90 and V90 in the United States.

The introduction of Pilot Assist II is made possible thanks to the modular approach to car building enabled by Volvo’s new SPA architecture. Introduced first in the new S90 premium sedan, Pilot Assist II supports drivers up to speeds of 80 MPH in well-marked highway conditions.

City Safety updated
Volvo has also expanded its safety technology to cover one of the most common causes of single vehicle accidents with Run-off road mitigation, which uses auto-steer to help keep you on the road. Volvo’s standard collision avoidance system, City Safety, also receives an update with Large Animal Detection added on 90 Series cars.

90 Series connectivity updates
Volvo’s in-car connectivity and driver interface system, Sensus, will receive several new native apps across the range for model year 2017, including Spotify and Park and Pay. Spotify, the highly popular music streaming service, provides constant access to an immense online library of your favorite music and utilizes the familiar interface of Spotify’s smartphone applications in the car. Park and Pay provides Volvo owners with the ultimate convenience of finding and paying for parking when desired.

Connected Service Booking, which allows workshop booking and reminders from the Sensus interface, will be added along with improved TuneIn, Local Search and Yelp applications. Record & Send, a new voice recording app will also be added enabling drivers to make a voice note that they can send to themselves as reminders.

60 Series cars
The 60 Series cars will receive significant updates for 2016. Volvo’s award-winning four cylinder T5 gas engine delivering 240 hp and 258 ft-lb of torque mated to an 8-speed automatic transmission, will now come with all-wheel
drive on all 60 Series cars.

Two new wheels will be offered – a new 18" wheel for the S60/V60 and XC60 and a brand new 20" wheel for the XC60. These will be complemented by a new generation of 18", 19" and 20" wheels for R-Design trim levels.

The 60 Series cars will also be offered with three new exterior colors: Luminous Sand and Mussel Blue will be available on select models, while Bursting Blue will be exclusive to the R-Design trim.

Updates across the range

Volvo On Call
The Volvo On Call smartphone app, which allows remote access and control over a wide range of in-car features, receives a substantial update. Volvo On Call already delivers wearable connectivity (Apple Watch/Android Wear) and now Microsoft Band 2 connectivity, enabling voice-control for certain features when using Windows 10-based smartphones.

Other updates to Volvo On Call include a calendar integration function that connects your personal calendar to the mobile app, allowing it to send calendar appointment destinations directly to your navigation on request. For 2016 Volvo On Call will broaden its scope and provide support for up to 10 Volvo vehicles, giving access to all the usual functions across a fleet of cars.

Volvo now also offers support for Windows 10 with a new version of the Volvo On Call application that can be used on regular PCs and tablets to interact with your car.

CleanZone technology
Volvo’s continuing leadership in interior air quality is highlighted across the product range from 2016 with the inclusion of the CleanZone logo on instrument panel air vents in the 60 Series cars and a logo in the center display of the 90 Series cars.

Volvo’s award-winning CleanZone technology ensures that outside air is effectively filtered before entering the cabin, removing harmful pollutants that are increasingly common in large urban areas. CleanZone technology reflects Volvo’s ongoing work to improve the in-car experience, covering incoming air, interior emissions and odours, interior surfaces and contact allergies.

Notes to editors:
More information on Volvo’s Drive-E powertrains
More information on Volvo’s IntelliSafe safety systems

Volvo Car Group in 2015
For the 2015 financial year, Volvo Car Group recorded an operating profit of 6,620 MSEK (2,128 MSEK in 2014). Revenue over the period amounted to 164,043 MSEK (137,590 MSEK). For the full year 2015, global sales reached a record 503,127 cars, an increase of 8 per cent versus 2014. The record sales and operating profit cleared the way for Volvo Car Group to continue investing in its global transformation plan.

About Volvo Car Group
Volvo has been in operation since 1927. Today, Volvo Cars is one of the most well-known and respected car brands in the world with sales of 503,127 in 2015 in about 100 countries. Volvo Cars has been under the ownership of the Zhejiang Geely Holding (Geely Holding) of China since 2010. It formed part of the Swedish Volvo Group until 1999, when the company was bought by Ford Motor Company of the US. In 2010, Volvo Cars was acquired by Geely Holding.

As of December 2015, Volvo Cars had almost 29,000 employees worldwide. Volvo Cars head office, product development, marketing and administration functions are mainly located in Gothenburg, Sweden. Volvo Cars head office for China is located in Shanghai. The company’s main car production plants are located in Gothenburg (Sweden), Ghent (Belgium), Chengdu and Daqing (China), while engines are manufactured in Skövde (Sweden) and Zhangjiakou (China) and body components in Olofström (Sweden).

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