



2009 | **Forester**



**Safe. Smart. Clean.  
Room for all your ideals.**





The all-new 2009 Subaru Forester.

**Because you love every moment.**

Where are you headed today? Picking up or dropping off? Loading or unloading? Getting there or getting away? Your day-to-day endeavors ask a lot of you. But, with more space, more comfort, and more versatility than ever, the completely redesigned Subaru Forester® has a way of changing the things you have to do into the things you love to do.

Engineering an automobile doesn't have to be complicated, it just has to be **smart**. Each Forester is designed to fit intelligently into an owner's life—to be so intuitive that they won't know how they ever got along without it. That's why the all-new Forester is loaded with innovations and versatile features designed to help streamline daily tasks and simplify your life.



### More Useful Space

Increasing the legroom for rear passengers was just the start. Space that is thoughtfully distributed means big things like boxes or skis and little things like books or bags all fit more easily.

### Easier Entry and Exit

Wider door openings and more step-in room make it easier for adults to get in and out. It's also easier for them to reach and strap in children, or retrieve cargo.

### Underfloor Cargo-Area Storage

Beneath the cargo area, you'll find a compartmentalized tray perfect for small items prone to sliding around. And they're kept covered up, away from prying eyes.

### Better Visibility

Steering clear of danger starts with being able to see it. Already benefiting from excellent visibility, the new Forester makes it even easier to stay aware of your surroundings.

## Convenience and Versatility

You've got a lot on your plate. The all-new Forester is loaded with features that help handle the multitasking for you, such as grocery bag holders that keep items from spilling out during driving. Also, you'll be able to keep more items easily within reach with features like the removable center console storage pocket. A large rear gate opening makes loading and unloading a breeze—no matter what you're hauling that day.



### Multifunction Center Console

Need a place for a purse? Or a couple of extra cups? Maybe you need a pocket perfect for your iPod® or cell phone? Whatever it is, chances are the adaptable new center console of the Forester can find a way to fit it.

### Retractable Rear Tray

Even with the rear armrest down, this feature folds out to reveal a convenient tray and cupholders for the rear passengers. It folds away neatly when you need to make more room!



### More Places for Stuff

Your own stuff can be your worst enemy. The Forester includes an array of hooks, trays and compartments to help you manage the accoutrements of daily life.

<sup>1</sup> Not available on base 2.5X.



Forester 2.5XT Limited with Black leather and optional navigation system.

## Interior Comfort

Settle into the available 10-way power driver's seat, and you'll find a more spacious cabin that surrounds you with amenities designed for you and your passengers' comfort. Those in the rear are sure to appreciate the increased legroom, and everyone will enjoy the quieter interior. Add in custom temperature settings from the available automatic climate control system, and your only problem may be getting them to leave.



Charge, play and control your iPod® through your vehicle's audio system with the available accessory iPod interface kit.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Initially available on 2.5X and 2.5X Premium models only. See your dealer.



### Navigation

Get turn-by-turn directions to that restaurant across town or to a national park on the other side of the state. The available GPS navigation system features an ultra-sharp, 7-inch screen and an easy-to-use touch-screen interface.

### Hands-Free Phone Calls

Make and receive calls without ever picking up your phone. The available Bluetooth® hands-free kit<sup>1</sup> allows you to wirelessly dial and answer calls through the in-dash touch screen, and hear them through the audio system.

<sup>1</sup> Available with optional navigation system only.

### SRS Circle Surround Audio

Fill the cabin with sound from the available 6-speaker audio system. SRS Circle Surround Automotive® audio enhancement immerses you in sound by presenting your tunes with remarkable clarity.

### Reclining Rear Seats

Passengers in the rear can finally adjust their seat angle to their preference, letting them ride in personalized comfort.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Not available on base 2.5X.

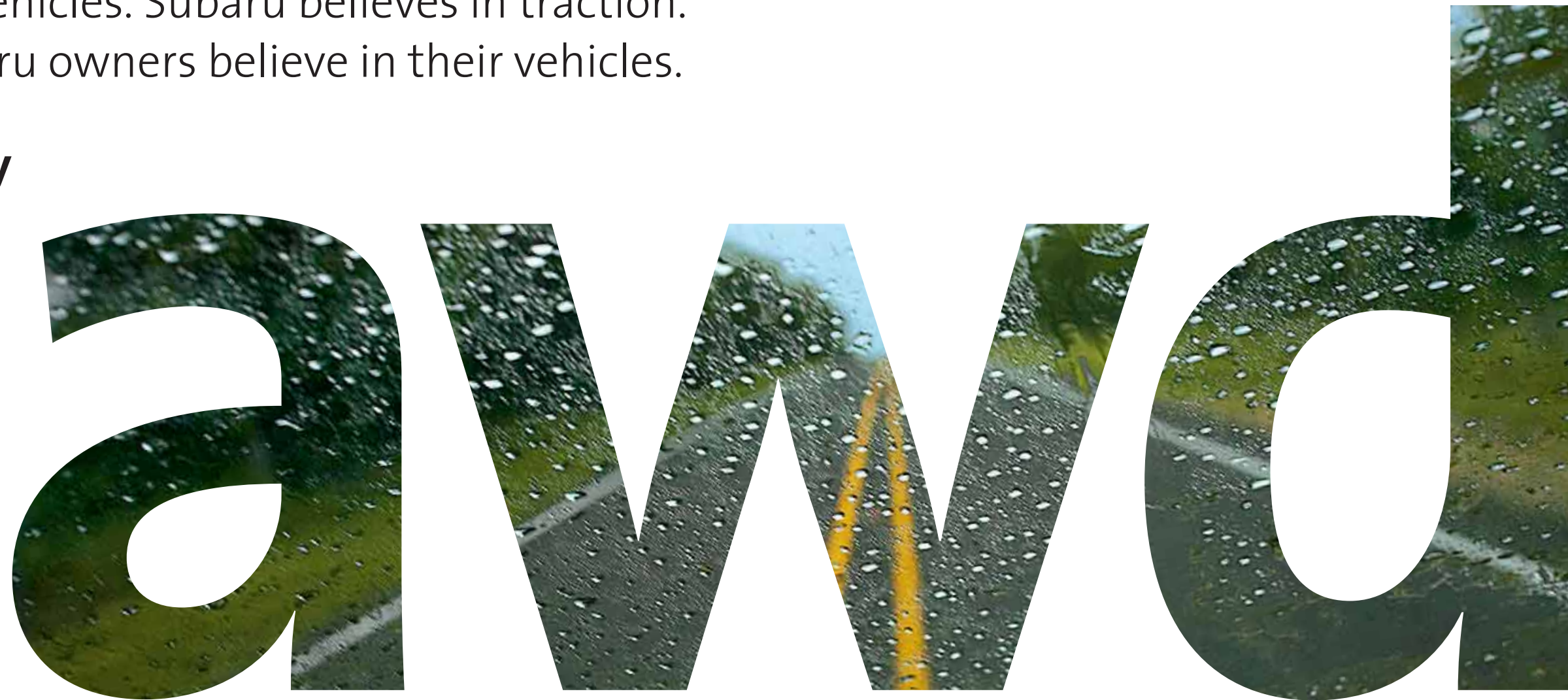


Forester 2.5X Limited in Sage Green Metallic with accessory Rugged Package, round cross bars and fork-mount bike carriers.

Subaru Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive is the result of passionate engineering focused on giving drivers the best traction possible. Better traction means better handling and **control**. It expands a vehicle's versatility and capability. Traction increases the trust and confidence drivers can put in their vehicles. Subaru believes in traction. It's why Subaru owners believe in their vehicles.

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# AWD

The letters 'AWD' are rendered in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Each letter is filled with a photograph of a wet asphalt road during a rainstorm. The raindrops are visible as white specks on the dark grey pavement. In the background of the road, a yellow double line is visible, and the road curves slightly to the right. The overall tone is dark and atmospheric.

#### All Weather Conditions

Snow and rain can surprise even the best planners. Be ready with the exceptional traction and control of Subaru AWD.

#### Accident Avoidance

When danger steps into your path, the safest route is to step right around it. The trademark traction and control of Subaru AWD helps you stay safe by staying ready.

#### Spirited Handling

You won't be the first to be surprised by the handling and agility of the Forester. Subaru AWD maximizes the feeling of being connected to the road with its remarkable balance and grip.

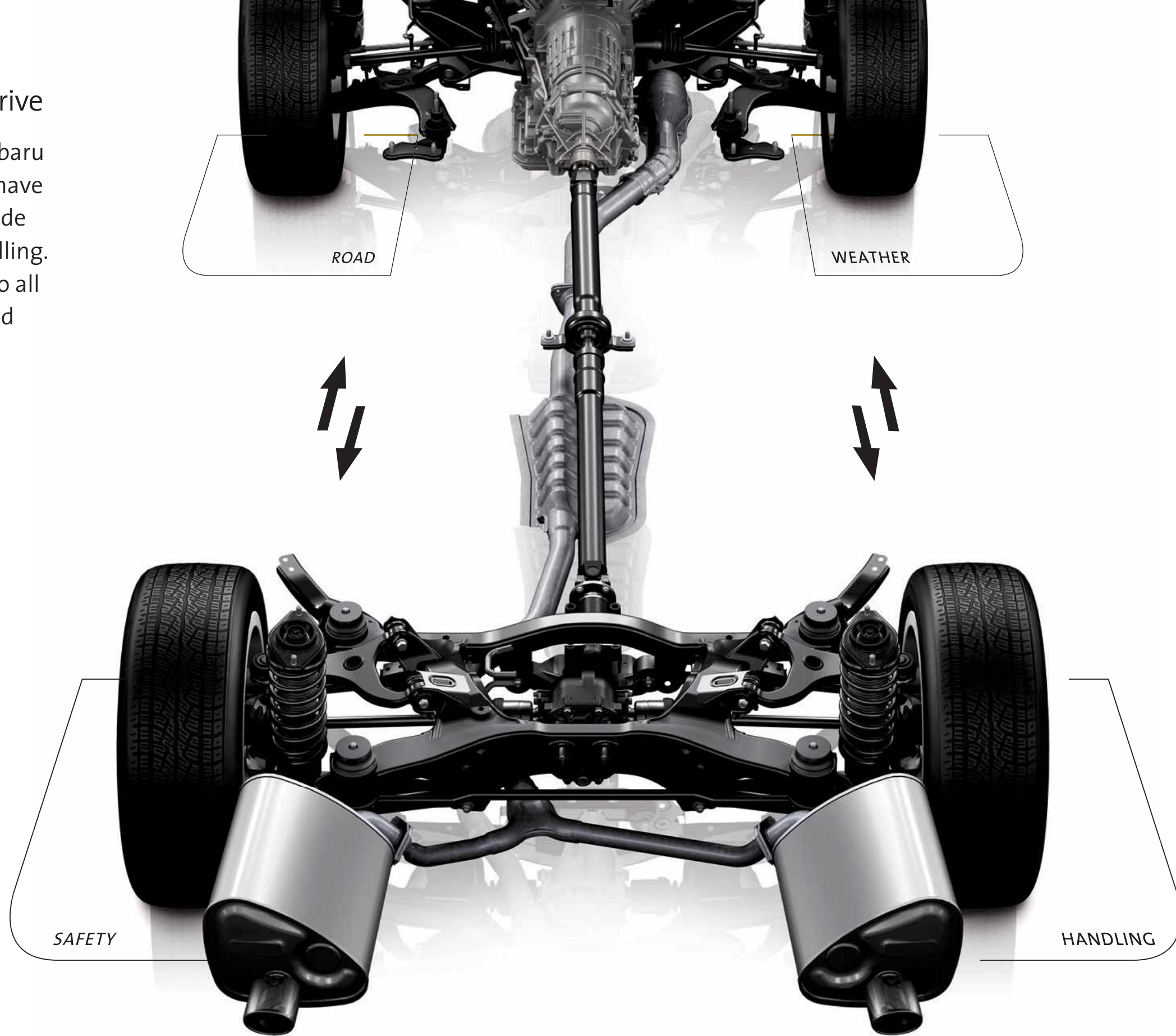
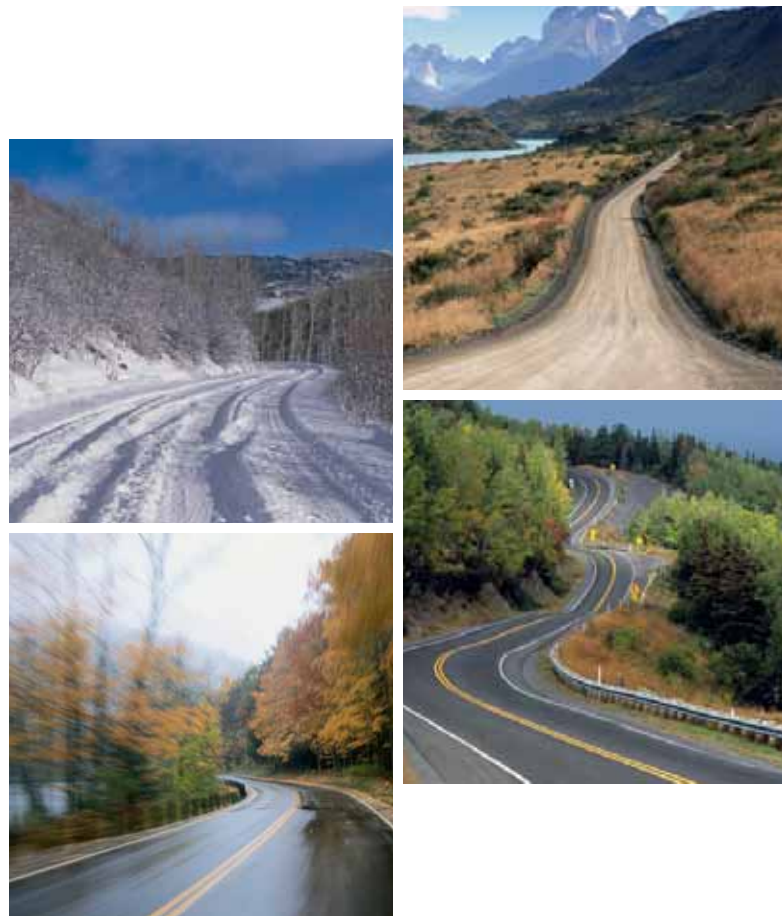
#### Multiple Road Types

The best adventures don't always happen on immaculate asphalt. Subaru AWD helps give you the freedom to stray off the beaten path onto gravel, dirt, or other road types with confidence.



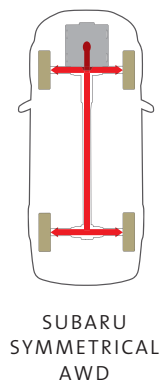
## The Advantages of Subaru Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive

All AWD systems are not the same. For more than 30 years, Subaru has been engineering Subaru Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive to have distinct advantages over other systems. Almost total side-to-side symmetry creates optimal balance for stability and sharp handling. And since power flows in a more direct path from the engine to all four wheels, it works with brilliant efficiency for secure grip and quicker response to slippage.

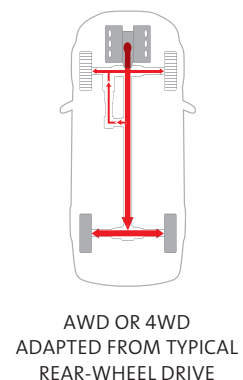
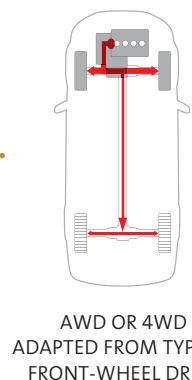


### Better Balance

Every Subaru is built for AWD from the ground up. This allows us to build a balanced, symmetrical drivetrain that is free of the extra components some other systems need to get power to all four wheels. This symmetry and balance means stability that makes driving your Subaru safer and agility that makes it more fun.



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### Quicker Response

There are only four small patches of rubber that keep you in control of your vehicle. The more your tires are engaged, the more control you have. Subaru keeps more power routed to all four tires than some other systems that only fully engage all wheels as a reaction to slippage that has already occurred.

### Efficient Design

Because power in some adapted systems must route through extra components, these systems not only sacrifice efficiency, but also can incur more wear and tear. Subaru routes power directly from the engine to all four wheels to keep components—and frictional power losses—to a minimum.

## Engine and Suspension

An SUV doesn't have to drive like one. The remarkable agility of the Subaru Forester begins with its smooth-revving SUBARU BOXER® engine. A lower center of gravity means that while supplying clean and efficient power, this engine design actually helps maintain vehicle balance. Then there's the 4-wheel independent suspension that helps the Forester provide responsiveness and stability that drivers can feel.



Forester 2.5XT Limited in Obsidian Black Pearl with accessory front bumper underguard.

### 2.5X and 2.5XT

With the 2.5X, enjoy the smoothness and balance of a SUBARU BOXER engine and its exceptional gas mileage and emissions control. The 2.5XT furthers your confidence on the road with a potent 224-horsepower engine and 226 lb-ft of torque—all delivered with a turbocharged rush.

### Responsive Suspension

The agility of this 4-wheel independent suspension is matched only by the versatility that comes from its class-leading 8.9 inches of ground clearance.<sup>1</sup> The new double wishbone rear design provides compliant handling and a ride that's smoother than ever.

### Sportshift Transmission

If you go for the ease of the 4-speed automatic transmission, SPORTSHIFT® allows you to take manual control over how the Forester shifts for greater driver involvement and better access to power when you want it for passing or climbing hills.



<sup>1</sup> Forester 2.5XT and 2.5XT Limited. Comparison based on 2008 Ward's Light-Vehicles. 2009 data not available at printing.



For Subaru, the only thing more important than the driving experience of our vehicles is that you arrive safely at your destination. This commitment to **protect** occupants with multidimensional safety is what made each and every Subaru model tested, when equipped with available VDC, an IIHS 2008 Top Safety Pick,<sup>1</sup> including the 2009 Forester.

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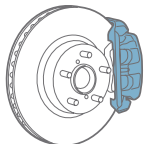


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for front and side-impact collisions.<sup>2</sup>  
— National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

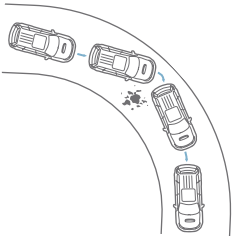
| Trust. Subaru knows that this is the most important feeling to have when you get behind the wheel. You can drive with confidence knowing that Subaru engineered the Forester to assist in keeping you safe by helping you avoid accidents. Exceptional visibility helps you see danger coming, and active technologies like Subaru AWD and a responsive suspension help you stay in control in an emergency.

**Passive Safety** | In a worst-case scenario, the Subaru Forester is one of your best possible bets. Government crash testing recognizes the Forester with a five-star crash-test safety rating.<sup>2</sup> Its brilliant track record in safeguarding passengers comes from an array of advanced protection technologies coupled to a body structure that is meticulously engineered to help save lives.

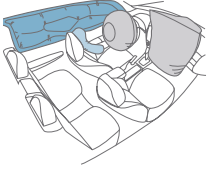
**Brake Assist**  
This safety feature closely monitors the pressure you apply to the brake pedal. If it detects a panic-braking situation, it helps you avoid collisions by applying maximum braking force more quickly.



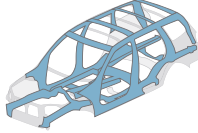
**Vehicle Dynamics Control (VDC)**  
Standard on every 2009 Forester, VDC electronic stability control monitors the path of your vehicle to help detect unwanted deviations in your trajectory, and helps correct them to keep you in control and on the right path.



**Front, Side and Side-Curtain Airbags<sup>3</sup>**  
An array of sensors can deploy any one or more of the six airbags the instant an accident is detected. The Forester features side-curtain airbags and a rollover sensor to better provide all-over protection for the driver, front passenger and outboard rear passengers.



**Ring-Shaped Reinforcement Frame**  
Exceptionally strong, the frame design of the Forester not only helps to maintain cabin integrity during a crash—it also helps divert dangerous impact energy away from occupants.



<sup>1</sup> Rating based on Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's (IIHS's) 40-mile-per-hour frontal crash test, 31-mile-per-hour side-impact test, and 20-mile-per-hour rear-impact test. For more information, contact IIHS or visit their website at [www.iihs.org](http://www.iihs.org).

<sup>2</sup> Star ratings are part of the U.S. Department of Transportation's [safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov) program ([www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov)).  
<sup>3</sup> Always wear seatbelts. Children should be properly restrained in the rear seat.



### Low Emissions

The Forester is one of the few SUVs to achieve Partial Zero Emission Vehicle (PZEV)<sup>1</sup> status. It achieves this recognition for cleanliness and efficiency without the negative environmental impact required to manufacture some high-efficiency systems, and without compromising performance and versatility.

### Zero Landfill

In 2004, Subaru of Indiana Automotive (SIA) became the first manufacturing facility in the U.S. to reach zero landfill status—nothing from its manufacturing efforts ever goes into a landfill. What's more, Subaru facilities in Japan have achieved similar goals in reusing and recycling industrial waste, as well as greatly reducing carbon emissions.

### Protecting Wildlife

In 2003, SIA became the first U.S. automotive assembly plant to be designated a wildlife habitat. Subaru shares the site with numerous natural residents including deer, blue herons and beavers.

Ruggedness, versatility and a low impact on the **environment** have long made Subaru vehicles the choice of drivers who want to enjoy the beauty of the natural world. By reducing pollutants during the production process and creating efficient, low-emission vehicles, Subaru works to protect that beauty and the earth we all share.



**US EPA Certified SmartWay®**

For select Forester, Legacy and Outback models, the SmartWay mark is based on the vehicle's officially certified exhaust emissions and greenhouse gas scores.<sup>2</sup> Visit [www.epa.gov/greenvehicles](http://www.epa.gov/greenvehicles) for more information.

<sup>1</sup> Available on 2009 Forester 2.5X models certified as Partial Zero Emission Vehicles (PZEV) that are sold, registered and operated in California, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont and Washington. PZEV emissions warranty applies only in certain states. See your dealer for complete information on emissions and new car limited warranties.  
<sup>2</sup> For all 2008 Legacy, Outback and Forester non-turbo 2.5-liter models certified as PZEV that are sold, registered and operated in California and certain other states.

Your Subaru. **Your way.**



#### 2.5X

Value does not mean compromise with the 2.5X. Sharp handling, a 170-horsepower engine, and safety features like VDC electronic stability control and side-curtain airbags give you confidence on the road. And features like the multifunction center console, auxiliary audio jack and 12-volt power outlets give you the versatility you'd expect from a Forester.

#### 2.5X Premium

Upgrade to the 2.5X Premium and you'll get a collection of style, comfort and versatility enhancements like 17-inch alloy wheels, panoramic moonroof and raised roof rails. The available All-Weather Package gets you ready for dips in the temperature with cozy features like heated front seats and side-view mirror defrosters.

#### 2.5X Limited

Versatility and luxury need not be mutually exclusive with the 2.5X Limited. You'll enjoy the premium audio system, heated front seats, automatic climate control, leather-trimmed upholstery and panoramic moonroof, not to mention the functionality of the available navigation system. This Forester also comes with a standard cargo-area tray.



#### 2.5XT

The rear spoiler and unique 17-inch alloy wheels set this Forester apart, but its turbocharged 224-horsepower SUBARU BOXER® engine truly defines it. Inside you'll play your tunes on the premium audio system and enjoy features like the panoramic moonroof that make the Forester such a fun and versatile car to own.

#### 2.5XT Limited

All of the best Forester has to offer delivered with a turbocharged rush. Leather-trimmed interior, heated front seats, automatic climate control, premium audio, panoramic moonroof and the available navigation system provide the comfort. The rear spoiler and 17-inch alloy wheels provide the distinction. And the turbocharged 224-horsepower SUBARU BOXER engine provides the confidence and the fun.

## Forester® Specifications

ENGINE AND DRIVETRAIN	2.5X, 2.5X PREMIUM AND 2.5X LIMITED	2.5XT AND 2.5XT LIMITED
Engine	2.5-liter SOHC aluminum-alloy 16-valve horizontally opposed SUBARU BOXER® engine with i-Active Valve Lift System.	2.5-liter DOHC intercooled, turbocharged aluminum-alloy 16-valve 4-cylinder horizontally opposed SUBARU BOXER engine with Active Valve Control System.
Power	170 hp @ 6,000 rpm	224 hp @ 5,200 rpm
Torque	170 lb-ft @ 4,400 rpm	226 lb-ft @ 2,800 rpm
Manual transmission	Fully synchronized 5-speed manual with Incline Start Assist. <b>2.5X</b> and <b>2.5X Premium</b> : Standard. <b>2.5X Limited</b> , <b>2.5XT</b> and <b>2.5XT Limited</b> : Not available.	
Automatic transmission	4-speed electronic direct-control automatic with SPORTSHIFT® manual control. <b>2.5X</b> and <b>2.5X Premium</b> : Optional. <b>2.5X Limited</b> , <b>2.5XT</b> and <b>2.5XT Limited</b> : Standard.	
Emissions	Certified Low Emission Vehicle (LEV2) <sup>1</sup>	
Towing Capacity	2,400 lbs	
FUEL		
Fuel economy (city/highway) <sup>2</sup>	20/26 mpg	19/24 mpg
Fuel requirement	Unleaded gasoline (87 octane)	Premium unleaded gasoline (91 octane)
SYMMETRICAL ALL-WHEEL DRIVE		
Continuous All-Wheel Drive	Models equipped with 5-speed manual transmission utilize a viscous-type locking center differential with torque distribution normally configured at a 50/50-split front-to-rear. If wheel speed differs between front and rear axles, the system helps distribute power to the wheels with the most traction.	
Active All-Wheel Drive	Models equipped with 4-speed automatic transmission utilize an electronically controlled variable transfer clutch to distribute power to where traction is needed. Sensors monitor parameters such as wheel slippage, throttle position and braking, to help determine torque distribution and direct it to the wheels with optimum traction.	
STABILITY AND TRACTION		
Vehicle Dynamics Control (VDC)	Standard VDC electronic stability control utilizes sensors which constantly monitor wheel speeds, steering angle, brake pressure, vehicle yaw rate and lateral g-forces. If VDC detects a difference between the driver's intended path and the one the vehicle is actually taking, VDC applies braking power and/or reduces engine torque to help correct vehicle path.	
Traction Control System (TCS)	VDC also incorporates an all-wheel, all-speed traction control system which senses a loss of traction and applies braking force to the slipping wheel or wheels as necessary to maintain vehicle motion.	
CHASSIS		
Steering	Engine-speed-sensing variable power-assisted rack-and-pinion. Turning circle: 34.4 feet.	
Suspension	4-wheel independent suspension. <b>Front</b> : Strut-type with lower L-arm. Stabilizer bar. <b>Rear</b> : Double wishbone. Stabilizer bar.	
Brakes	4-wheel disc, ventilated front. 4-channel, 4-sensor ABS with Electronic Brake-force Distribution (EBD).	
Brake Assist	When emergency braking is detected by how quickly the brake pedal is pressed, maximum brake pressure is immediately applied.	
Brake dimensions	<b>Front</b> : 11.7 inches/ <b>Rear</b> : 11.3 inches	
WHEELS AND TIRES		
Wheels	<b>2.5X</b> : 16 x 6.5-inch steel with wheel covers. <b>2.5X Premium</b> and <b>2.5X Limited</b> : 17 x 7.0-inch 5-spoke aluminum alloy.	17 x 7.0-inch 5-spoke aluminum alloy
Tires	<b>2.5X</b> : 215/65 R16 96H all-season. <b>2.5X Premium</b> and <b>2.5X Limited</b> : 225/55 R17 95H all-season.	225/55 R17 95H all-season
EXTERIOR DIMENSIONS		
Length	179.5 inches	179.5 inches
Width	70.1 inches	70.1 inches
Height	66.9 inches with roof rails (65.9 inches without roof rails)	66.9 inches with roof rails
Wheelbase	103.0 inches	103.0 inches
Track (front/rear)	60.2 inches/60.2 inches	60.2 inches/60.2 inches
Base curb weight (manual/automatic)	<b>2.5X</b> : 3,250 lbs/3,300 lbs   <b>2.5X Premium</b> : 3,300 lbs/3,340 lbs <b>2.5X Limited</b> : N/A/3,360 lbs	<b>2.5XT</b> : N/A/3,440 lbs   <b>2.5XT Limited</b> : N/A/3,460 lbs
Ground clearance (at base curb weight)	8.7 inches	8.9 inches
INTERIOR DIMENSIONS		
Headroom (front/rear)	41.6 inches/40.4 inches (with moonroof: 40.0 inches/37.7 inches)	40.0 inches/37.7 inches
Legroom (front/rear)	43.1 inches/38.0 inches	43.1 inches/38.0 inches
Shoulder room (front/rear)	56.1 inches/55.6 inches	56.1 inches/55.6 inches
Passenger volume	107.6 cubic feet (with moonroof: 102.1 cubic feet)	102.1 cubic feet
Cargo volume	33.5 cubic feet (with moonroof: 30.8 cubic feet)	30.8 cubic feet
Maximum cargo volume	68.3 cubic feet with rear seat lowered (with moonroof: 63.0 cubic feet)	63.0 cubic feet with rear seat lowered

## Forester Equipment

EXTERIOR	2.5X	2.5X PREMIUM	2.5X LIMITED	2.5XT	2.5XT LIMITED
Multireflector halogen headlights	●	●	●	●	●
Foglights	-	-	●	●	●
Functional hood scoop (feeds turbocharger intercooler)	-	-	-	●	●
Rear spoiler	-	-	-	●	●
Black side mirrors	●	-	-	-	-
Body-color side mirrors	-	●	●	●	●
Black door handles	●	-	-	-	-
Chrome door handles	-	●	●	●	●
2-speed windshield wipers with variable intermittent mode and mist feature	●	●	●	●	●
Windshield wiper de-icer and heated side mirrors	-	○ <sup>3</sup>	●	-	●
Single-speed rear window wiper with fixed intermittent mode	●	●	●	●	●
Raised roof rails	-	●	●	●	●
Panoramic moonroof	-	●	●	●	●
Rear privacy glass	-	●	●	●	●
SEATING AND TRIM					
6-way manually adjustable driver's seat. 4-way manually adjustable front-passenger's seat.	●	●	-	●	-
10-way power adjustable driver's seat with power adjustable lumbar support. 4-way manually adjustable front-passenger's seat.	-	-	●	-	●
Heated front seats	-	○ <sup>3</sup>	●	-	●
Reclining rear seats	-	●	●	●	●
60/40-split flat-folding rear seatback	●	●	●	●	●
Rear center armrest	●	●	●	●	●
Leather-wrapped steering wheel and shifter handle	-	-	●	-	●
Cloth upholstery	●	●	-	●	-
Leather-trimmed upholstery	-	-	●	-	●
Aluminum-alloy pedal covers	-	-	-	●	●
Silver metallic trim on dash and console	●	●	●	●	●
CONVENIENCE FEATURES					
Power front and rear windows with driver's auto-down	●	●	●	●	●
Power side mirrors	●	●	●	●	●
Electronic cruise control	●	●	●	●	●
3-spoke steering wheel with cruise control buttons	●	-	-	-	-
3-spoke steering wheel with audio system and cruise control buttons	-	●	●	●	●
Manually adjustable tilt steering column	●	●	●	-	-
Manually adjustable tilt/telescoping steering column	-	-	-	●	●
Single bottle holder in each door panel	●	●	●	●	●
Overhead console with dual maplights and sunglasses storage	●	●	●	●	●
Sun visors with concealed vanity mirrors	●	●	●	●	●
Multifunction center console with detachable pocket and partition, sliding armrest, dual cupholders and 12-volt power outlets	●	●	●	●	●
Automatic ambient lighting of center console area	●	●	●	●	●
In-dash illuminated storage tray	●	●	●	●	●
Retractable rear tray with dual cupholders	-	●	●	●	●
Cargo-area with 2 grocery bag hooks, 4 tiedown hooks and 2 upper utility hooks	●	●	●	●	●
Cargo-area underfloor storage	●	●	●	●	●
Removable cargo-area tray	-	-	●	-	-
INSTRUMENTATION					
Analog speedometer, tachometer and fuel gauges	●	●	●	●	●
Digital odometer and automatic transmission shift position indicator (when equipped)	●	●	●	●	●
Digital trip computer displaying average fuel economy, digital clock and ambient temperature	●	●	●	●	●
AUDIO SYSTEMS					
4-speaker audio system with single-disc in-dash CD player, MP3/WMA capability and vehicle-speed-sensing volume adjustment	●	●	-	-	-
6-speaker audio system with 6-disc in-dash CD changer, MP3/WMA capability, SRS Circle Surround Automotive® audio enhancement and vehicle-speed-sensing volume adjustment	-	-	●	●	●
Auxiliary audio jack	●	●	●	●	●
XM® or SIRIUS® Satellite Radio capability <sup>4</sup>	●	●	●	●	●

CLIMATE CONTROL	2.5X	2.5X PREMIUM	2.5X LIMITED	2.5XT	2.5XT LIMITED
Manually adjustable CFC-free air conditioning system with air filtration, rotary controls for temperature, fan and airflow direction	●	●	-	●	-
Automatic climate control system with CFC-free air conditioning, air filtration, rotary controls for temperature, fan and airflow direction	-	-	●	-	●

SAFETY	2.5X	2.5X PREMIUM	2.5X LIMITED	2.5XT	2.5XT LIMITED
ACTIVE					
Subaru Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive (AWD)	●	●	●	●	●
Vehicle Dynamics Control (VDC)	●	●	●	●	●
SUBARU BOXER engine	●	●	●	●	●
4-wheel antilock braking system (ABS) with Electronic Brake-force Distribution (EBD)	●	●	●	●	●
Brake Assist	●	●	●	●	●
Daytime Running Lights (DRL)	●	●	●	●	●

PASSIVE	2.5X	2.5X PREMIUM	2.5X LIMITED	2.5XT	2.5XT LIMITED
Dual driver's and front-passenger's front airbags (SRS) <sup>5</sup>	●	●	●	●	●
Subaru advanced frontal airbag system <sup>5</sup>	●	●	●	●	●
Side-curtain airbags protecting front and rear outboard occupants (SRS) <sup>5</sup>	●	●	●	●	●
Rollover sensor	●	●	●	●	●
Front-seat-mounted front side-impact airbags (SRS) <sup>5</sup>	●	●	●	●	●
Height-adjustable active front-seat head restraints	●	●	●	●	●
Height-adjustable 3-point front seatbelts with pretensioners and force limiters. 3-point seatbelts at all rear seating positions.	●	●	●	●	●
Rear child-safety door locks	●	●	●	●	●
Safety brake pedal system	●	●	●	●	●
Energy-absorbing collapsible steering column	●	●	●	●	●
Ring-shaped reinforcement frame body structure	●	●	●	●	●

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT	2.5X	2.5X PREMIUM	2.5X LIMITED	2.5XT	2.5XT LIMITED
4-speed adaptive electronic direct-control automatic transmission with SPORTSHIFT manual control	○	○	●	●	●
7-inch high-resolution touch-screen GPS navigation system and 6-speaker audio system with single-disc in-dash CD player, MP3/WMA capability, SRS Circle Surround Automotive audio enhancement, vehicle-speed-sensing volume adjustment and auxiliary audio/video inputs for portable multimedia devices	-	-	○	-	○
Bluetooth® hands-free wireless capability <sup>6</sup>	-	-	○	-	○
All-Weather Package: Windshield wiper de-icer, heated side mirrors and heated front seats	-	○	●	-	●

● Standard ○ Optional - Not available

<sup>1</sup> Available on 2009 Forester 2.5X models certified as Partial Zero Emission Vehicles (PZEV) that are sold, registered, and operated in California, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont and Washington. PZEV emissions warranty applies only in certain states. See your dealer for complete information on emissions and new car limited warranties. <sup>2</sup> 2009 EPA fuel economy estimates. Actual mileage may vary. <sup>3</sup> Optional as part of All-Weather Package. See equipment listing above. <sup>4</sup> Available as an accessory. Satellite radio hardware and required monthly subscription sold separately. See your dealer. <sup>5</sup> The Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) affords the driver and the front passenger additional protection in moderate to severe frontal and side-impact collisions and outboard 2nd-row passengers additional protection in moderate to severe side-impact collisions. This system provides supplemental protection only, and seatbelts must be worn in order to avoid injuries to out-of-position occupants upon airbag deployment and to provide the best combined protection in a serious accident. Children should always be properly restrained in one of the rear seats. See Owner's Manual for recommended seating position. <sup>6</sup> Available only with optional navigation system. Requires accessory microphone. See your dealer.

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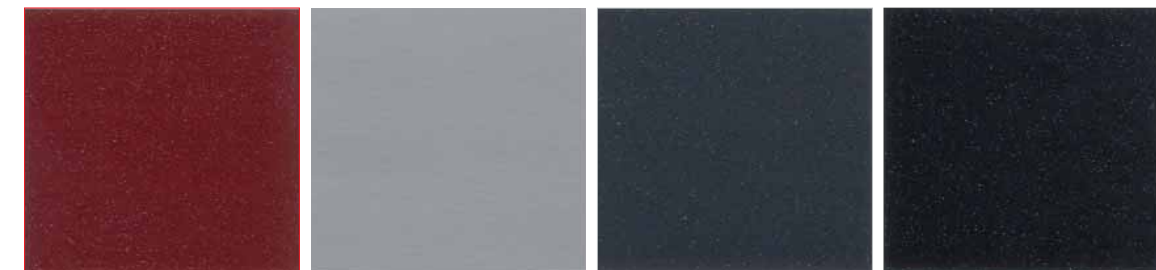
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## Colors

### Paint



Satin White Pearl      Spark Silver Metallic      Topaz Gold Metallic      Sage Green Metallic      Newport Blue Pearl

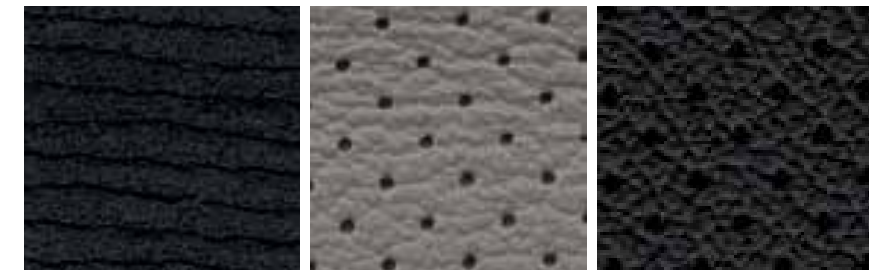


Camellia Red Pearl      Steel Silver Metallic      Dark Gray Metallic      Obsidian Black Pearl

### Upholstery



Aurora Platinum Cloth (APC)      Aurora Black Cloth (ABC)      Platinum Dune Cloth (PDC)



Black Dune Cloth (BDC)      Platinum Leather (PL)      Black Leather (BL)

## Forester Color Combinations

PAINT	2.5X and 2.5X Premium	2.5XT	2.5X Limited and 2.5XT Limited
Satin White Pearl	APC	PDC	PL
Spark Silver Metallic	ABC	BDC	BL
Topaz Gold Metallic	ABC	BDC	BL
Sage Green Metallic	APC	PDC	PL
Newport Blue Pearl	APC	PDC	PL
Camellia Red Pearl	ABC	BDC	BL
Steel Silver Metallic	APC	PDC	PL
Dark Gray Metallic	APC	PDC	PL
Obsidian Black Pearl	ABC	BDC	BL





### 1 Cross Bars—Aero

Cross bars mount to standard roof side rails and are compatible with most genuine Subaru roof carriers available for bikes, kayaks, or skis. Also available are enclosed cargo carriers and cargo baskets. A Roof Carrier Base Kit is available for models without roof side rails.

Aero cross bars shown with heavy-duty cargo basket.

### 2 Cargo Tray

Tough, durable tray helps protect cargo area. Can be easily removed and rinsed clean. Available in Black and Platinum colors.

### 3 Sport Grille

Bold metal mesh design adds an aggressive look to Forester. Comes pre-painted and ready to install.

### 4 Rear Bumper Cover

Helps protect upper surface of painted rear bumper from scratches and dings during loading and unloading.

### 5 All-Weather Floor Mats

Custom-fitted, heavy-gauge protective mats. Help protect vehicle carpet from sand, dirt and moisture.

Not intended for use over top of carpeted floor mats.

### 6 iPod Interface

Take your music, podcasts and audiobooks on the road with the Subaru iPod® interface. Control your iPod through the factory head unit and steering wheel controls (if equipped).

Shown with iPod/cell phone tray.

### 7 Body-Side Moldings

Color-matched moldings help protect vehicle doors from parking lot dings while attractively blending with the lines of the car.

### 8 Bluetooth Hands-Free Kit

Wirelessly connect a Bluetooth® compatible cell phone with your Forester using menu choices displayed on the navigation screen. Allows you to make and receive calls, store phone book information and recognize up to five different phones.

Some Bluetooth phones may not be compatible.

### 9 Remote Engine Starter

Allows vehicle to be started by pushing a button from the convenience of home or the office (up to 400 feet away, depending on obstructions) so that the vehicle's interior temperature is more comfortable upon entry.

### 10 Trailer Hitch

Heavy-duty, rated at 200 pounds tongue weight and 2,400 pounds towing capacity.

Ball not included. Trailer brakes may be needed.

### 11 Satellite Radio

Over 130 digital channels of commercial-free programming, including music, sports, news, talk, lifestyle and more. Your choice of XM® or SIRIUS®.

Monthly subscriptions sold separately. Additional fees, equipment and taxes may apply. Not available in Hawaii and Alaska.

### 12 Puddle Lights

L.E.D. lights illuminate when vehicle doors are unlocked using the keyless entry. A soft glow shines on the ground, aiding entry and exit of the vehicle.

Make a Subaru your Subaru with Genuine Subaru **accessories**. With everything from styling enhancements to storage solutions, you can outfit your Subaru to be as unique as your adventures. Backed by a 3-year or 36,000-mile limited warranty, they're built with Subaru reliability in mind.

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It's possibly the most important option you choose. Protect your investment with a Subaru® Added Security® extended service contract—the only one backed by Subaru of America, Inc. Ask your salesperson for coverage details and assistance in selecting the plan that's best for you—up to 7 years or 100,000 miles.

#### Subaru.com

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#### The Subaru Roadside Assistance Program

This comprehensive package covers all 2009 Subaru vehicles during the first 3 years or 36,000 miles, whichever comes first. By calling the toll-free number in the Owner's Information Kit, Subaru owners can take advantage of any of the following benefits:

- 24-Hour Roadside Assistance, seven days a week, 365 days a year, 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.

#### Powertrain Limited Warranty

5 years or 60,000 miles, whichever comes first.

#### Rust Perforation Limited Warranty

5 years, unlimited mileage.

#### New Car Limited Warranty

3 years or 36,000 miles, whichever comes first.

#### Wear Item Limited Warranty

3 years or 36,000 miles, whichever comes first. We cover you where others don't. Repairs to the following items will also be covered under warranty:

- Brake Pads
- Wiper Blades
- Clutch Linings
- Transmitter Batteries

#### Insurance Privileges for Subaru Owners

The driving experience is only one of the benefits of Subaru ownership. Through Subaru Advantage Insurance by Liberty Mutual, Subaru owners may be eligible for an exclusive rate on auto and home insurance just for owning a Subaru. To learn more about Subaru Advantage Insurance and the special features designed for Subaru owners, visit [subaru.com](http://subaru.com).

<sup>1</sup> Based on R. L. Polk & Co. registration data in the U.S. 1998 to July 2007.

...because of the excellent safety these cars have, I was able to walk away with little to no injury • The spacious cargo area is great for all the things a teacher loves to bring to the classroom, as well as groceries and our luggage for vacations • This car has never failed to take me where I want to go, no matter the conditions • Once in the showroom, I immediately walked over to the Forester and knew I would buy it • The car hit me going 50 miles an hour, and while there wasn't a whole lot left of the front end and right side of my car, the interior was perfect! My car gave up its life to save mine • The loader guy proceeded to fill up the back of the car, and when he had finished, all six windows were in...Wowie!! • **The Subaru Forester, in the words of those who own them** • I was in love from the first test drive • My Subaru Forester is the best car I've ever had • I want to thank you for building a car that literally saved my life • The handling is fantastic! • Because my Subaru is so dependable, I never hesitate to commit to drive • The tire missed slamming into my windshield by scant inches. My daughter-in-law said, 'I'm glad you were driving and not me.' I said, 'Thank Subaru for great brakes and handling' • I can't imagine being silly enough to own anything else! • Thanks for a great driving experience!



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