



BMW

M2 Coupé

South Africa • 2026 Hagalu Buyer's Guide

2993 cc

ENGINE

353 kW

POWER

140 mm

CLEARANCE

12.5 km/l

FUEL ECON

4 seats

SEATING

ZAR 1,601,000

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

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Hagalu editorial score

1 Variants

1 Priced

01 Overview & Quick Facts

The BMW M2 Coupé takes the compact two-door idea and centres it on high-performance engineering. South Africa's current M2 range contains two distinct core identities. The rear-wheel-drive G87 M2 Coupé retains a choice between six-speed manual and eight-speed M Steptronic automatic, while the separately named BMW M2 with M xDrive is an automatic-only, rear-biased all-wheel-drive build-to-order derivative. Neither is interchangeable with M240i xDrive or M2 CS. BMW's official local technical material gives the current M2 353 kW. Torque and acceleration differ with transmission context in published information, with the manual retaining a particularly direct mechanical role and the automatic offering easier repeatability. The crucial fact is not a contest between brochure numbers. The two gearboxes create different ownership experiences. A manual asks the driver to participate on every journey and may appeal to long-term enthusiasts; the automatic is easier in congestion and can make the performance more accessible. Buyers need to confirm which gearbox the production slot carries and ensure every insurance, finance and registration document follows that configuration. Rear-wheel drive is fundamental to the model's character. It also requires...



Body Style	2-door high-performance coupé
Launched	2022
Generation	G87 compact high-performance two-door coupé developed by BMW M.
Fuel Types	Petrol
Colours	Current BMW Individual and series paint choices, wheels, seats and carbon equipment depend on the exact South African build and option list.
OEM Website	https://www.bmw.co.za/en/all-models/m-series/bmw-2-series-m-models/bmw-m2-coupe.html

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Ex-Showroom Starting Price	ZAR 1,601,000	1 Listed Variants
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
M2 Coupé	Petrol	8-Speed Automatic	M	ZAR 1,601,000

Estimated On-Road Price — M2 Coupé (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 1,631,212
Cape Town	ZAR 1,637,315
Durban	ZAR 1,626,910
Pretoria	ZAR 1,629,061

* On-road prices are estimates including registration, road tax and insurance.

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS ✓ Full-M six-cylinder performance in a compact body ✓ Choice of manual or automatic transmission ✓ Rear-wheel-drive character ✓ Clear distinction from M240i xDrive ✓ Usable boot and occasional rear seating	● CONSIDERATIONS ✗ High insurance and consumable exposure ✗ Two-door access limits convenience ✗ Road tyres dislike poor surfaces ✗ Options can reduce daily comfort ✗ Performance demands mature judgement
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Hagalu Editorial Verdict

"A compact, serious driver's car whose manual-or-automatic choice matters more than decorative options."

The rear-driven M2 is one of the clearest enthusiast propositions in BMW's South African range. Its 353 kW six-cylinder engine, full-M chassis and transmission choice give buyers meaningful decisions instead of cosmetic grade steps. It is also demanding: two-door practicality, tyre and brake exposure, insurance and driver judgement belong in the purchase case. Keeping M2 Coupé and BMW M2 with M xDrive as separate derivatives lets each be evaluated honestly while M240i xDrive and M2 CS remain outside their identities. Manual and automatic candidates deserve separate drives before the order is fixed.

City Driving	The M2 can commute, but congestion exposes clutch effort in the manual, low-profile tyre vulnerability and the width of long doors. The automatic reduces workload without making the car inexpensive. Drive gently until temperatures are appropriate, leave margin on wet paint and patched surfaces, and confirm camera content on the quoted build. A secure parking plan and written insurance acceptance matter as much as acceleration. Short trips that never warm the drivetrain are also a poor match for ownership based only on appearance.
Highway	On a national road, the M2 has far more performance than legal progress requires. Its value lies in response, stability and driver connection, not attempting to use maximum speed. Plan overtakes, preserve following distance and inspect tyres before long journeys. The rear seat and boot can support a couple's tour, but test luggage, ride comfort and cabin noise with the fitted wheels. The manual creates engagement; the automatic offers relaxed cruising. Neither transmission cancels fatigue or weather risk.
Off-Road	Rear-wheel drive, road tyres, low bodywork and performance suspension make rough terrain inappropriate. Smooth, short gravel access may be possible at cautious speed only after checking stones, corrugations and gradients. Stability systems are not underbody armour, and an M differential is not a low-range transfer case. Track capability does not imply rally-road suitability. Owners reaching remote venues need the safest surface and tyre-support information.
Best For	M2 is for an experienced enthusiast who wants a compact full-M car and understands the difference between buying speed and managing it. Manual buyers value participation; automatic buyers value easier daily use and rapid shifts. Either needs a realistic budget for premium fuel, insurance, tyres, brakes and secure storage, plus a household that can accept two-door access.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 1 variants of the BMW M2 Coupé side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	M2 Coupé
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 1,601,000
Fuel Type	Petrol
Transmission	8-Speed Automatic
Trim Level	M
Engine	2993 cc (3.0L)
Max Power	353 kW (473 bhp)
Max Torque	600 Nm (443 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	RWD
Fuel Economy	12.5 km/l
Seating	4
Boot Space	390 L
Ground Clearance	140 mm
Kerb Weight	1805 kg

→ [Compare these variants on hagalu.com](#) (published prices, on-road estimates, source-backed specifications and buyer guidance)

05 BMW M2 Coupé — M2 Coupé

ZAR 1,601,000

ENGINE 2993 cc	POWER 353 kW · 473 bhp	TORQUE 600 Nm · 443 lb-ft	ECONOMY 12.5 km/l	FUEL Petrol 8-Speed Automatic
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M Trim · Petrol · 8-Speed Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	BMW turbocharged engine	Engine Code	B48
Fuel Type	Petrol	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	2993 cc	Cylinders	6
Cylinder Layout	Inline	Valves	16
Valves per Cylinder	4	Aspiration	Turbocharged
Fuel System	Direct injection	Compression Ratio	10.5:1

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

LSD Available	Not Applicable	Gearbox	8-Speed Automatic
Drivetrain Layout	Rear-wheel drive	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable	Paddle Shifters	Yes
Transmission Speeds	6	Rear Differential Lock	Not Applicable
Drivetrain	RWD	Axle Layout	Yes
Low Range	Not Applicable	Low Range Ratio	Not Applicable

DIMENSIONS

Length	4580 mm	Width	1887 mm
Height	1403 mm	Wheelbase	2747 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	140 mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	125 mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	52 l	Boot/Cargo Space	390 l
Kerb Weight	1805 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	2155 kg
Payload Capacity	425 kg	Towing Capacity	1600 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Range Real World Mixed	420 km	Electric Consumption	Not Applicable
Charging Type	Not Applicable	Charging Port Type	Not Applicable
Combined Driving Range	Not Applicable	Range Real World Highway	360 km
Real-world Mileage	12.0 km/l	Fuel Tank Litres	52
Auto Start Stop	Standard	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Emission Standard	Euro 6	Fuel Tank Capacity	52 l

SAFETY

Brake Assist	Standard	ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard	Hill Start Assist	Standard

Hill Descent Control	Yes	Traction Control	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	ABS	Standard
Airbags	6	Engine Immobiliser	Standard
ABS EBD	Standard	BA	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Keyless Entry	Comfort Access	Climate Control	Standard
Power Windows	Standard	Push Button Start	Yes
Wireless Charging	Standard	Sunroof	Panoramic
Electric Tailgate	No	Rain Sensing Wipers	Yes
AC Type	Automatic air conditioning		—

+ 12 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ See M2 Coupé full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa

Compare with rivals →

06 Explore More on Hagalu

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