

FOTON

eTruckmate

South Africa • 2026 Hagalu Buyer's Guide

60 kW

POWER

**Not Officially
Disclosed mm**

CLEARANCE

**Not Applicable
km/l**

FUEL ECON

2 seats

SEATING

ZAR 575,000

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

<https://www.hagalu.com/south-africa/foton/etruckmate/>
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Hagalu editorial score

1 Variants

1 Priced

01 Overview & Quick Facts

The live Foton South Africa page lists one eTruckMate at R575,000. It states a permanent-magnet synchronous motor producing 60 kW and 210 Nm, a lithium-iron-phosphate battery labelled 38 kWh and a 280 km range. Charge times are shown as 1.5 hours DC and seven hours AC, without state-of-charge windows. Dimensions are 4,670 mm by 1,590 mm by 1,860 mm on a 2,600 mm wheelbase. The table lists 1,170 kg curb weight, 1,380 kg load weight, 2,540 kg gross combination mass and a 90 km/h maximum speed. Roadside assistance runs for five years. Foton lists battery-and-motor warranty at five years or 200,000 km, while the remaining vehicle cover lasts three years or 100,000 km. eTruckmate targets local commercial loops where a compact open-body truck can return to a charger. The 1,380 kg listed load weight and 280 km claim are useful screening numbers, but they should never be combined without a laden route test. Payload, speed, gradients, temperature and accessory use change energy demand. Its R575,000 acquisition price should be compared with the petrol Truckmate over matching annual kilometres, including charger...

Body Style	Electric single-cab light truck
Launched	2024
Generation	Compact electric single-cab commercial platform on a 2,600 mm wheelbase.
Fuel Types	Electric
Colours	Exterior colour availability is not specified.
OEM Website	https://fotonsa.co.za/new-models/etruckmate/

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Ex-Showroom Starting Price	ZAR 575,000	1 Listed Variants
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
eTruckMate	Electric	Not Officially Disclosed	Etruckmate	ZAR 575,000

Estimated On-Road Price — eTruckMate (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 592,900
Cape Town	ZAR 595,925
Durban	ZAR 590,650
Pretoria	ZAR 591,775

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

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS ✓ R575,000 current South African price ✓ Listed 1,380 kg load weight ✓ Compact 1,590 mm width ✓ LFP battery chemistry ✓ Five-year/200,000 km battery and motor cover ✓ Air conditioning and Bluetooth listed	● CONSIDERATIONS ✗ Range test cycle is not named ✗ Battery capacity basis is unclear ✗ Charge windows and rates need confirmation ✗ 90 km/h maximum narrows route choice ✗ Current and earlier Foton material quote slightly different technical figures ✗ Depot charging is an additional project
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Hagalu Editorial Verdict

"eTruckmate can be an efficient local-route tool, but its 280 km headline must survive a fully laden depot pilot."

The eTruckmate is a compact, clearly priced electric alternative with an unusually useful listed load weight. Its ideal job is predictable and local, with reliable depot charging and a speed profile compatible with the 90 km/h maximum. Buyers still need cycle, usable-capacity, charging-window and payload confirmation. When a monitored pilot proves the route, the proposition is credible; without that test, the official range figure leaves too much operational uncertainty. The strongest case is a repeat local loop whose load, road speed and charging window can be scheduled without depending on public infrastructure.

City Driving	A 4.67-metre length and 1.59-metre width make eTruckmate easier to place in dense delivery zones than a large bakkie, while the listed 90 km/h maximum suits local rather than fast intercity duty. Plan a reserve, log energy per loaded route and charge during predictable dwell. Open cargo still needs restraint, weather protection and theft controls. Driver training should cover regenerative response, charge etiquette and safe isolation after an incident.
Highway	The 90 km/h listed maximum and small battery label make route discipline central. Short motorway links may fit a local loop, but long national-road work needs carefully tested range and charging alternatives. Headwinds, gradients and a tall load can consume margin quickly. Do not schedule to the last kilometre of the published 280 km claim, especially when carrying close to the listed load weight.
Off-Road	The rear leaf-spring commercial layout does not create a 4x4. Foton does not publish a validated loaded-clearance or battery-underbody protection claim for this derivative. Keep the truck on known roads and graded yards unless the exact route has been assessed. Debris, water and recovery access deserve extra attention because high-voltage components require appropriate incident procedures.
Best For	The eTruckmate is for local operators needing an open commercial body, compact width and a return-to-depot routine. Its 90 km/h maximum points toward municipal, maintenance, construction-support or short delivery loops rather than sustained national-road work. The listed 1,380 kg load weight is attractive, but route energy must be tested with that routine cargo aboard. A secure overnight base, dependable charging and a plan for load shedding are essential. Buyers should confirm the current battery and motor specification on the invoiced vehicle because Foton's earlier local release used slightly different figures. A business whose work changes daily or spans distant sites may find the petrol Truckmate easier to schedule.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

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

SPEC	eTruckMate
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 575,000
Fuel Type	Electric
Transmission	Not Officially Disclosed
Trim Level	Etruckmate
Engine	Not Applicable
Max Power	60 kW (80 bhp)
Max Torque	Not Officially Disclosed
Drivetrain	Not Officially Disclosed
Fuel Economy	Not Applicable
Seating	2
Boot Space	Not Officially Disclosed
Ground Clearance	Not Officially Disclosed
Kerb Weight	Not Officially Disclosed

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

05 Foton eTruckmate — eTruckMate

ZAR 575,000

POWER 60 kW · 80 bhp	ECONOMY Not Applicable km/l	FUEL Electric
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Etruckmate Trim · Electric · Not Officially Disclosed

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	Single-motor battery-electric powertrain	Engine Code	Not Applicable
Fuel Type	Electric	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	Not Applicable cc	Cylinders	Not Applicable
Cylinder Layout	Not Applicable	Valves	Not Applicable
Valves per Cylinder	Not Applicable	Aspiration	Not Applicable
Fuel System	Not Applicable	Compression Ratio	Not Applicable

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

LSD Available	Not Officially Disclosed	Gearbox	Not Officially Disclosed
Drivetrain Layout	Not Officially Disclosed	Transfer Case	Not Officially Disclosed
Differential Lock	Not Officially Disclosed	Paddle Shifters	Not Officially Disclosed
Transmission Speeds	Not Officially Disclosed	Rear Differential Lock	Not Officially Disclosed
Drivetrain	Not Officially Disclosed	Axle Layout	Not Officially Disclosed
Low Range	Not Officially Disclosed	Low Range Ratio	Not Officially Disclosed

DIMENSIONS

Length	4670 mm	Width	1590 mm
Height	1860 mm	Wheelbase	2600 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	Not Officially Disclosed mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	Not Officially Disclosed mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	0 l	Boot/Cargo Space	Not Officially Disclosed l
Kerb Weight	Not Officially Disclosed kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	Not Officially Disclosed kg
Payload Capacity	Not Officially Disclosed kg	Towing Capacity	Not Officially Disclosed kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Range Real World Mixed	Not Officially Disclosed km	Electric Consumption	Not Officially Disclosed
Charging Type	AC and DC	Charging Port Type	Not Officially Disclosed
Combined Driving Range	Not Officially Disclosed	Range Real World Highway	Not Officially Disclosed km
Real-world Mileage	Not Applicable km/l	Fuel Tank Litres	Not Applicable
Auto Start Stop	Not Officially Disclosed	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Emission Standard	Zero tailpipe emissions	Fuel Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l

SAFETY

Brake Assist	Not Officially Disclosed	ISOFIX Mounts	Not Officially Disclosed
Child Safety Lock	Not Officially Disclosed	Hill Start Assist	Not Officially Disclosed

Hill Descent Control	Not Officially Disclosed	Traction Control	Not Officially Disclosed
Electronic Stability Control	Not Officially Disclosed	ABS	Yes
Airbags	Not Officially Disclosed	Engine Immobiliser	Not Officially Disclosed
ABS EBD	Yes	BA	Not Officially Disclosed

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Keyless Entry	Central locking	Climate Control	Air conditioning
Power Windows	Yes	Push Button Start	Not Officially Disclosed
Wireless Charging	Not Officially Disclosed	Sunroof	Not Officially Disclosed
Electric Tailgate	Not Officially Disclosed	Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Officially Disclosed
AC Type	Manual		—

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

→ See eTruckMate full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa

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06 Explore More on Hagalu

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→ eTruckMate — ZAR 575,000

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