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# Cannon

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<b>1996 cc</b> ENGINE	<b>110 kW</b> POWER	<b>210 mm</b> CLEARANCE	<b>9.8 L/100</b> FUEL ECON	<b>5 seats</b> SEATING
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**ZAR 484,900 – 634,900**  
Ex-Showroom Starting Price


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## 01 Overview & Quick Facts

If the P Series is GWM's workhorse, the Cannon is its weekend warrior. The two bakkies share a powertrain and a basic chassis architecture, but the Cannon is positioned for buyers who want a double-cab that does the school run on weekdays and the Drakensberg run on weekends. It's the GWM answer to the Hilux Raider 4x2 and the Ranger XLT 4x2 — the volume lifestyle trims that take the bulk of bakkie sales in metropolitan South Africa. Pricing tells the story. The Cannon starts at R484,900 for the Xtra Cab Manual, rising through R524,900 for the Double Cab LS, R569,900 for the Double Cab LT and R634,900 for the Double Cab LX 4x4 flagship. That's a R40,000–R50,000 premium over the equivalent P Series specification, and it buys you a different cabin treatment, larger 18-inch alloy wheels as standard from LS, a larger 12.3-inch infotainment screen across the upper trims, and a softer suspension calibration that prioritises ride comfort over outright payload. The Cannon's payload of 930 kg versus the P Series' 1,020 kg might look like a step backward,...



<b>Body Style</b>	Body-on-frame ladder-chassis lifestyle bakkie. Xtra cab and double cab body styles. Rear-wheel-drive on workhorse and middle trims; selectable 4x4 with low range on the flagship LX.
<b>Launched</b>	2021
<b>Generation</b>	Cannon sold in South Africa is the first generation, derived from Great Wall's POER platform shared with the P Series but with bodywork, suspension calibration and cabin treatment positioned for the lifestyle segment rather than the work bakkie use case.
<b>Fuel Types</b>	Diesel
<b>Colours</b>	Crystal White, Hamilton White, Pittsburgh Silver, Mars Red, Sand Stone Beige and Dignity Black. Colour availability shifts by model year and some shades are limited to higher trims.
<b>OEM Website</b>	<a href="https://www.gwm.co.za/cannon/">https://www.gwm.co.za/cannon/</a>

## 02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Starting From	<b>ZAR 484,900 – 634,900</b>			4 Variants Available
Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
2.0T Xtra Cab Manual	Diesel	Manual	Base	<b>ZAR 484,900</b>
2.0T Double Cab LS	Diesel	Automatic	Mid	<b>ZAR 524,900</b>
2.0T Double Cab LT	Diesel	Automatic	Top	<b>ZAR 569,900</b>
2.0T Double Cab LX 4x4	Diesel	Automatic	Flagship	<b>ZAR 634,900</b>

### Estimated On-Road Price — 2.0T Xtra Cab Manual (Base Variant)

<b>Johannesburg</b>	<b>ZAR 501,718</b>
<b>Cape Town</b>	<b>ZAR 504,473</b>
<b>Durban</b>	<b>ZAR 499,649</b>
<b>Pretoria</b>	<b>ZAR 500,683</b>

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

## 03 Pros, Cons & Expert Verdict

● STRENGTHS	● CONSIDERATIONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Larger 12.3-inch infotainment screen and wireless CarPlay/Android Auto standard from LS...</li> <li>✓ More comfortable suspension calibration than the P Series for lifestyle and family use</li> <li>✓ Panoramic sunroof on the LX flagship adds segment-leading premium feel</li> <li>✓ 5-year/100,000 km warranty plus 5-year/75,000 km service plan included as standard</li> <li>✓ Equipment-rich double cabs at price points where Hilux and Ranger require option-list...</li> <li>✓ 8-speed automatic delivers smooth shifts and decent fuel economy on highway cruising</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Manual gearbox on the Xtra Cab Manual variant feels long-throw and notchy compared to...</li> <li>✗ Residual values still trail the Hilux and Ranger by approximately R85,000 over a 5-year...</li> <li>✗ Lane-keep assist and driver-fatigue alert can be over-eager on poorly-marked rural roads</li> <li>✗ Lower payload of 930 kg versus 1,020 kg on the P Series — relevant for tradie use</li> <li>✗ Parts wait times in rural areas can stretch longer than equivalent Hilux or Ranger orders</li> </ul>

## Expert Verdict

*"The lifestyle bakkie that gives Hilux Raider buyers a credible alternative — equipment-rich, comfortable, and priced to make established brands work harder."*

The Cannon's positioning in South Africa's lifestyle bakkie segment is well-judged. It's more comfortable than the P Series, more equipment-rich than the Hilux Raider at equivalent price, and offered with a warranty package that rivals don't match. The Chinese-brand residual question remains, but for the lifestyle buyer who keeps the bakkie 4+ years, the value equation tips clearly in the Cannon's favour.

<b>City Driving</b>	In daily urban duty across Joburg, Cape Town, Durban or Pretoria, the Cannon is comfortable and easy to manoeuvre at typical city speeds. Light power steering, sharp turning circle for the segment, and the 360-camera on LT and LX trims make tight parking manageable. The softer suspension tune over the P Series means urban potholes are absorbed more comfortably.
<b>Highway</b>	On the N1, N3 or N4 at sustained motorway speeds, the Cannon cruises quietly at around 1,950 rpm in 8th gear. Wind noise is well-suppressed; the slightly softer suspension calibration delivers a more comfortable ride than the workhorse-focused P Series. Real-world fuel consumption at 120 km/h sits around 8.5–9.5 L/100 km. Overtaking torque is strong in the 1,500–2,500 rpm band.
<b>Off-Road</b>	Xtra Cab Manual and Double Cab LS/LT are 4x2 only — fine for gravel and light off-road. The LX 4x4 offers genuine off-road capability with low range, rear differential lock, 215 mm ground clearance and 800 mm wading depth. Approach 30°, departure 28°, ramp-over 26°. Suitable for Sani Pass-grade gravel passes, Lesotho border crossings, and serious recreational 4x4 use.
<b>Best For</b>	South African lifestyle bakkie buyers — families who want a double-cab for daily duties and weekend adventures, professionals who want the bakkie body style without the work-truck austerity, and outdoor enthusiasts who tow caravans or boats. Suits buyers in metropolitan SA with access to the established GWM dealer network.

## 04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 4 variants of the Gwm Cannon side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	2.0T Xtra Cab Manual	2.0T Double Cab LS	2.0T Double Cab LT	2.0T Double Cab LX 4x4
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 484,900	ZAR 524,900	ZAR 569,900	ZAR 634,900
Fuel Type	Diesel	Diesel	Diesel	Diesel
Transmission	Manual	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic
Trim Level	Base	Mid	Top	Flagship
Engine	1996 cc (2.0L)	1996 cc (2.0L)	1996 cc (2.0L)	1996 cc (2.0L)
Max Power	110 kW (148 bhp)	110 kW (148 bhp)	110 kW (148 bhp)	110 kW (148 bhp)
Max Torque	480 Nm (354 lb-ft)	480 Nm (354 lb-ft)	480 Nm (354 lb-ft)	480 Nm (354 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	RWD	RWD	RWD	4WD
Fuel Economy	9.8 km/l	9.8 km/l	9.8 km/l	9.8 km/l
Seating	3	5	5	5
Boot Space	—	—	—	—
Ground Clearance	210 mm	210 mm	210 mm	210 mm
Kerb Weight	2035 kg	2035 kg	2035 kg	2035 kg

→ [Compare these variants on hagalu.com](#) (live prices, on-road costs, real owner reviews and EMI calculator)

## 05 Gwm Cannon — 2.0T Xtra Cab Manual

ZAR 484,900

ENGINE <b>1996</b> cc	POWER <b>110</b> kW · 148 bhp	TORQUE <b>480</b> Nm · 354 lb-ft	ECONOMY <b>9.8</b> km/l	FUEL <b>Diesel</b> Manual
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Base Trim · Diesel · Manual

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## ENGINE &amp; PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.0L GW4D20 Turbocharged Diesel	Engine Type	Inline 4 Cylinder Turbocharged Diesel
Engine Type Config	Inline 4 Cylinder (I4) DOHC 16-Valve Turbocharged	Engine Code	GW4D20
Cylinder Layout	Inline 4 (I4)	Cylinders	4
Valves per Cylinder	16	Displacement	1996 cc
Engine Aspiration	Turbocharged	Turbocharger	Yes
Compression Ratio	16.5:1	Cylinder Bore	84 mm

## TRANSMISSION &amp; DRIVETRAIN

Drivetrain Layout	Front Engine Rear Wheel Drive	Transmission	Manual
Transmission Type	Manual	Transmission	6-Speed Manual
Number of Gears	6	Clutch Type	Dry Single Plate
Drive Type	RWD	Drivetrain	4x2 RWD
Differential Lock	No	Steering Turns Lock to Lock	16.5:1
LSD Available	No	Final Drive Ratio	3.54

## DIMENSIONS

Number of Doors	2	Seats	3
Seating Capacity	3	Length	5380 mm
Width	1920 mm	Height	1710 mm
Wheelbase	3180 mm	Ground Clearance	210 mm
Kerb Weight	2035 kg	Towing Capacity	3500 kg
Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l	Load Bed Length	1505 mm

## MILEAGE &amp; EFFICIENCY

Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l	AdBlue Tank Capacity	No l
Claimed Mileage	9.8 km/l	Emission Standard	Euro 5
Low Fuel Warning	Yes	City Mileage	11.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	9.5 km/l	Average Fuel Consumption	10.5
Real-world Mileage	10.5 km/l	Claimed Fuel Consumption	9.8 l/100km
Fuel Efficiency	Moderate l/100km	Auto Start Stop	No

## SAFETY

ABS	Yes	Electronic Stability Control	Yes
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TCS	Yes	BA	Yes
EBD	Yes	Hill Start Assist	Yes
Central Locking	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Yes
Alarm System	Yes	Driver Airbag	Yes
Passenger Airbag	Yes	Side Airbags	Yes

## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Payload Capacity	930	Valves Per Cylinder	4
Intercooler	Yes	Fuel Consumption Combined	9.8
Hill Start Assist	Yes	Spare Wheel	Yes
Engine Warranty	5 Years / 100,000 km	Service Plan	5 Years / 75,000 km
Multi Function Steering	Yes	AC Type	Manual Air Conditioning
Rear Defogger	Yes	Power Windows	Yes

+ 11 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ [See 2.0T Xtra Cab Manual full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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## 06 Gwm Cannon — 2.0T Double Cab LS

ZAR 524,900

ENGINE <b>1996</b> cc	POWER <b>110</b> kW · 148 bhp	TORQUE <b>480</b> Nm · 354 lb-ft	ECONOMY <b>9.8</b> km/l	FUEL <b>Diesel</b> Automatic
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Mid Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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## ENGINE &amp; PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.0L GW4D20 Turbocharged Diesel	Engine Type	Inline 4 Cylinder Turbocharged Diesel
Engine Type Config	Inline 4 Cylinder (I4) DOHC 16-Valve Turbocharged	Engine Code	GW4D20
Cylinder Layout	Inline 4 (I4)	Cylinders	4
Valves per Cylinder	16	Displacement	1996 cc
Engine Aspiration	Turbocharged	Turbocharger	Yes
Compression Ratio	16.5:1	Cylinder Bore	84 mm

## TRANSMISSION &amp; DRIVETRAIN

Drivetrain Layout	Front Engine Rear Wheel Drive	Transmission	Automatic
Transmission Type	Automatic	Transmission	8-Speed Automatic
Number of Gears	8	Drive Type	RWD
Drivetrain	4x2 RWD	Differential Lock	No
Paddle Shifters	No	Steering Turns Lock to Lock	16.5:1
LSD Available	No	Final Drive Ratio	3.54

## DIMENSIONS

Number of Doors	4	Seats	5
Seating Capacity	5	Length	5380 mm
Width	1920 mm	Height	1835 mm
Wheelbase	3180 mm	Ground Clearance	210 mm
Kerb Weight	2035 kg	Towing Capacity	3500 kg
Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l	Load Bed Length	1505 mm

## MILEAGE &amp; EFFICIENCY

Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l	AdBlue Tank Capacity	No l
Claimed Mileage	9.8 km/l	Emission Standard	Euro 5
Low Fuel Warning	Yes	City Mileage	11.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	9.5 km/l	Average Fuel Consumption	10.5
Real-world Mileage	10.5 km/l	Claimed Fuel Consumption	9.8 l/100km
Fuel Efficiency	Moderate l/100km	Auto Start Stop	No

## SAFETY

ABS	Yes	Electronic Stability Control	Yes
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TCS	Yes	BA	Yes
EBD	Yes	Hill Start Assist	Yes
Central Locking	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Yes
Alarm System	Yes	Driver Airbag	Yes
Passenger Airbag	Yes	Side Airbags	Yes

## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Payload Capacity	930	Valves Per Cylinder	4
Intercooler	Yes	Fuel Consumption Combined	9.8
Hill Start Assist	Yes	Spare Wheel	Yes
Engine Warranty	5 Years / 100,000 km	Service Plan	5 Years / 75,000 km
Multi Function Steering	Yes	AC Type	Dual Zone Climate Control
Rear Defogger	Yes	Power Windows	Yes

+ 11 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ [See 2.0T Double Cab LS full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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## 07 Gwm Cannon — 2.0T Double Cab LT

ZAR 569,900

ENGINE <b>1996</b> cc	POWER <b>110</b> kW · 148 bhp	TORQUE <b>480</b> Nm · 354 lb-ft	ECONOMY <b>9.8</b> km/l	FUEL <b>Diesel</b> Automatic
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## ENGINE &amp; PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.0L GW4D20 Turbocharged Diesel	Engine Type	Inline 4 Cylinder Turbocharged Diesel
Engine Type Config	Inline 4 Cylinder (I4) DOHC 16-Valve Turbocharged	Engine Code	GW4D20
Cylinder Layout	Inline 4 (I4)	Cylinders	4
Valves per Cylinder	16	Displacement	1996 cc
Engine Aspiration	Turbocharged	Turbocharger	Yes
Compression Ratio	16.5:1	Cylinder Bore	84 mm

## TRANSMISSION &amp; DRIVETRAIN

Drivetrain Layout	Front Engine Rear Wheel Drive	Transmission	Automatic
Transmission Type	Automatic	Transmission	8-Speed Automatic
Number of Gears	8	Drive Type	RWD
Drivetrain	4x2 RWD	Differential Lock	No
Paddle Shifters	No	Steering Turns Lock to Lock	16.5:1
LSD Available	No	Final Drive Ratio	3.54

## DIMENSIONS

Number of Doors	4	Seats	5
Seating Capacity	5	Length	5380 mm
Width	1920 mm	Height	1835 mm
Wheelbase	3180 mm	Ground Clearance	210 mm
Kerb Weight	2035 kg	Towing Capacity	3500 kg
Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l	Load Bed Length	1505 mm

## MILEAGE &amp; EFFICIENCY

Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l	AdBlue Tank Capacity	No l
Claimed Mileage	9.8 km/l	Emission Standard	Euro 5
Low Fuel Warning	Yes	City Mileage	11.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	9.5 km/l	Average Fuel Consumption	10.5
Real-world Mileage	10.5 km/l	Claimed Fuel Consumption	9.8 l/100km
Fuel Efficiency	Moderate l/100km	Auto Start Stop	No

## SAFETY

ABS	Yes	Electronic Stability Control	Yes
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TCS	Yes	BA	Yes
EBD	Yes	Hill Start Assist	Yes
Central Locking	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Yes
Alarm System	Yes	Driver Airbag	Yes
Passenger Airbag	Yes	Side Airbags	Yes

## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Payload Capacity	930	Valves Per Cylinder	4
Intercooler	Yes	Fuel Consumption Combined	9.8
Hill Start Assist	Yes	Spare Wheel	Yes
Engine Warranty	5 Years / 100,000 km	Service Plan	5 Years / 75,000 km
Multi Function Steering	Yes	AC Type	Dual Zone Climate Control
Rear Defogger	Yes	Power Windows	Yes

+ 11 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ [See 2.0T Double Cab LT full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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## 08 Gwm Cannon — 2.0T Double Cab LX 4x4

ZAR 634,900

ENGINE <b>1996</b> cc	POWER <b>110</b> kW · 148 bhp	TORQUE <b>480</b> Nm · 354 lb-ft	ECONOMY <b>9.8</b> km/l	FUEL <b>Diesel</b> Automatic
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## ENGINE &amp; PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.0L GW4D20 Turbocharged Diesel	Engine Type	Inline 4 Cylinder Turbocharged Diesel
Engine Type Config	Inline 4 Cylinder (I4) DOHC 16-Valve Turbocharged	Engine Code	GW4D20
Cylinder Layout	Inline 4 (I4)	Cylinders	4
Valves per Cylinder	16	Displacement	1996 cc
Engine Aspiration	Turbocharged	Turbocharger	Yes
Compression Ratio	16.5:1	Cylinder Bore	84 mm

## TRANSMISSION &amp; DRIVETRAIN

Drivetrain Layout	Front Engine Rear Wheel Drive	Transmission	Automatic
Transmission Type	Automatic	Transmission	8-Speed Automatic
Number of Gears	8	Drive Type	4WD
Drivetrain	4x4 AWD	Differential Lock	Yes
Paddle Shifters	No	Transfer Case	Yes
Steering Turns Lock to Lock	16.5:1	LSD Available	No

## DIMENSIONS

Number of Doors	4	Seats	5
Seating Capacity	5	Length	5380 mm
Width	1920 mm	Height	1835 mm
Wheelbase	3180 mm	Ground Clearance	210 mm
Kerb Weight	2035 kg	Towing Capacity	3500 kg
Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l	Load Bed Length	1505 mm

## MILEAGE &amp; EFFICIENCY

Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l	AdBlue Tank Capacity	No l
Claimed Mileage	9.8 km/l	Emission Standard	Euro 5
Low Fuel Warning	Yes	City Mileage	11.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	9.5 km/l	Average Fuel Consumption	10.5
Real-world Mileage	10.5 km/l	Claimed Fuel Consumption	9.8 l/100km
Fuel Efficiency	Moderate l/100km	Auto Start Stop	No

## SAFETY

ABS	Yes	Electronic Stability Control	Yes
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TCS	Yes	BA	Yes
EBD	Yes	Hill Start Assist	Yes
Central Locking	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Yes
Alarm System	Yes	Driver Airbag	Yes
Passenger Airbag	Yes	Side Airbags	Yes

## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Payload Capacity	930	Valves Per Cylinder	4
Intercooler	Yes	Fuel Consumption Combined	9.8
Hill Start Assist	Yes	Spare Wheel	Yes
Engine Warranty	5 Years / 100,000 km	Service Plan	5 Years / 75,000 km
Multi Function Steering	Yes	AC Type	Dual Zone Climate Control
Rear Defogger	Yes	Power Windows	Yes

+ 11 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ [See 2.0T Double Cab LX 4x4 full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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→ 2.0T Xtra Cab Manual — ZAR 484,900

→ 2.0T Double Cab LS — ZAR 524,900

→ 2.0T Double Cab LT — ZAR 569,900

→ 2.0T Double Cab LX 4x4 — ZAR 634,900

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