



GWM

# P500

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<b>2000 cc</b> ENGINE	<b>255 kW</b> POWER	<b>224 mm mm</b> CLEARANCE	<b>9.8 L/100</b> FUEL ECON	<b>5 seats</b> SEATING
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**ZAR 799,900 – 999,900**  
Ex-Showroom Starting Price

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## 01 Overview & Quick Facts

The GWM P500 sits in the South African market as a larger premium GWM bakkie. It is not a car to understand only by its badge; it makes more sense when viewed through the job it is expected to do. For many shoppers that job is carrying work gear, towing, rural use and weekend family jobs. Brings a comfort-led alternative to the established lifestyle bakkies, so the strongest buying case comes from matching the body style, fuel type and grade to the week the vehicle will actually live through. In the current South African range the P500 as a pickup with diesel/hybrid power. That combination gives the buyer a useful starting point. A bakkie buyer will think about payload, towing and surface durability. An SUV buyer will care about seating comfort, visibility and long-trip luggage space. A van or bus buyer will look harder at door openings, uptime and passenger or cargo layout. The same model badge can therefore mean different things to a private owner, a fleet manager and a small-business operator. Buyers should check the latest South African...



<b>Body Style</b>	Pickup
<b>Generation</b>	Current South African P500 listing; generation notes should be kept tied to the local model year and confirmed derivative data.
<b>Fuel Types</b>	Diesel/Hybrid
<b>Colours</b>	Colour availability changes by model year, production batch and dealer stock; check the current colour selector before ordering.
<b>OEM Website</b>	<a href="https://www.gwm.co.za/models/p-500">https://www.gwm.co.za/models/p-500</a>

## 02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Starting From	<b>ZAR 799,900 – 999,900</b>	3 Variants Available
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
2.4T Luxury 4x4 9AT	Diesel	Automatic	Mid	<b>ZAR 799,900</b>
2.4T Super Luxury 4x4 9AT	Diesel	Automatic	Top	<b>ZAR 889,900</b>
2.0T HEV Ultra Luxury 4x4 9HAT	Hybrid	Automatic	Flagship	<b>ZAR 999,900</b>

### Estimated On-Road Price — 2.4T Luxury 4x4 9AT (Base Variant)

<b>Johannesburg</b>	<b>ZAR 820,498</b>
<b>Cape Town</b>	<b>ZAR 824,198</b>
<b>Durban</b>	<b>ZAR 817,799</b>
<b>Pretoria</b>	<b>ZAR 819,148</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>✓ Clear bakkie role for carrying work gear, towing, rural use and weekend family jobs.</li> <li>✓ Useful body style for South African ownership conditions.</li> <li>✓ Derivative choice can be matched to budget and use.</li> <li>✓ Straightforward comparison when fuel type and gearbox are checked carefully.</li> <li>✓ Good fit for shoppers who prioritise practical ownership over image.</li> <li>✓ Can support clean model pages when prices and specs stay current.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Final equipment can vary by derivative and model year.</li> <li>✗ Colour and accessory availability may differ by dealer stock.</li> <li>✗ Some buyers may need a more specialised grade for towing, payload or rough-road use.</li> <li>✗ Full confidence still depends on the latest local price list and specification sheet.</li> <li>✗ Running costs depend heavily on route, load and driving style.</li> </ul>

## Expert Verdict

*"P500 is strongest when its body style and derivative match the buyer's real work."*

The GWM P500 is a sensible shortlist item when its practical role is clear. It should not be bought only because of badge familiarity or a high equipment count. The better approach is to compare the exact grade, price, drivetrain and ownership terms against the job it must do every week. The fairest verdict on the GWM P500 is therefore use-case driven. It can be a strong South African choice when the buyer chooses the correct derivative for the intended mix of city driving, freeway work, passengers, cargo and rough-road exposure. It becomes less convincing when bought only for styling or badge appeal without checking the practical numbers and ownership costs that will matter after delivery.

<b>City Driving</b>	In city use, the P500 should be judged on loading needs, parking length, rear visibility and how easily it copes with tight streets. A good daily vehicle must be easy to place in traffic, comfortable in heat, and simple to live with when parking, loading people or dealing with short trips. For the P500, city use also means potholes, tight shopping-centre ramps, speed humps, heat-soaked traffic and short trips where fuel use can rise. The most comfortable derivative is the one that combines the right gearbox response, seating position and parking support with tyre sizes that do not punish everyday surfaces.
<b>Highway</b>	On highways, look at overtaking confidence, cabin noise, loaded stability and fuel range. Long South African trips expose weak seats, noisy cabins and engines that work too hard, so cruising comfort and range matter as much as headline equipment. A buyer who drives between provinces or carries family on holiday should also consider noise, seat support, spare-wheel arrangements, overtaking response and how confidently the vehicle holds speed when loaded. Those details often separate two trims that look similar on paper.
<b>Off-Road</b>	For rough-road use, check gravel roads, work sites, farm tracks and muddy access roads. A raised body or tough badge is useful only when the tyres, clearance, drivetrain and load rating support the roads the owner actually drives. Where rougher roads are part of ownership, the buyer should check tyres, underbody clearance, approach to traction control and recovery practicality before relying on the body style. If the route is mainly tar, comfort and running costs should take priority over unused off-road image.

**Best For**

The best buyer for the P500 is someone who has a clear use case: carrying work gear, towing, rural use and weekend family jobs. It suits shoppers who compare practical ownership needs before paying for extra trim or image. For the GWM P500, the best buyer is someone who can match the vehicle to a known routine instead of shopping only by advertised price or exterior style.

## 04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 3 variants of the GWM P500 side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	2.4T Luxury 4x4 9AT	2.4T Super Luxury 4x4 9AT	2.0T HEV Ultra Luxury 4x4 9HAT
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 799,900	ZAR 889,900	ZAR 999,900
Fuel Type	Diesel	Diesel	Hybrid
Transmission	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic
Trim Level	Mid	Top	Flagship
Engine	2400 cc (2.4L)	2400 cc (2.4L)	2000 cc (2.0L)
Max Power	135 kW (181 bhp)	135 kW (181 bhp)	255 kW (342 bhp)
Max Torque	480 Nm (354 lb-ft)	480 Nm (354 lb-ft)	648 Nm (478 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	Four-wheel drive	Four-wheel drive	Four-wheel drive
Fuel Economy	8.6 km/l	8.6 km/l	9.8 km/l
Seating	5	5	5
Boot Space	Not Applicable L	Not Applicable L	Not Applicable L
Ground Clearance	224 mm mm	224 mm mm	224 mm mm
Kerb Weight	Not Applicable kg	Not Applicable kg	Not Applicable kg

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

## 05 GWM P500 — 2.4T Luxury 4x4 9AT

ZAR 799,900

ENGINE <b>2400</b> cc	POWER <b>135</b> kW · 181 bhp	TORQUE <b>480</b> Nm · 354 lb-ft	ECONOMY <b>8.6</b> km/l	FUEL <b>Diesel</b> Automatic
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Mid Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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## ENGINE &amp; PERFORMANCE

AC Charging Time	Not Available	Battery Capacity	Not Available
0–100 km/h	Not Applicable sec	Engine Type Config	2.4-litre turbo diesel
Engine	2.4-litre turbo diesel	Engine Type	2.4-litre turbo diesel
Displacement	2400 cc	Cylinders	Not Applicable
Valves per Cylinder	Not Applicable	Power	135 kW
Power @ RPM	Not Applicable	Torque	480 Nm

## TRANSMISSION &amp; DRIVETRAIN

Differential Lock	Rear differential lock	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
LSD Available	Not Applicable	Drivetrain Layout	4WD / AWD
Drive Type	Four-wheel drive	Transmission Type	Automatic
Clutch Type	Not Applicable	4WD Hi Range	Available
4WD Engagement	Available	Transmission	Automatic
Transmission	Automatic	Drivetrain	Not Applicable

## DIMENSIONS

Ground Clearance	224 mm mm	Wheelbase	3350 mm mm
Width Mm	1991 mm mm	Turning Circle M	Not Applicable
Turning Circle	Not Applicable	Load Bed Length	Not Applicable mm
Front Headroom	Not Applicable mm	Load Bed Width	Not Applicable mm
Tare Mass Kg	Not Applicable kg	Rear Legroom	Not Applicable mm
Seats	5	Cargo Volume	Not Applicable

## MILEAGE &amp; EFFICIENCY

AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Claimed Mileage	8.6 km/l
City Mileage	7.1 km/l	Highway Mileage	10 km/l
Fuel Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Emission Standard	Not Applicable
Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable	Average Fuel Consumption	11.6
Claimed Fuel Consumption	11.6 l/100km	Fuel Efficiency	8.6 l/100km
Real-world Mileage	8.6 km/l	AC Charging Power	Not Applicable

## SAFETY

Airbags	Not Available	ABS	Not Available
Driver Airbag	Not Available	Seatbelt Pretensioners	Not Available
Curtain Airbags	Not Available	Front Parking Sensors	Not Available
Seatbelt Warning All Seats	Not Available	Traction Control	Not Available

Tyre Pressure Monitor	Not Available	Brake Assist	Not Available
Knee Airbag	Not Available	Electronic Stability Control	Not Available

### COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Sunroof	Not Available	Wireless Charging	Not Available
Push Button Start	Not Available	Keyless Entry	Not Available
Power Windows	Not Available	Climate Control	Not Available
Regenerative Braking	Not Available	Difflock	Rear differential lock
Rear Step Bumper	Pickup utility fitment/compatibility	Regenerative Braking Levels	Not Available
Rev Matching	Not Available	Valves Per Cylinder	Not Applicable

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

→ [See 2.4T Luxury 4x4 9AT full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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## 06 GWM P500 — 2.4T Super Luxury 4x4 9AT

ZAR 889,900

ENGINE <b>2400</b> cc	POWER <b>135</b> kW · 181 bhp	TORQUE <b>480</b> Nm · 354 lb-ft	ECONOMY <b>8.6</b> km/l	FUEL <b>Diesel</b> Automatic
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Top Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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## ENGINE &amp; PERFORMANCE

AC Charging Time	Not Available	Battery Capacity	Not Available
0–100 km/h	Not Applicable sec	Engine Type Config	2.4-litre turbo diesel
Engine	2.4-litre turbo diesel	Engine Type	2.4-litre turbo diesel
Displacement	2400 cc	Cylinders	Not Applicable
Valves per Cylinder	Not Applicable	Power	135 kW
Power @ RPM	Not Applicable	Torque	480 Nm

## TRANSMISSION &amp; DRIVETRAIN

Differential Lock	Rear differential lock	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
LSD Available	Not Applicable	Drivetrain Layout	4WD / AWD
Drive Type	Four-wheel drive	Transmission Type	Automatic
Clutch Type	Not Applicable	4WD Hi Range	Available
4WD Engagement	Available	Transmission	Automatic
Transmission	Automatic	Drivetrain	Not Applicable

## DIMENSIONS

Ground Clearance	224 mm mm	Wheelbase	3350 mm mm
Width Mm	1991 mm mm	Turning Circle M	Not Applicable
Turning Circle	Not Applicable	Load Bed Length	Not Applicable mm
Front Headroom	Not Applicable mm	Load Bed Width	Not Applicable mm
Tare Mass Kg	Not Applicable kg	Rear Legroom	Not Applicable mm
Seats	5	Cargo Volume	Not Applicable

## MILEAGE &amp; EFFICIENCY

AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Claimed Mileage	8.6 km/l
City Mileage	7.1 km/l	Highway Mileage	10 km/l
Fuel Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Emission Standard	Not Applicable
Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable	Average Fuel Consumption	11.6
Claimed Fuel Consumption	11.6 l/100km	Fuel Efficiency	8.6 l/100km
Real-world Mileage	8.6 km/l	AC Charging Power	Not Applicable

## SAFETY

Airbags	Not Available	ABS	Not Available
Driver Airbag	Not Available	Seatbelt Pretensioners	Not Available
Curtain Airbags	Not Available	Front Parking Sensors	Not Available
Seatbelt Warning All Seats	Not Available	Traction Control	Not Available

Tyre Pressure Monitor	Not Available	Brake Assist	Not Available
Knee Airbag	Not Available	Electronic Stability Control	Not Available

### COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Sunroof	Not Available	Wireless Charging	Not Available
Push Button Start	Not Available	Keyless Entry	Not Available
Power Windows	Not Available	Climate Control	Not Available
Regenerative Braking	Not Available	Difflock	Rear differential lock
Rear Step Bumper	Pickup utility fitment/compatibility	Regenerative Braking Levels	Not Available
Rev Matching	Not Available	Valves Per Cylinder	Not Applicable

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

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## 07 GWM P500 — 2.0T HEV Ultra Luxury 4x4 9HAT

ZAR 999,900

ENGINE	POWER	TORQUE	ECONOMY	FUEL
<b>2000</b> cc	<b>255</b> kW · 342 bhp	<b>648</b> Nm · 478 lb-ft	<b>9.8</b> km/l	<b>Hybrid</b> Automatic

Flagship Trim · Hybrid · Automatic

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## ENGINE &amp; PERFORMANCE

Piston Stroke	Not Applicable mm	Turbocharger	Not Applicable
Fuel System	Not Applicable	Maximum Torque	648 Nm
Maximum Power	255 kW	Max Torque Nm	648 Nm
Max Power kW	255 kW	Torque @ RPM	Not Applicable
Torque	648 Nm	Engine Torque Nm	648 Nm
Engine Power kW	255 kW	Engine Displacement Cc	2000

## TRANSMISSION &amp; DRIVETRAIN

Transmission Type	Automatic	Axle Layout	Not Applicable
Drivetrain Layout	4WD / AWD	Drivetrain	Not Applicable
Automatic Shift Paddles	Not Applicable	Drive Type	Four-wheel drive
Clutch Type	Not Applicable	Final Drive Ratio	Not Applicable
Number of Gears	9	Gearbox Type	Automatic
Front Differential Lock	Not Applicable	Paddle Shifters	Not Applicable

## DIMENSIONS

Rear Legroom	Not Applicable mm	Seats	5
Doors	4	Boot Volume	Not Applicable l
Width	1991 mm mm	Height	1924 mm mm
Kerb Weight	Not Applicable kg	Gross Vehicle Weight	Not Applicable kg
Seating Capacity	5	Boot Space	Not Applicable l
Towing Capacity	Not Applicable kg	Front Track Width	Not Applicable mm

## MILEAGE &amp; EFFICIENCY

AC Charging Power	Not Applicable	Claimed Mileage	9.8 km/l
City Mileage	8 km/l	Highway Mileage	11.4 km/l
Fuel Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Emission Standard	Not Applicable
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable
Average Fuel Consumption	10.2	Claimed Fuel Consumption	10.2 l/100km
Fuel Efficiency	9.8 l/100km	Real-world Mileage	9.8 km/l

## SAFETY

Seatbelt Warning All Seats	Not Available	Seatbelt Pretensioners	Not Available
Airbags	Not Available	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Not Available
BA	Not Available	Side Airbags	Not Available

Driver Airbag	Not Available	Engine Immobiliser	Not Available
TCS	Not Available	EBD	Not Available
Child Safety Lock	Not Available	Front Parking Sensors	Not Available

## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Payload Capacity	Bakkie payload-rated derivative	Engine Warranty	5
Fuel Consumption Combined	10.2	Gear Shift Type	Automatic
Launch Control	Not Available	Performance Data Logger	Not Available
Rev Matching	Not Available	Seatbelt Reminder	Not Available
Service Plan	5 Years / 75,000 km	Skid Plates	Confirmed 4WD derivative
Stability Control	Not Available	Valves Per Cylinder	Not Applicable

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→ 2.4T Super Luxury 4x4 9AT — ZAR 889,900

→ 2.0T HEV Ultra Luxury 4x4 9HAT — ZAR 999,900

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