



GWM

Steed 6

South Africa • 2026 Official Buyer's Guide

1996 cc

ENGINE

105 kW

POWER

200 mm

CLEARANCE

8.5 L/100

FUEL ECON


5 seats

SEATING

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01 Overview & Quick Facts

The GWM Steed 6 was Great Wall Motors' first serious bakkie product in South Africa, on sale from 2013 to 2023. For a decade, the Steed 6 was the entry point for SA buyers curious about Chinese bakkies — offering basic but legitimate workhorse capability at price points that started below R200,000 and rarely exceeded R400,000 even in flagship trim. The Steed 6 used a 2.0-litre turbocharged diesel producing 105 kW and 315 Nm of torque, paired with either a 5-speed manual or a 6-speed automatic gearbox. Three body styles were offered — Single Cab, Double Cab and Double Cab 4x4 — with the 4x4 variant using a part-time selectable system with low-range transfer case. By segment standards even when launched, the Steed 6 was a basic offering. The interior was functional rather than refined, with hard plastics, manual air-conditioning across most trims, and a basic radio with Bluetooth as the only concession to modernity. Safety equipment was minimal compared to current standards — two airbags, ABS, but no electronic stability control on early variants and no advanced driver-assistance systems....



Body Style	Body-on-frame ladder-chassis basic bakkie. Single Cab and Double Cab body styles. Rear-wheel-drive on workhorse and lifestyle variants; part-time 4WD with low-range on the 4x4 flagship.
Launched	2013
Generation	Single generation in South Africa from 2013 to 2023, derived from Great Wall's mid-2010s bakkie platform. Discontinued in favour of the P Series and Cannon, which use the more modern POER platform.
Fuel Types	Diesel
Colours	Crystal White, Champion White, Atlantic Blue, Mars Red and Lava Black. Colour availability varied through the model life.
OEM Website	https://www.gwm.co.za/steed-6/

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
2.0T Single Cab	Diesel	Manual	Base	On Request
2.0T Double Cab	Diesel	Automatic	Mid	On Request
2.0T Double Cab 4x4	Diesel	Automatic	Top	On Request

03 Pros, Cons & Expert Verdict

● STRENGTHS	● CONSIDERATIONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Most accessible Chinese-bakkie pricing in South Africa during its production run —... ✓ Basic but legitimate body-on-frame ladder-chassis workhorse capability ✓ 2.0-litre turbodiesel engine proved generally reliable over normal mileages ✓ Double Cab 4x4 variant offered genuine part-time 4WD with low-range transfer case ✓ Parts continue to be available through GWM SA dealer network for ongoing ownership ✓ Decent payload capacity and towing capability for the price segment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Basic interior fittings with hard plastics and minimal sound insulation ✗ Safety equipment significantly below current segment expectations ✗ Rust resistance was a recurring 5-year ownership complaint, particularly in coastal... ✗ Manual gearbox on early variants had recurring synchroniser wear issues ✗ Resale values dropped sharply versus Hilux/Ranger equivalents — typically 50% lower at 5...

Expert Verdict

"A basic but legitimate Chinese workhorse that introduced a generation of SA buyers to GWM — now discontinued, remains a reasonable used buy at the right price."

The Steed 6 was an honest entry-level bakkie that served its market well for a decade. It never tried to compete with the Hilux on refinement or the Ranger on equipment — instead it offered the basics at half the price, and for many buyers that was exactly the right product. As a used buy now, the Steed 6 remains a sensible option for budget-constrained buyers who need workhorse capability and aren't bothered by basic interior fittings. Service history verification and corrosion inspection are essential before purchase.

City Driving	Functional in urban duty but compromised by limited safety equipment and basic interior. Manual gearbox on early models was particularly demanding in stop-start traffic. Better suited to the kind of fixed-route local commercial duty (deliveries, fleet work) where its limitations were acceptable trade-offs for the price.
Highway	Highway capability was adequate for the price. Cruising at 120 km/h on the N1 was possible but noisy and unrefined. Fuel economy on highway cruising sat at 10.5–11.5 L/100 km. Long-distance touring exposed the Steed 6's cabin limitations more than urban duty did.
Off-Road	Double Cab 4x4 variant offered legitimate part-time 4WD with low-range transfer case and 200 mm ground clearance — capable of gravel district roads, farm tracks and light off-road work. Approach 28°, departure 25°, wading depth approximately 600 mm. Not suitable for serious technical off-road terrain.
Best For	Budget-conscious bakkie buyers in South Africa during its 2013-2023 production run — tradesmen, small business owners, rural farmers and first-time bakkie owners who needed basic workhorse capability at the most accessible price point in the market.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 3 variants of the Gwm Steed 6 side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	2.0T Single Cab	2.0T Double Cab	2.0T Double Cab 4x4
Price (ex-showroom)	On Request	On Request	On Request
Fuel Type	Diesel	Diesel	Diesel
Transmission	Manual	Automatic	Automatic
Trim Level	Base	Mid	Top
Engine	1996 cc (2.0L)	1996 cc (2.0L)	1996 cc (2.0L)
Max Power	105 kW (141 bhp)	105 kW (141 bhp)	105 kW (141 bhp)
Max Torque	310 Nm (229 lb-ft)	310 Nm (229 lb-ft)	310 Nm (229 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	RWD	RWD	4WD
Fuel Economy	8.5 km/l	8.5 km/l	8.5 km/l
Seating	3	5	5
Boot Space	—	—	—
Ground Clearance	200 mm	200 mm	200 mm
Kerb Weight	1720 kg	1720 kg	1720 kg

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

05 Gwm Steed 6 — 2.0T Single Cab

Price on Request

ENGINE 1996 cc	POWER 105 kW · 141 bhp	TORQUE 310 Nm · 229 lb-ft	ECONOMY 8.5 km/l	FUEL Diesel Manual
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Base Trim · Diesel · Manual

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.0L GW4D20 Turbocharged Diesel	Displacement	1996 cc
Cylinders	4	Engine Aspiration	Turbocharged
Power	105 kW	Torque	310 Nm
Torque @ RPM	1,600-2,600 rpm	Fuel Grade Required	Diesel
0-100 km/h	14.5 sec	Top Speed	160 km/h
Engine Type	Inline 4 Cylinder Turbocharged Diesel	Engine Code	GW4D20B

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	Manual	Transmission	5-Speed Manual
Number of Gears	5	Drive Type	RWD
Drivetrain	4x2 RWD	Transmission Type	Manual 5-Speed
Final Drive Ratio	4.56:1	Steering Turns Lock to Lock	3.8
Clutch Type	Dry Single Disc	LSD Available	Not Available
Differential Lock	Not Available	Transfer Case	Not Applicable

DIMENSIONS

Number of Doors	2	Length	4970 mm
Width	1770 mm	Height	1700 mm
Wheelbase	3030 mm	Ground Clearance	200 mm
Kerb Weight	1720 kg	Towing Capacity	2500 kg
Seating Capacity	3	Seats	3
Gross Vehicle Weight	2050 kg	Front Track Width	1560 mm

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	8.5 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l
City Mileage	6.5 km/l	Highway Mileage	7.8 km/l
Emission Standard	Euro 5	AdBlue Tank Capacity	0 l
Auto Start Stop	Not Available		—

SAFETY

ABS	Yes	Electronic Stability Control	Yes
Airbags	2	Safety Rating	4
Traction Control	Standard	Hill Start Assist	Not Available
Hill Descent Control	Not Available	Child Safety Lock	Standard
ISOFIX Mounts	Not Available	Brake Assist	Standard

Tyre Pressure Monitor	Not Available	Engine Immobiliser	Standard
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COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Payload Capacity	1000	Service Plan	3 Years / 60,000 km
AC Type	Manual Air Conditioning	Power Windows	Manual Windows
Keyless Entry	Not Available	Push Button Start	Not Available
Wireless Charging	Not Available	Electric Tailgate	Not Available
Automatic Headlamps	Not Available	Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available
Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available	Rear Window Defroster	Not Available

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

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

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06 Gwm Steed 6 — 2.0T Double Cab

Price on Request

ENGINE 1996 cc	POWER 105 kW · 141 bhp	TORQUE 310 Nm · 229 lb-ft	ECONOMY 8.5 km/l	FUEL Diesel Automatic
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Mid Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.0L GW4D20 Turbocharged Diesel	Displacement	1996 cc
Cylinders	4	Engine Aspiration	Turbocharged
Power	105 kW	Torque	310 Nm
Torque @ RPM	1,600-2,600 rpm	Fuel Grade Required	Diesel
0-100 km/h	13.8 sec	Top Speed	165 km/h
Engine Type	Inline 4 Cylinder Turbocharged Diesel	Engine Code	GW4D20B

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	Automatic	Transmission	6-Speed Automatic
Number of Gears	6	Drive Type	RWD
Drivetrain	4x2 RWD	Transmission Type	Automatic 6-Speed
Final Drive Ratio	4.56:1	Steering Turns Lock to Lock	3.8
Clutch Type	Torque Converter Automatic	LSD Available	Not Available
Differential Lock	Not Available	Transfer Case	Not Applicable

DIMENSIONS

Number of Doors	4	Length	4970 mm
Width	1770 mm	Height	1700 mm
Wheelbase	3030 mm	Ground Clearance	200 mm
Kerb Weight	1720 kg	Towing Capacity	2500 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Seats	5
Gross Vehicle Weight	2150 kg	Front Track Width	1560 mm

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	8.5 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l
City Mileage	6.2 km/l	Highway Mileage	7.5 km/l
Emission Standard	Euro 5	AdBlue Tank Capacity	0 l
Auto Start Stop	Not Available		—

SAFETY

ABS	Yes	Electronic Stability Control	Yes
Airbags	2	Safety Rating	4
Traction Control	Standard	Hill Start Assist	Yes
Hill Descent Control	Not Available	Child Safety Lock	Standard
ISOFIX Mounts	2 Rear ISOFIX	Brake Assist	Standard

Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Standard
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COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Payload Capacity	1000	Service Plan	3 Years / 60,000 km
AC Type	Manual Air Conditioning	Power Windows	Front Windows Only
Keyless Entry	Not Available	Push Button Start	Not Available
Wireless Charging	Not Available	Electric Tailgate	Not Available
Automatic Headlamps	Not Available	Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available
Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available	Rear Window Defroster	Standard

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07 Gwm Steed 6 — 2.0T Double Cab 4x4

Price on Request

ENGINE 1996 cc	POWER 105 kW · 141 bhp	TORQUE 310 Nm · 229 lb-ft	ECONOMY 8.5 km/l	FUEL Diesel Automatic
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Top Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.0L GW4D20 Turbocharged Diesel	Displacement	1996 cc
Cylinders	4	Engine Aspiration	Turbocharged
Power	105 kW	Torque	310 Nm
Torque @ RPM	1,600-2,600 rpm	Fuel Grade Required	Diesel
0-100 km/h	13.8 sec	Top Speed	165 km/h
Engine Type	Inline 4 Cylinder Turbocharged Diesel	Engine Code	GW4D20B

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	Automatic	Transmission	6-Speed Automatic
Number of Gears	6	Drive Type	4WD
Drivetrain	4x4 AWD	Transmission Type	Automatic 6-Speed
Final Drive Ratio	4.78:1	Steering Turns Lock to Lock	3.8
Clutch Type	Torque Converter Automatic	LSD Available	Yes — Rear
Differential Lock	Yes — Rear Manual Lock	Transfer Case	Yes — 2-Speed 4WD

DIMENSIONS

Number of Doors	4	Length	4970 mm
Width	1770 mm	Height	1700 mm
Wheelbase	3030 mm	Ground Clearance	200 mm
Kerb Weight	1720 kg	Towing Capacity	2500 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Seats	5
Gross Vehicle Weight	2250 kg	Front Track Width	1570 mm

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	8.5 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	75 l
City Mileage	5.8 km/l	Highway Mileage	7.0 km/l
Emission Standard	Euro 5	AdBlue Tank Capacity	0 l
Auto Start Stop	Not Available		—

SAFETY

ABS	Yes	Electronic Stability Control	Yes
Airbags	2	Safety Rating	4
Traction Control	Standard with Off-Road Modes	Hill Start Assist	Yes
Hill Descent Control	Yes	Child Safety Lock	Standard

ISOFIX Mounts	2 Rear ISOFIX	Brake Assist	Standard
Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Payload Capacity	1000	Service Plan	3 Years / 60,000 km
AC Type	Manual Air Conditioning	Power Windows	Front Windows Only
Keyless Entry	Not Available	Push Button Start	Not Available
Wireless Charging	Not Available	Electric Tailgate	Not Available
Automatic Headlamps	Not Available	Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available
Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available	Rear Window Defroster	Standard

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