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L8

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01 Overview & Quick Facts

The LEPAS L8 is the largest vehicle in the brand's announced South African SUV family and is positioned as its plug-in hybrid flagship. It remains a coming-soon model rather than a priced retail product. The official local preview nevertheless supplies useful facts: the body is 4,688 mm long, 1,871 mm wide and 1,689 mm high, with a 2,800 mm wheelbase. LEPAS also states an electric range of 107 km and a combined range of 1,300 km. These figures establish the intended role—a spacious premium-oriented SUV capable of electric commuting and petrol-backed long travel—but they do not yet define the final local derivative. The L8 uses the next-generation LEX platform and is presented with LEPAS's super-hybrid technology. An official LEPAS sustainability article attributes 44.5 percent thermal efficiency and fuel consumption as low as 4.2 L/100 km with the battery depleted to the L8 system. Those are manufacturer claims from the pre-launch information set, not independent test results. South African buyers still need the homologated local cycle, usable battery capacity, motor and engine outputs, charging rates, connector details and charge-time windows. A...



Body Style	Mid-size plug-in hybrid SUV
Launched	2026
Generation	First-generation LEPAS L8 plug-in hybrid flagship SUV in South African pre-launch phase
Fuel Types	Plug-in Hybrid
Colours	The official preview illustrates teal, purple, grey, silver, white and black; final South African availability remains to be confirmed.
OEM Website	https://www.lepas-sa.co.za/models/lepas-l8

02 Variant Pricing & Lifecycle

Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
Promotional Preview	Plug-In Hybrid	Not Published	Preview	On Request

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS ✓ 107 km stated electric range ✓ 1,300 km stated combined range ✓ Long 2,800 mm wheelbase ✓ 13.2-inch infotainment display ✓ 540-degree HD surround-view camera ✓ Eight-speaker audio system	● CONSIDERATIONS ✗ Final South African price is unpublished ✗ No local derivative names yet ✗ Engine and motor outputs remain unpublished locally ✗ Usable battery capacity is not stated ✗ Local charging power and times are unpublished ✗ Battery warranty terms are not yet published
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Buyer Summary

"An intriguing long-range plug-in hybrid preview that needs final South African pricing, charging data and derivative specifications before purchase ranking."

The L8 has a coherent purpose: provide useful electric commuting range in a larger SUV while preserving long petrol-backed touring ability. Its dimensions, 107 km electric claim, 1,300 km combined claim and cabin technology create more substance than a simple design teaser. The unanswered questions are commercially decisive. Price, charging speed, battery warranty, luggage capacity and exact local outputs will determine whether the concept translates into strong ownership value. Buyers with dependable charging may reasonably follow its launch closely, but placing it above established plug-in hybrids today would be premature.

City Driving	A stated 107 km electric range could cover many urban routines when the battery begins charged, potentially allowing weekday travel with little petrol use. The surround-view camera should help place a 4,688 mm vehicle in tight spaces, while the 13.2-inch interface and wireless charging address daily convenience. Urban suitability still depends on turning circle, kerb mass, charge access and actual efficiency. Buyers should also measure their garage and confirm whether the charging cable can reach safely without crossing a public walkway.
Highway	The 1,300 km combined-range claim describes the L8's long-distance ambition. Petrol support removes the need to plan every inter-city stop around a charger, while the electric system may assist efficiency and response. A reliable touring judgement still requires final tank capacity, depleted-battery consumption, combined output, high-speed driver-assistance specification, tyre size and luggage volume. Owners should expect electric range to fall at sustained motorway speed and should compare trip cost using both petrol and electricity rather than quoting the electric figure alone.
Off-Road	The L8 has an SUV body and has appeared in controlled demonstrations, but the current South African product page does not publish a local off-road derivative, drive layout, ground clearance, wading depth or recovery hardware. The underbody view from the surround camera can improve visibility; it does not prove mechanical trail capability. Until homologated specifications arrive, the prudent assumption is road and maintained-gravel use. Buyers planning sand, mud, rocky routes or towing should wait for exact drivetrain, clearance, tyre and rating data.
Best For	The L8 is intended for a household seeking a larger premium-oriented plug-in hybrid and able to charge at home or work on most days. Its long stated combined range may attract inter-provincial travellers who want electric commuting without relying solely on public charging. It is not yet a firm choice for buyers with a fixed budget, required boot volume, towing need or delivery deadline because local pricing, derivative packaging and several ownership specifications remain unpublished.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 1 variants of the LEPAS L8 side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	Promotional Preview
Price (ex-showroom)	On Request
Fuel Type	Plug-in Hybrid
Transmission	—
Trim Level	Preview
Engine	—
Max Power	—
Max Torque	—
Drivetrain	—
Fuel Economy	—
Seating	—
Boot Space	—
Ground Clearance	—
Kerb Weight	—

→ [Compare these variants on hagalu.com](#) (retained specifications, lifecycle status and historical or launch pricing)

05 LEPAS L8 — Promotional Preview

Price on Request

FUEL

Plug-in Hybrid

Preview Trim · Plug-In Hybrid · Not Published

View retained specs & lifecycle →

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Fuel Type	Plug-in Hybrid	Hybrid System	Plug-in Hybrid
Electric Range	107 km		—

DIMENSIONS

Length	4688 mm	Width	1871 mm
Height	1689 mm	Wheelbase	2800 mm

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Combined Driving Range	1300 km		—
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COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Wireless Charging	Yes		—
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+ 4 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Driver Assistance, Vehicle Details, Pricing & Ownership) available on the live model page.

→ See Promotional Preview full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa

Compare with rivals →

06 Explore More on Hagalu

Jump to each variant's price and specification record

→ Promotional Preview

Retained Prices & Specifications — LEPAS L8

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