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Fortuner

South Africa • 2026 Official Buyer's Guide

ZAR 685,900 – 999,000

Ex-Showroom Starting Price


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01 Overview & Quick Facts

The Toyota Fortuner has been the default answer to "which SUV?" in South Africa for nearly two decades, and the reason is straightforward: it works. Not flashy, not cutting-edge, but genuinely functional across the full spectrum of real-world South African driving scenarios. It runs on a proper ladder-frame chassis—the exact same engineering platform as the Hilux bakkie—which means it handles what this country throws at it without making excuses. From the potholed roads circling Durban's outskirts to the corrugated farm tracks outside Ladybrand, the Fortuner functions with quiet competence. Toyota's reliability reputation in South Africa isn't marketing chatter; it's earned through thousands of vehicles silently exceeding 250,000 kilometres with their original engines still pulling. This matters more than most buyers realize. When your vehicle is your livelihood or your family's primary transport, reliability becomes theological. The 2.8-litre turbocharged diesel is a masterclass in mechanical straightforwardness. It delivers 150 kilowatts and 450 newton-metres of torque from low in the rev range, translating to effortless towing and highway cruising where the engine settles contentedly at 2,000 rpm while the speedometer reads 120...



Body Style	SUV
Launched	2006
Generation	Currently sold Fortuner belongs to the second generation with periodic feature and safety upgrades
Fuel Types	Diesel
Colours	White,Black,Silver,Dark Green,Grey
OEM Website	https://www.toyota.co.za/vehicles/fortuner

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Starting From	ZAR 685,900 – 999,000	11 Variants Available
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
2.4 GD-6 RB 6MT	Diesel	Manual	Base	ZAR 685,900
2.4 GD-6 RB 6AT	Diesel	Automatic	Base	ZAR 712,900
2.4 GD-6 4X4 6AT	Diesel	Automatic	Mid	ZAR 746,500
2.8 GD-6 RB AT	Diesel	Automatic	Mid	ZAR 799,600
2.8 GD-6 VX RB AT	Diesel	Automatic	Mid	ZAR 834,700
2.8 GD-6 4X4 AT	Diesel	Automatic	Top	ZAR 843,100
2.8 GD-6 6AT 4x2 48V	Diesel	Automatic	Mid	ZAR 834,800
2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x2 48V	Diesel	Automatic	Top	ZAR 879,300
2.8 GD-6 6AT 4x4 48V	Diesel	Automatic	Top	ZAR 918,600
2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x4 48V	Diesel	Automatic	Flagship	ZAR 961,800
2.8 GD-6 4X4 GR-Sport 6AT	Diesel	Automatic	Flagship	ZAR 999,000

Estimated On-Road Price — 2.4 GD-6 RB 6MT (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 705,130
Cape Town	ZAR 708,488
Durban	ZAR 702,659
Pretoria	ZAR 703,894

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

03 Pros, Cons & Expert Verdict

● STRENGTHS

- ✓ Proven reliability is genuinely beyond question.
- ✓ Toyota dealer density in South Africa is genuinely extensive compared to competitors.
- ✓ Fuel economy sits within realistic ranges for segment class.
- ✓ Interior space accommodates family use across most configurations.
- ✓ Resale values develop as market recognizes vehicle positioning.
- ✓ Safety features include modern systems addressing real-world hazard scenarios.

● CONSIDERATIONS

- ✗ Rear legroom, while reasonable, becomes tight for adults over 185 centimetres in height.
- ✗ Interior materials prioritize function over premium perception.
- ✗ Styling appears understated compared to visually aggressive competitors.
- ✗ Technology features may lag premium competitors in sophistication.
- ✗ Ride quality when unladen is genuinely firm.

Expert Verdict

"Strong all-round SUV for SA buyers"

The Fortuner is the practical choice for buyers prioritizing premium experience. It delivers genuine capability without requiring premium pricing or exotic maintenance. Resale values develop as market recognition grows. The used market becomes increasingly active as ownership examples accumulate. For buyers seeking dependable, honest transport, the Fortuner represents genuine value. The fairest verdict on the Toyota Fortuner 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.

City Driving

Urban driving in the Fortuner feels less cumbersome than you'd expect for its size. The turning radius is reasonable for a ladder-frame SUV, visibility is excellent from the commanding driving position, and parking sensors on higher trims help genuinely in tight spaces. In Johannesburg's Sandton traffic or Cape Town's city bowl, the Fortuner doesn't feel oversized—it feels appropriately spacious. The air conditioning in South African summer is properly cold, not apologetic. The interior space means you're comfortable in bumper-to-bumper traffic, unlike the cramped existence of a Corolla driver. School runs, shopping trips in Eastgate or Menlyn, ferrying friends—the Fortuner handles daily city living better than any bakkie and more confidently than a car-based SUV. The infotainment system, while not revolutionary, works without crashing during firmware updates—more than you can say for some German alternatives. Android Auto and Apple CarPlay integration is seamless. The touchscreen is large enough to operate without frustration while driving.

Highway	Highway driving is where the Fortuner genuinely shines and where its engineering philosophy becomes apparent. At 120 km/h cruising on a typical South African national road, the engine sits at approximately 2,000 rpm humming with mechanical efficiency. Road noise is modestly controlled by modern standards. The cabin remains cool. Comfort on a 700-kilometre drive to Cape Town is genuinely excellent—the seats support your back properly, the steering doesn't tire your arms, air conditioning cools the cabin evenly, and the vehicle never feels unstable in cross-winds on the N1 corridor. Real-world fuel consumption on highway runs sits around 7.0 to 7.2 litres per 100 kilometres, which is respectable for a two-tonne vehicle. The automatic transmission is smooth and rarely hunts for gears, delivering that Toyota smoothness that long-distance drivers appreciate after eight hours behind the wheel.
Off-Road	The Fortuner is genuinely off-road capable without being extreme or pretending to be something it's not. Ground clearance at 221mm handles farm gates and low rocks without drama. The ladder-frame construction means proper articulation when one wheel hits a rock and another wheel drops into a pothole—it doesn't flex like unibody SUVs that stress and creak. The approach and departure angles are reasonable. It will traverse basic farm tracks, gravel roads, and rough forest roads without complaint. It won't compete with a Jimny on rock crawling, but it'll get you to remote hiking trailheads and farm destinations where a Corolla Cross would die trying. For families wanting weekend adventure to nearby reserves or estate visits, the Fortuner provides genuine capability without requiring advanced technical driving skill.
Best For	Families, long-distance commuters, off-road enthusiasts, buyers prioritising reliability and resale. For the Toyota Fortuner, 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 11 variants of the Toyota Fortuner side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	2.4 GD-6 RB 6MT	2.4 GD-6 RB 6AT	2.4 GD-6 4X4 6AT	2.8 GD-6 RB AT
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 685,900	ZAR 712,900	ZAR 746,500	ZAR 799,600
Fuel Type	Diesel	Diesel	Diesel	Diesel
Transmission	Manual	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic
Trim Level	Base	Base	Mid	Mid
Engine	—	—	—	—
Max Power	—	—	—	—
Max Torque	—	—	—	—
Drivetrain	—	—	—	—
Fuel Economy	—	—	—	—
Seating	—	—	—	—
Boot Space	—	—	—	—
Ground Clearance	—	—	—	—
Kerb Weight	—	—	—	—

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SPEC	2.8 GD-6 VX RB AT	2.8 GD-6 4X4 AT	2.8 GD-6 6AT 4x2 48V	2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x2 48V
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 834,700	ZAR 843,100	ZAR 834,800	ZAR 879,300
Fuel Type	Diesel	Diesel	Diesel	Diesel
Transmission	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic
Trim Level	Mid	Top	Mid	Top
Engine	—	—	—	—
Max Power	—	—	—	—
Max Torque	—	—	—	—
Drivetrain	—	—	—	—
Fuel Economy	—	—	—	—
Seating	—	—	—	—
Boot Space	—	—	—	—
Ground Clearance	—	—	—	—
Kerb Weight	—	—	—	—

Continued — Variants 9–11

SPEC	2.8 GD-6 6AT 4x4 48V	2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x4 48V	2.8 GD-6 4X4 GR-Sport 6AT
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 918,600	ZAR 961,800	ZAR 999,000
Fuel Type	Diesel	Diesel	Diesel
Transmission	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic
Trim Level	Top	Flagship	Flagship
Engine	—	—	—
Max Power	—	—	—
Max Torque	—	—	—
Drivetrain	—	—	—
Fuel Economy	—	—	—
Seating	—	—	—
Boot Space	—	—	—
Ground Clearance	—	—	—
Kerb Weight	—	—	—

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05 Toyota Fortuner — 2.4 GD-6 RB 6MT

ZAR 685,900

FUEL

Diesel

Manual

Base Trim · Diesel · Manual

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06 Toyota Fortuner — 2.4 GD-6 RB 6AT

ZAR 712,900

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Base Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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07 Toyota Fortuner — 2.4 GD-6 4X4 6AT

ZAR 746,500

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Mid Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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08 Toyota Fortuner — 2.8 GD-6 RB AT

ZAR 799,600

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Mid Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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09 Toyota Fortuner — 2.8 GD-6 VX RB AT

ZAR 834,700

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Mid Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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10 Toyota Fortuner — 2.8 GD-6 4X4 AT

ZAR 843,100

FUEL

Diesel
Automatic

Top Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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11 Toyota Fortuner — 2.8 GD-6 6AT 4x2 48V

ZAR 834,800

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Mid Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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12 Toyota Fortuner — 2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x2 48V

ZAR 879,300

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Top Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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13 Toyota Fortuner — 2.8 GD-6 6AT 4x4 48V

ZAR 918,600

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Top Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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14 Toyota Fortuner — 2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x4 48V

ZAR 961,800

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Flagship Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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→ [See 2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x4 48V full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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15 Toyota Fortuner — 2.8 GD-6 4X4 GR-Sport 6AT

ZAR 999,000

FUEL

Diesel

Automatic

Flagship Trim · Diesel · Automatic

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→ 2.4 GD-6 RB 6AT — ZAR 712,900

→ 2.4 GD-6 4X4 6AT — ZAR 746,500

→ 2.8 GD-6 RB AT — ZAR 799,600

→ 2.8 GD-6 VX RB AT — ZAR 834,700

→ 2.8 GD-6 4X4 AT — ZAR 843,100

→ 2.8 GD-6 6AT 4x2 48V — ZAR 834,800

→ 2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x2 48V — ZAR 879,300

→ 2.8 GD-6 6AT 4x4 48V — ZAR 918,600

→ 2.8 GD-6 VX 6AT 4x4 48V — ZAR 961,800

→ 2.8 GD-6 4X4 GR-Sport 6AT — ZAR 999,000

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