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Yaris

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1496 cc	88 kW	160 mm	15.1 km/l	5 seats
ENGINE	POWER	CLEARANCE	FUEL ECON	SEATING

ZAR 289,900 – 359,900

Last Listed Price Range

https://www.hagalu.com/south-africa/toyota/yaris/

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01 Overview & Quick Facts

Touchscreen infotainment, Apple CarPlay & Android Auto, comfortable seating, digital cluster in top trim. For a buyer searching the Yaris price and specifications in South Africa, the interesting part is the trade-off rather than the feature count. A 6-Speed Manual transmission describes the opportunity; a front-wheel drive drivetrain and a listed ground clearance of 160 describe the conditions around it. The Yaris is not best understood by one headline number. Its appeal comes from the interaction between a power output of 88 kW @ 6000 rpm, a 6-Speed Manual transmission and a 6-Speed Manual transmission. For this South African hatchback, the owner should weigh the. Current generation on Toyota's TNGA-B platform generation against the route, load and cost of the vehicle. The Yaris has a clearer South African buying case when its hatchback shape is connected to the work it must do. A proper look at the Yaris begins with the local specification, then moves to the owner’s week. Here, engine of 1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol sits beside a power output of 88 kW @ 6000 rpm, while a 6-Speed…



Body Style	Hatchback
Launched	2020
Generation	Current generation on Toyota's TNGA-B platform
Fuel Types	Petrol
Colours	White,Black,Silver,Grey,Blue, Red
OEM Website	https://www.toyota.co.za/vehicles/yaris

02 Variant Pricing & Lifecycle

Last Listed Price Range	ZAR 289,900 – 359,900	3 Listed Variants

Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
1.5 Xi Manual	Petrol	Manual	Base	**ZAR 289,900 (last listed)**
1.5 XS CVT	Petrol	CVT	Mid	**ZAR 319,900 (last listed)**
1.5 XR CVT	Petrol	CVT	Top	**ZAR 359,900 (last listed)**

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS

- ✓ Body style: Hatchback
- ✓ Fuel type: Petrol
- ✓ Engine: 1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol
- ✓ Power output: 88 kW @ 6000 rpm
- ✓ Transmission: 6-Speed Manual
- ✓ Gearbox: 6-Speed Manual

● CONSIDERATIONS

- ✗ Exact equipment for Yaris can vary by derivative.
- ✗ Real fuel use for Yaris depends on route, load and weather.
- ✗ The written Yaris quotation should be checked before purchase.
- ✗ Tyre, insurance and service costs need a separate Yaris budget.
- ✗ A short Yaris test drive cannot represent every ownership route.
- ✗ Yaris capability should not be inferred from body styling alone.

Buyer Summary

> *"A used-buying option only when condition, history and remaining support justify the price."*

Market positioning places the Yaris as a practical hatchback for buyers prioritizing practicality and maneuverability. Ownership costs align with realistic expectations. A fair review of Yaris should end with the owner’s route, not a universal verdict. The combination of a listed ground clearance of 160, warranty of 3 and a CVT transmission can be valuable for the right driver. The buying case for Yaris is specific. Engine of 1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol gives it a reason to be considered, while a power output of 88 kW @ 6000 rpm and a 6-Speed Manual transmission set the boundaries for Yaris. It deserves a shortlist when those details solve a repeated South African driving need for Yaris. It is less persuasive when the buyer is paying for unused capacity or assuming that another derivative’s equipment applies here for Yaris. Compare the written price, the nearest grade and one genuine alternative before deciding for Yaris

City Driving	Urban families, professionals, practical hatchback buyers. The urban test for Yaris should resemble the owner’s route: a cold start, queues, kerbs, a narrow turn and a place where people or goods must be loaded. The vehicle’s warranty of 3 is only useful if access and visibility work in practice. City use is where the small decisions accumulate for Yaris. Drive the Yaris through the tightest parking area, a steep ramp, a speed hump and stop-start traffic. Pay attention to the steering, sight lines, low-speed response, seat position and climate control rather than relying on a quiet dealership loop for Yaris. A 6-Speed Manual transmission matters when the cabin or load is full, and a front-wheel drive drivetrain can change the cost of repeated short trips for Yaris
Highway	For highway buyers, the Yaris needs to make sense when passengers, luggage or work equipment are aboard. A CVT Automatic transmission helps frame the vehicle’s intended workload; do not assume that a larger body automatically brings more reserve or comfort. Long-distance comfort depends on details that disappear in a short test drive for Yaris. Run Yaris at legal cruising speed, include a hill and a safe overtake, and see whether the driver can remain relaxed after an hour. The interaction between a 6-Speed Manual transmission, a 6-Speed Manual transmission and a front-wheel drive drivetrain is more informative than maximum speed for Yaris. Owners travelling between provinces should also price replacement tyres, roadside assistance and scheduled service for Yaris

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Off-Road	Ground clearance is only one part of the rough-road answer for Yaris. For Yaris, the sensible check is the exact fwd arrangement, tyre specification, load and protection underneath. Stay cautious where the local data does not state clearance or wading depth for Yaris. A buyer whose routine includes construction tracks or isolated farm roads should compare a vehicle with documented capability rather than infer it from styling for Yaris
Best For	The Yaris represents a genuine evolution in its segment, balancing practical daily usability with longer-term ownership satisfaction. The best buyer for Yaris can describe a recurring reason for choosing its hatchback layout. Then compare a 6-Speed Manual transmission and a front-wheel drive drivetrain with insurance, tyres, maintenance and the monthly finance payment

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04 Variant Comparison Matrix

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

SPEC	1.5 Xi Manual	1.5 XS CVT	1.5 XR CVT
Price (ex-showroom)	**ZAR 289,900 (last listed)**	**ZAR 319,900 (last listed)**	**ZAR 359,900 (last listed)**
Fuel Type	Petrol	Petrol	Petrol
Transmission	6-Speed Manual	CVT	CVT
Trim Level	Base	Mid	Top
Engine	1496 cc (1.5L)	1496 cc (1.5L)	1496 cc (1.5L)
Max Power	88 kW (118 bhp)	88 kW (118 bhp)	88 kW (118 bhp)
Max Torque	145 Nm (107 lb-ft)	145 Nm (107 lb-ft)	145 Nm (107 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	FWD	FWD	FWD
Fuel Economy	15.1 km/l	15.1 km/l	15.1 km/l
Seating	5	5	5
Boot Space	286 L	286 L	286 L
Ground Clearance	160 mm	160 mm	160 mm
Kerb Weight	1110 kg	1110 kg	1110 kg

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

05 Toyota Yaris — 1.5 Xi Manual

ZAR 289,900 (last listed)

ENGINE	POWER	TORQUE	ECONOMY	FUEL
1496 cc	88 kW · 118 bhp	145 Nm · 107 lb-ft	15.1 km/l	Petrol 6-Speed Manual

Base Trim · Petrol · Manual

View retained specs & lifecycle →

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Code	Market-specific engine family
Fuel Type	Petrol	Engine Displacement	1496 cc
Cylinders	3	Cylinder Layout	Inline
Valves	4	Valves per Cylinder	4
Aspiration	Naturally Aspirated	Fuel System	Direct Injection
Compression Ratio	13.0:1	Bore	82.0 mm

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

4WD Selector	Not Applicable	Engine Position	Front Transverse
Gearbox	6-Speed Manual	Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive
LSD Available	Not Applicable	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable	Paddle Shifters	Not Applicable
Transmission Speeds	6	4WD Lo Range	Not Applicable
Final Drive Ratio	Yes	Number of Gears	1

DIMENSIONS

Length	4180 mm	Width	1745 mm
Height	1500 mm	Wheelbase	2550 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	160 mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	125 mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l	Boot/Cargo Space	286 l
Kerb Weight	1110 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	1515 kg
Payload Capacity	405 kg	Towing Capacity	1600 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Emission Standard	Euro 5	Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l
Highway Mileage	17 km/l	City Mileage	11 km/l
Fuel Tank Litres	42	Range Real World Mixed	Not Applicable km
Range Real World Highway	Not Applicable km	Real-world Mileage	12.0 km/l
Claimed Mileage	15.1 km/l	Combined Driving Range	Not Applicable

SAFETY

Knee Airbag	Yes	Airbags	7

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ABS	Standard	Electronic Stability Control	Standard
Traction Control	Standard	Hill Descent Control	Not Available
Hill Start Assist	Standard	Child Safety Lock	Standard
ISOFIX Mounts	Standard	Brake Assist	Standard
Tyre Pressure Monitor	Standard	Engine Immobiliser	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Sunroof	Not Available	Push Button Start	Standard
Keyless Entry	Standard	AC Type	Manual AC
Sound System	6	Engine Start Stop	Standard
Engine Start Stop Button	Standard	Push Button Start	Standard
Unlocking	Standard	Climate Control	Manual AC
Power Windows	All Doors	Spare Wheel	Full Size Steel

+ 13 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, …) available on the live model page.

→ See 1.5 Xi Manual full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa

Compare with rivals →

06 Toyota Yaris — 1.5 XS CVT

ZAR 319,900 (last listed)

ENGINE	POWER	TORQUE	ECONOMY	FUEL
1496 cc	88 kW · 118 bhp	145 Nm · 107 lb-ft	15.1 km/l	Petrol CVT

Mid Trim · Petrol · CVT

View retained specs & lifecycle →

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Code	Market-specific engine family
Fuel Type	Petrol	Engine Displacement	1496 cc
Cylinders	3	Cylinder Layout	Inline
Valves	4	Valves per Cylinder	4
Aspiration	Naturally Aspirated	Fuel System	Direct Injection
Compression Ratio	13.0:1	Bore	82.0 mm

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

4WD Hi Range	Not Applicable	4WD Engagement	Not Applicable
Low Range Ratio	Not Applicable	Gearbox Type	CVT Automatic
Drivetrain	FWD	Gear Shift Type	Yes
Gear Shift Indicator	Yes	Clutch Type	Yes
Transmission Type	CVT Automatic	Number of Gears	1
Final Drive Ratio	Yes	Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive

DIMENSIONS

Length	4180 mm	Width	1745 mm
Height	1500 mm	Wheelbase	2550 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	160 mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	125 mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l	Boot/Cargo Space	286 l
Kerb Weight	1110 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	1515 kg
Payload Capacity	405 kg	Towing Capacity	1600 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Real-world Mileage	12.0 km/l	Claimed Mileage	15.1 km/l
City Mileage	11 km/l	Highway Mileage	17 km/l
Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l	Emission Standard	Euro 5
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable
Fuel Tank Litres	42	Combined Driving Range	Not Applicable
Range Real World Highway	Not Applicable km	Range Real World Mixed	Not Applicable km

SAFETY

Knee Airbag	Yes	Seatbelt Warning All Seats	Yes

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Stability Control	Standard	TCS	Standard
Side Airbags	Yes	Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Yes
Airbags	7	ABS	Standard
Passenger Airbag	Yes	Hill Hold	Yes
Engine Immobiliser	Yes	EBD	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Engine Start Stop Button	Standard	Unlocking	Standard
Wireless Charger	Optional	Automatic Headlamps	Standard
Air Conditioning	Manual AC	Rain Sensing Wipers	Standard
Rim Size	15-inch Alloy Wheels	AC Type	Manual AC
Push Button Start	Standard	Auto Dimming Mirror	Standard
Sound System	6	Climate Control	Manual AC

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→ See 1.5 XS CVT full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa

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07 Toyota Yaris — 1.5 XR CVT

ZAR 359,900 (last listed)

ENGINE	POWER	TORQUE	ECONOMY	FUEL
1496 cc	88 kW · 118 bhp	145 Nm · 107 lb-ft	15.1 km/l	Petrol CVT

Top Trim · Petrol · CVT

View retained specs & lifecycle →

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Code	Market-specific engine family
Fuel Type	Petrol	Engine Displacement	1496 cc
Cylinders	3	Cylinder Layout	Inline
Valves	4	Valves per Cylinder	4
Aspiration	Naturally Aspirated	Fuel System	Direct Injection
Compression Ratio	13.0:1	Bore	82.0 mm

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

4WD Hi Range	Not Applicable	4WD Engagement	Not Applicable
Low Range Ratio	Not Applicable	Gearbox Type	CVT Automatic
Drivetrain	FWD	Gear Shift Type	Yes
Gear Shift Indicator	Yes	Clutch Type	Yes
Transmission Type	CVT Automatic	Number of Gears	1
Final Drive Ratio	Yes	Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive

DIMENSIONS

Length	4180 mm	Width	1745 mm
Height	1500 mm	Wheelbase	2550 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	160 mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	125 mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l	Boot/Cargo Space	286 l
Kerb Weight	1110 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	1515 kg
Payload Capacity	405 kg	Towing Capacity	1600 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Real-world Mileage	12.0 km/l	Claimed Mileage	15.1 km/l
City Mileage	11 km/l	Highway Mileage	17 km/l
Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l	Emission Standard	Euro 5
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable
Fuel Tank Litres	42	Combined Driving Range	Not Applicable
Range Real World Highway	Not Applicable km	Range Real World Mixed	Not Applicable km

SAFETY

Knee Airbag	Yes	Seatbelt Warning All Seats	Yes

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Stability Control	Standard	TCS	Standard
Side Airbags	Yes	Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Yes
Airbags	7	ABS	Standard
Passenger Airbag	Yes	Hill Hold	Yes
Engine Immobiliser	Yes	EBD	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Engine Start Stop Button	Standard	Unlocking	Standard
Wireless Charger	Optional	Automatic Headlamps	Standard
Air Conditioning	Automatic AC	Rain Sensing Wipers	Standard
Rim Size	15-inch Alloy Wheels	AC Type	Automatic AC
Push Button Start	Standard	Auto Dimming Mirror	Standard
Sound System	6	Climate Control	Automatic AC

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→ See 1.5 XR CVT full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa

Compare with rivals →

08 Explore More on Hagalu

Jump to each variant's price and specification record

→ 1.5 Xi Manual — ZAR 289,900 (last listed)

→ 1.5 XS CVT — ZAR 319,900 (last listed)

→ 1.5 XR CVT — ZAR 359,900 (last listed)

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