



PRESS INFORMATION

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THE NEW PEUGEOT 406 COUPE

The Peugeot 406 Coupe is the latest product of the 40-year Peugeot-Pininfarina partnership that has inspired so many historic cars.

Its stunning good looks reflect the classic coupe combination of style, power and state-of-the-art automotive engineering.

Coupes, like cabriolets, are an integral part of the Peugeot history. The link with Pininfarina has produced some of the most sensational automotive creations of recent decades.

But for the first time, Peugeot gave Pininfarina responsibility not only for external and internal styling but also for ensuring that the new car would be engineered and manufactured to the same exacting quality standards as the company's own production plants.

A fully-fledged four-seater with a capacious boot, the Coupe has the same 2.7m wheelbase as the 406 saloon, but derives its own distinct appearance by being 5cm lower, 6.2 cm longer at the front, and 2mm shorter at the rear. This makes it an overall 6cm longer than the saloon.

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Two Engine Choices

The Coupe is available with either the 2 litre 16-valve or 3 litre 24-valve V6 petrol engines. The 2 litre power unit produces a maximum 135bhp at 5,500rpm and maximum torque of 12.7mKg. Top speed is 126mph and acceleration 0-62mph is 11secs. Fuel consumption is 25mpg on the urban cycle, 46.3mpg at a steady 56mph and 36.7mpg at 75mph.

The new V6 ES9 engine, which develops 194bhp at 5,500rpm and maximum torque of 27.5mKg, has a top speed of 144mph and acceleration 0-62mph of 8.2secs. Fuel consumption is 18mpg on the urban cycle, 36mpg out of town, and 26mpg on the mixed cycle.

Both can be equipped with either a five-speed manual transmission or the new electronically-managed automatic four-speed gearbox. To allow maximum performance and response, the Coupe also features variable damping and variable power steering.

Specified to Highest Level

As expected with the flagship 406, the Coupe is specified to the highest level for passenger safety and comfort. Equipment includes:

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- side leather/aluminium gear knob
- chrome-rimmed instrument cluster
- rain-sensitive automatic wash-wipe
- electric seats with driver's side position memory and forward/return function
- high-quality in-car entertainment system with 10-speakers and CD stacker
- electric wing mirrors
- automatic window opening/closing
- chromed rear view mirror
- tilt-slide sunroof
- black dash underside
- grey striping

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