

Ford's electric Explorer gains new tech, more range

- New Explorer Collection limited series offers unique design and enhanced specification, taking inspiration from athletes and sporting equipment
- New Lithium Iron Phosphate (LFP) battery and enhanced electric motor increase range by over 60 km and boost performance for Explorer Standard Range models
- New driver assistance technologies, Pro Power Onboard and updated SYNC Move infotainment system increase comfort, versatility and ease of use

COLOGNE, Germany, March 10, 2026 – Ford today announced an enhanced version of its electric Explorer ¹ SUV, designed to be adventure-ready and equipped to handle both everyday demands and leisure activities.

Explorer Standard Range ² models receive a significant performance boost thanks to a new Lithium Iron Phosphate (LFP) battery and an enhanced electric motor, increasing driving range and delivering more torque for faster acceleration.

The Explorer Collection is a new addition to the range and the latest model in the Ford Collection. Designed to be the ultimate expression of Explorer's active adventure spirit, it draws inspiration from sporting equipment with its unique design, colour, and materials.

Explorer's advanced driver assistance systems ³ have also been expanded, offering greater support to the driver in a variety of scenarios. Pro Power Onboard ⁴ is a new feature that can power activities away from home, with the addition of a socket in the trunk or an adaptor ⁵ that plugs into the charge port that can power devices at up to a combined 2.3 kW from the Explorer's drive battery.

The Explorer's SYNC Move ⁶ infotainment system has also been updated with a new design theme to give greater clarity and ease of use, with expanded views of parking and navigation screens and the ability to group apps into folders to suit your preferences.

"Explorer is a highly capable and versatile all-electric SUV with a spirit of adventure that chimes with our thrill-seeking customers," said Christian Weingaertner, general manager, passenger vehicles, Ford Europe. "Even so, we're always looking for ways to improve our vehicles. With better range, more sophisticated driver assistance systems and Pro Power Onboard – as well as a fresh look with Explorer Collection – we've taken it to a new level of sophistication."

The Explorer Collection: Adventure-inspired design

The Explorer Collection is the latest addition to the Ford Collection – a limited series of special models combining unique design with an enhanced specification. Designed to be the ultimate expression of Explorer’s adventurous spirit, Explorer Collection takes inspiration from athletes and sporting equipment with its exterior and interior features, celebrating thrill seekers and adventure lovers everywhere.

On the outside, Explorer Collection is finished in Cactus Grey paint, not available on any other Explorer, with a new 20-inch alloy wheel design in Satin Black complemented by a black roof, front and rear skid plates, and distinctive door and rear pillar graphics – all combining for a more determined and driven presence.

Inside, Explorer Collection has Black Onyx as the main colour, contrasting with orange on the seat sides, lower soundbar, and seatbelts. An eye-catching black and orange speckle effect is used across the dashboard and centre console, while the seats feature a unique 2D knit insert, reflecting the texture and appearance of high-quality sport clothing and equipment.

Enhanced range and performance

With the new LFP battery, the Explorer Standard Range offers up to 444 km² of driving range on a full charge, an increase of more than 17 per cent, giving drivers more freedom to travel longer distances between charges. The use of LFP batteries also offers the benefit of using fewer high-demand raw materials compared to traditional battery chemistries.

The Explorer Standard Range benefits from an enhanced electric motor, increasing power to 140 kW (190 PS)⁷ and torque to 350 Nm.⁷ This improves responsiveness for the driver and allows Explorer to accelerate from 0-100 km/h in 8.0 seconds.

New technologies to help with every journey

The enhanced Explorer offers an expanded range of advanced driver assistance systems that can help to make a wide variety of journeys more comfortable.

Explorer’s Intelligent Adaptive Cruise Control³ already has the ability to adjust the vehicle’s speed depending on the surroundings such as speed signs, curves in the road ahead, junctions, and roundabouts. The upgraded system now adds Traffic Light Recognition, so it can automatically slow or stop the vehicle if it detects a red or amber light ahead.

New Reversing Assist³ is designed to support drivers in taxing scenarios such as travelling along a narrow lane. It automatically records the vehicle’s path up to a distance of 50 metres and controls the steering during a reversing manoeuvre, meaning drivers only need to operate braking and acceleration while watching the road behind.

New Trained Park Assist³ is another technology that can support the driver during anxiety-inducing parking manoeuvres. By learning previously performed parking actions, the vehicle can offer to take over and can automatically take care of acceleration, braking, and steering to precisely replicate the manoeuvre and park in the desired position. The system can drive up to 50 metres while doing so and can store up to five different parking scenarios.

A further new addition is the Driver State Assist,³ which uses the driver-facing camera and Lane Keep Assist systems to monitor the driver's attention and driving inputs. If no steering input is detected it can tap the brakes to alert the driver.

If the system continues to detect no driver input, it can switch on the hazard warning lights, bring the vehicle to a controlled stop, unlock the doors, and call the emergency services, which could be vital in the event that the driver has suffered a medical emergency.

Explorer models now also come with one-pedal drive as standard, which can make floating through city traffic even more convenient.

Pro Power Onboard to charge your adventures

New Pro Power Onboard gives Explorer owners even more freedom for adventure. First introduced to some of Ford's Pro commercial vehicles, Pro Power Onboard now turns the Explorer into a mobile power source that can power up to 2.3 kW of combined accessories.

One Pro Power Onboard outlet is located in the boot space so precious electricals such as laptops can be charged securely. In addition, an optional adapter can be plugged into the vehicle's charge port to charge electric bikes or other outdoor accessories.

Explorer customers can also choose a new Travel Pack, which includes provision for a dog guard, an insert into the frunk to keep emergency items tidy, and a boot load net to support larger items, further boosting practicality.

SYNC Move Infotainment System Updates

Explorer's SYNC Move connected infotainment system has a 14.6-inch moveable screen with wireless Apple CarPlay⁸ and Android Auto⁸ compatibility as standard, and is now powered by new Android-based software for smoother operation.

The design theme has been refreshed for increased clarity and ease of use, with the ability to add apps to folders or combine them, so the driver can organise the most important apps however they want, just as you would with a smartphone. The layout of the navigation and parking assist screens has also been improved to make it easier to operate at a glance, with the map area, camera portal, and parking sensor displays all made larger.

The new Explorer range, including the Explorer Collection, is available to order from today.

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¹ Up to 602 km based on full charge of Explorer RWD extended range. Estimated range using Worldwide Harmonised Light Vehicle Test Procedure (WLTP).

² Up to 444 km driving range based on full charge of Explorer RWD standard range. Estimated range using Worldwide Harmonised Light Vehicle Test Procedure (WLTP). Figures shown are for comparability purposes and should only be compared with other vehicles tested to the same technical procedures. Actual range varies due to factors such as temperature, driving behaviour, route profile, vehicle maintenance, lithium-ion battery age and condition.

³ Driver-assist features are supplemental and do not replace the driver's attention, judgment and need to control the vehicle. It does not replace safe driving. See Owner's Manual for details and limitations.

⁴ See Owner's Manual for important operating instructions.

⁵ Certain functionalities may necessitate the purchase of additional accessories.

⁶ Don't drive distracted. Use voice operated systems where possible and don't use handheld devices while driving. Some features may be locked out while the vehicle is in gear. Not all SYNC features are compatible with all phones.

⁷ Horsepower and torque are independent attributes and may not be achieved simultaneously.

⁸ Requires phone with active data service and compatible software. SYNC does not control 3rd party products while in use. 3rd Parties are solely responsible for their respective functionality. Android Auto is a trademark of Google LLC. Apple CarPlay is a trademark of Apple Inc., registered in the U.S.

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