

# 2007 Escape Overview

## 2007 Highlights

- New Silver Appearance Package includes silver metallic fascias, bodyside cladding and wheel lip moldings
- Keypad entry is standard on XLT Sport and Limited
- Updated XLT Sport series features monochromatic appearance
- Three new exterior colors
- Available dealer installed anti-theft wheel lock kit

## Overview

In today's fuel conscious environment, the Ford Escape offers customers versatility and strong fuel economy.

For 2007, Escape adds two fresh appearance packages that add a touch of class and pump up the excitement. The XLT appearance package includes painted silver metallic fascias, bodyside cladding and wheel lip moldings, with three new exciting exterior colors. The XLT Sport models get an updated and upscale monochromatic appearance package.

The five-passenger SUV is available in XLS Manual, XLS, XLT, XLT Sport and Limited trims in front-wheel-drive and four-wheel-drive versions. Buyers can choose one of two engine options, a 2.3-liter I-4 and a 3.0-liter V-6. It is produced at Ford's Kansas City Assembly Plant in Claycomo, Mo.



## Design and Equipment

New colors for 2007 include Vista Blue Clearcoat Metallic, Dune Pearl and Tungsten Grey. A new XLT Sport package includes painted body color bodyside cladding, bumpers and wheel lip moldings for a monochromatic appearance. A Silver Appearance Package that includes silver metallic fascias, bodyside cladding and wheel lip moldings is available on XLT models.

Customers can choose from a dozen common equipment configurations in XLS, XLT, XLT Sport and Limited trims. Escape Limited customers can select the Luxury Comfort Package which includes a 320-watt Audiophile stereo with six-disc in-dash CD player, six speakers plus subwoofer, as well as heated front seats, heated side mirrors and the reverse sensing system.

Escape's interior stresses comfort, convenience and roominess. Highlights include a standard flow-through console, floor-mounted shifter, modern gauges, numerous storage spaces and modern seat fabrics. The popular rear liftgate with flip-up glass offers easy access to the generous cargo area. The Cargo Convenience Group available on all models combines a retractable cargo area cover with a rear cargo storage bin for additional utility and security.

## Powertrain and Chassis

The Ford Escape offers two engine options - an economical and smooth Duratec 23 four-cylinder engine or the eager 200-horsepower Duratec 30 V-6.



The 2.3-liter Duratec 23 4-cylinder engine has surprised customers with its combination of power and fuel economy. The engine develops 153 horsepower and 152 pound-feet of torque, while a balance shaft provides exceptional smoothness. The four-cylinder engine is backed by either a 4-speed automatic or 5-speed manual transmission.



Standard on XLT Sport and Limited is the 200 horsepower Duratec 30 V-6 engine.

The available automatic Intelligent 4WD System provides excellent traction and stability with a smooth, fuel-efficient operation, even in slippery conditions. The computer-controlled system operates so seamlessly that its engagement is barely noticeable to most drivers. Escape is also available in a front-wheel-drive configuration.

Known among enthusiasts for its hallmark driving character on pavement, Escape is the only small SUV designed to pass the rigorous Tough Truck testing given to all Ford trucks and SUVs.

### **Safety and Security**

Safety is paramount with Escape. Its body structure has been designed to perform well in offset frontal crashes, while standard safety equipment includes dual front air bags with passenger-seat weight-sensing technology. The Personal Safety System® with occupant classification sensor is standard on all models, and three-point safety belts are standard at all seating positions. A tire pressure monitoring system also is standard on all series.

Anti-lock brakes are standard across the lineup. The available Safety Package combines Ford's exclusive Safety Canopy™ rollover protection system with front side air bags.

### **Major Features and Options**

XLS Manual: 2.3-liter Duratec 23 I-4 engine; five-speed manual transmission; four-wheel ABS; 15-inch steel wheels; grey front and rear fascia and body cladding; power windows; power door locks; remote keyless entry; roof side rails; AM/FM stereo with CD player; low-back cloth front bucket seats; 60/40 split rear seat; air conditioning; center console with two cup holders; dual vanity mirrors; cargo floor hooks; front air bags; LATCH child seat attachments in rear outboard seating positions and SecuriLock passive anti-theft system.

#### **XLS adds: four-speed automatic transmission.**

XLT adds: 16-inch aluminum wheel; fog lamps; roof rack with two horizontal bars; privacy glass; speed controls on steering wheel; AM/FM stereo with six-disc in-dash CD changer; premium cloth seats; power-adjustable driver's seat; floor mats and perimeter alarm.

XLT Sport adds: black step bars; body-color fascias; bodyside cladding and wheel lip moldings; unique cloth seats; keypad entry; 16-inch bright machined aluminum wheels and molded-in-color door handles and liftgate moldings.

Limited adds: monochromatic exterior appearance; automatic headlamps; auto-dimming rearview mirror; message center with compass display; rear 60/40 split seat with tip-fold-flat latch and premium leather.

Options include: Audiophile 6-disc CD changer with MP3 capability; luxury comfort package; safety package; leather comfort group; Class II towing preparation; moonroof and a cargo convenience group with rear cargo area shade and a rear storage bin.

## Milestones

- 2000 Based on a brand -new platform developed in association with Mazda, the Escape makes its public debut at the North American International Auto Show
- 2001 Escape sets an all-time calendar-year SUV sales record with 121,184 units sold during the year
- 2003 The 500,000th Escape is sold
- 2003 Escape is again the best-selling small SUV
- 2004 Escape is redesigned for the 2005 model year
- 2004 Escape Hybrid, the world's first hybrid-electric SUV, goes on sale
- 2004 Escape retains best-seller status
- 2005 Redesigned 2005 model gets two improved engine options: a new Duratec 23 four-cylinder and an improved Duratec 30 V-6