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Model Overview: 2006 Volvo V70

Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price

V70 2.4 : \$29,445

V70 2.5T : \$32,765

Destination : \$695

Following significant updates for 2005, the versatile Volvo V70 receives minor changes for 2006. Among them are new standard 16-inch alloy wheels for both the V70 2.4 and 2.5T. Option package contents have been revised while the color palette has been enhanced with two new hues. Meanwhile, the model line has been consolidated with the discontinuation of the V70 T5. However, performance-minded individuals can still select the hot-blooded V70 R (see separate V70 R Model Overview).

Designed for families and individuals who don't want to sacrifice driving pleasure to get the freedom of high functionality they desire, the V70 embodies all that has made Volvo the world-wide leader in premium wagons and more. The V70 line of vehicles combines unparalleled versatility, longevity, comfort and handling without compromising Volvo's long tradition of quality, advanced safety design and durability.

The safest wagon ever built by Volvo, the V70 benefits from a comprehensive array of safety features. Included are the standard Side Impact Protection System (SIPS) with side airbags and Inflatable Curtain (IC), Whiplash Protection Seating System (WHIPS), seat belts with pyrotechnic pretensioners in all seating positions, dual-stage front airbags (SRS), Volvo's safety cage construction and the ISO-FIX attachment for rearward-facing child safety seats.

Recapping the changes introduced last year, the V70 gained a sleek new look giving the car a stronger appearance and character. A new front fascia received a more distinct nose with rounded contours and clear lens headlamps. On the 2.5T tasteful chrome accents were inlaid into the color-coordinated front bumper just below the headlamps. At the rear, the tail lamps featured a more technically inspired design sporting clear lens covers and visible bulbs.

Volvo's designers focused on making the V70's interior more comfortable and inviting. With natural materials, flexible functions and new trim alternatives, they aimed at reinforcing the feeling of Scandinavian design at its best. Among the changes were a new center tunnel console featuring improved cup holders and direct access radio preset buttons. Next generation Volvo front seats provide the driver and front passenger with increased comfort and more convenient adjustment.

The V70 continues to be powered by Volvo's signature five-cylinder, in-line, double overhead cam transversely mounted engine. Under the hood of the V70 2.4 is a normally aspirated version that puts out 168 horsepower or 165 horses in states with California emissions. Both generate 166 lb.-ft. of torque coupled to the standard 5-speed manual transmission or available 5-speed microprocessor-controlled automatic.

Selecting the V70 2.5T nets the turbocharged, intercooled edition that spins out 208 horsepower and 236 lb.-ft. of torque. This powerplant is mated to a standard 5-speed Geartronic automatic transmission. It enables the driver to shift manually when desired via the Auto-Stick function.

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