The fifth-generation Subaru Forester is the roomiest, most capable Forester model ever, featuring segment-exclusive technology as well as core technology including Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive and a SUBARU BOXER® engine.

Base, Premium, Sport, Limited and Touring trims available

New for 2021

LED headlights (low and high beam) now standard on all models (previously standard only Limited and Touring)

Steering Responsive Headlights standard on all models (previously standard only on Limited and Touring)

High Beam Assist standard on all models (previously standard only on Sport, Limited and Touring)

Limited trim adds 7-speed manual mode for Lineartronic® CVT (continuously variable transmission)

Premium trim and above add new rear center console storage tray

Key Facts

Built on Subaru Global Platform

2.5-liter BOXER engine with direct fuel injection; 182 hp and up to 33 mpg EPA highway fuel economy

Standard Lineartronic® CVT (continuously variable transmission); 7-speed manual mode on Sport, Limited and Touring trims

Subaru Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive: Active Torque Split AWD with electronically managed continuously variable transfer clutch that actively manages the torque split based on acceleration, deceleration and available traction. System continuously powers all four wheels and will transfer torque to the wheels with the best grip.

X-MODE with Hill Descent Control (except base model); dual-mode system standard on Sport, Limited and Touring trims

8.7-in. road clearance with low step-in height

SI-DRIVE Engine Performance Management with “Intelligent” and “Sport” modes (Sport Sharp on Sport model)

Active Torque Vectoring standard on all trims

Auto Start–Stop fuel efficiency improvement technology

Trailer Stability Assist

DriverFocus Distraction Mitigation System helps reduce distracted driving by identifying signs of driver fatigue and distraction (standard on Touring trim)

Auto Vehicle Hold

SUBARU STARLINK™ Connected Services include comprehensive Safety Plus and Safety and Security Plus packages

STARLINK Concierge service offers personal assistance with tasks such as navigation, restaurant reservations and scheduling service appointments.

Cargo capacity: up to 76.1 cu. ft. with 60/40 split rear seatbacks lowered

Electric Power Assisted Steering

Standard power panoramic moonroof on all trim levels except Base

Standard roof rails with tie-down points (except Base)

STARLINK Multimedia systems come standard with Apple CarPlay™ and Android® Auto

Basic Specifications

Body 5-passenger SUV
Wheelbase 105.1 in.
Length 182.1 in.
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Height 68.1 in. (inc. roof rails)
Width 71.5 in.
Base weight 3,453 lb.
Engine DOHC 4-cyl. 2.5-liter BOXER, direct fuel injection
Horsepower 182@5,800 rpm
Torque 176 lb.-ft.@4,400 rpm
Transmission Lineartronic CVT
EPA mpg 26/33/29 (city/hwy/combined)

Key Standard Features
(New features for 2021 in bold)

- EyeSight Driver Assist Technology includes:
  - Adaptive Cruise Control
  - Pre-Collision Braking
  - Pre-Collision Throttle Management
  - Lane Departure and Sway Warning
  - Lead Vehicle Start Alert (Vehicle In Front)
  - Lane Departure Prevention
- Active Torque Vectoring
- Auto Vehicle Hold (AVH)
- Auto-on/off headlights: automatic mode position; headlights auto-on/off linked to windshield wiper operation
- 4-wheel disc brakes with ABS
- 12-volt power outlets in dash, center console and cargo area
- 17-inch steel wheels with 225/60 R17 all-season tires
- 24-hour roadside assistance for original new-car limited warranty period
- Active Grille Shutters in front bumper
- Automatic climate control system
- Automatic power door lock/unlock (collision detection function for automatic unlock feature)
- STARLINK 6.5-inch Multimedia with a 6.5-inch high-resolution touchscreen that includes AM/FM stereo; smartphone integration with Apple CarPlay and Android Auto; Bluetooth® hands-free phone connectivity and audio streaming; HD Radio; single-disc CD player; 4 speakers; SiriusXM® All Access Radio and SiriusXM Travel Link (subscriptions required); and STARLINK apps
- Off-delay operation for multimedia system
- Body-color exterior door handles
- Cargo area light with off-delay
- Cargo area and tie-down hooks
- Carpeted floor mats
- Electronic Parking Brake
- Front seatback pocket (passenger side)
- Headlights/parking lights auto-off with ignition switch
- Height-adjustable driver’s seat
- Illuminated front storage console tray
- Illuminated ignition switch ring
- LED headlights (low and high beams);
  Steering Responsive Headlights and High Beam Assist
- LED license plate lights
- Multi-function display with digital clock, outside temperature and fuel economy displays
- Overhead console with dual LED map lights with off-delay; shower light and sunglasses holder
- Power fuel door lock
- Power exterior mirrors, black, foldable
- Power windows with driver’s one-touch auto-up/auto-down with pinch protection
- Rear Seat Reminder
- Rear window wiper with washer
- Rear vision camera
- Rear seatback with 60/40 split fold down
- Remote keyless entry / security system and engine immobilizer
- Steering wheel audio and Bluetooth control switches
- Sound insulation windshield
- SI-DRIVE Engine Performance Management
- Subaru Advanced Frontal Airbags, front seat side pelvis/torso airbags, side curtain airbags with rollover sensor and driver’s knee airbag
- Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) with pressure display for individual tires and automatic individual wheel I.D. registration
- Trailer Stability Assist
- Tilt and telescoping steering column
- Underguards: front and rear bumper and side
- Vehicle Dynamics Control (VDC)
- Welcome Lighting
- Whiplash reducing front seats
- Windshield wipers with intermittent feature, variable timer and washer

Optional
- Alloy Wheel Package with 17-inch alloy wheels and roof rails
Premium adds over base:

- All-Weather Package with heated front seats, heated exterior mirrors and windshield wiper de-icer
- 10-way power driver’s seat with power lumbar support
- 17-inch alloy wheels with 225/60/R17 all-season tires
- Auto-up/down driver’s and front passenger’s window with pinch protection
- Body-color exterior mirrors, foldable
- Cargo area cover
- Chrome inner door handles
- Dark tint privacy glass
- Dual illuminated visor vanity mirrors
- Fog lights, halogen
- High-grade instrument panel combination meter with color LCD
- Hill Descent Control
- Illuminated glovebox
- Keyless Access with Push-Button Start and PIN Code Access; driver’s and front passenger door and rear gate sensors
- Leather-wrapped steering wheel with silver stitching
- Power windows with off-delay
- Panoramic power moonroof
- Rear center console storage tray
- Rear roof spoiler, body color
- Rear seat HVAC outlets
- Reclining rear seatback
- Roof rails (black finish)
- STARLINK 6.5-inch Multimedia system: 6-speaker system
- STARLINK Safety Plus which includes 3-year free subscription; Safety Plus & Security Plus package and Concierge package are also available (annual subscription required)
- In-vehicle WI-FI hotspot (subscription required)
- Visor vanity mirrors, dual illuminated
- X-MODE with Hill Descent Control (single mode system)

Optional for Premium:

- Blind-Spot Detection with Lane Change Assist and Rear Cross-Traffic Alert
- Power rear gate with automatic close and height memory

Sport adds over Premium:

- 18-inch alloy wheels in black finish with 225/55 R18 all-season tires
- Lineartronic CVT with 7-speed manual shift mode and steering wheel paddle-shift control

Optional for Sport:

- Power rear gate with automatic close and height memory
- STARLINK 8.0-inch Multimedia Plus system with 8-inch high resolution touchscreen includes all features of STARLINK 6.5-inch Multimedia system as well as voice activated controls, Near Field Communications and Bluetooth hands-free text messaging connectivity
- Harman Kardon® premium audio: amp and 9-speaker system
- Reverse Automatic Braking

Limited adds over Premium:

- 18-inch alloy wheels, black with machine finish with 225/55 R18 all-season tires
- Lineartronic CVT with 7-speed manual shift mode and steering wheel paddle-shift control
Automatic LED headlight height adjustment control
- Blind-Spot Detection with Lane Change Assist and Rear Cross-Traffic Alert
- Cargo area tray
- Dash panel with silver stitching
- Dual-zone automatic climate control with voice controls
- Exterior mirrors: body color, foldable, with integrated turn signals
- Fog lights with chrome accent trim
- High Beam Assist
- Keyless Access with Push-Button Start
- Leather-wrapped shifter handle
- Multi-Function display: high grade
- Perforated leather-trimmed upholstery
- Power rear gate with automatic close and height memory
- Stainless steel tailpipe tip
- STARLINK 8.0-inch Multimedia Plus system, includes all features of STARLINK 6.5-inch Multimedia system with the addition of 8-inch high resolution touchscreen, voice activated controls, Near Field Communications and Bluetooth hands-free text messaging connectivity

(Satin) chrome foldable exterior mirrors with integrated turn signals
- Door trim panel armrests: simulated leather with silver/ivory stitching
- Exterior mirrors: Driver has two-position memory synchronized to driver’s seat memory; passenger has automatic tilt-down in reverse
- Heated rear seats
- Heated steering wheel
- LED fog lights w/chrome accent trim
- LED cargo-area and dome lights with off-delay,
- LED rear gate light
- One-touch folding rear seatback
- Perforated leather trimmed upholstery: Black or Saddle Brown
- Reverse Automatic Braking
- Roof rails (black) with tie-down points in silver finish
- Underguards: silver metallic finish on front and rear bumpers; side cladding

Optional for Limited:
- Heated steering wheel
- Reverse Automatic Braking
- STARLINK 8.0” Multimedia Navigation system with all the features of STARLINK 8.0-inch Multimedia Plus with the addition of voice-activated navigation powered by TomTom; SiriusXM Travel (subscription required)
- Harman Kardon® premium audio: amp and 9-speaker system

Touring adds over Limited
- DriverFocus Distraction Mitigation System
- 10-way power driver’s seat w/ 2-position memory (includes power lumbar support)
- 8-way power front passenger seat
- STARLINK 8.0-inch Multimedia Navigation system with Harman Kardon® premium audio
- Center dash panel with seat upholstery design
- Chrome rear badge: TOURING
- Chrome exterior door handles