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The new Mercedes-Benz GLS: The S-Class of SUVs redefines comfort

- More power and exceptional acoustic and vibration comfort thanks to new engine range
- Support in virtually every driving situation with the latest MB.DRIVE generation
- Status-oriented, larger radiator grille with distinctive chrome frame and contour lighting
- Upright star on the bonnet; optionally illuminated (market-specific)
- Supercomputer with AI keeps vehicle software up to date for years to come
- Modern display concept with MBUX Superscreen including passenger display as standard
- Even greater travel and working comfort in the rear with the Rear Comfort Package Plus
- Noticeably enhanced ride comfort through cloud-based damper control with AIRMATIC

Stuttgart. For 140 years, Mercedes-Benz has been synonymous with automotive excellence. The new GLS powerfully continues this tradition: intuitive to operate, prestigious in appearance and first-class in every detail. As the S-Class of SUVs, it embodies a contemporary vision of luxury, comfort and digital intelligence. Its unmistakable “Welcome home.” feeling arises from the moment passengers step inside, the door closes and a space of safety, tranquillity and care becomes tangible.

Thanks to the new range of engines, the new GLS models provide a new, more nimble driving experience. From the very first moment, the models are more agile and offer more pulling power on country roads. For maximum assistance, every GLS is equipped with an impressive array of sensors: ten exterior cameras as well as up to five radar and twelve ultrasonic sensors capture the surroundings with precision. This suite of sensors works together with a powerful control unit running MB.OS, the Mercedes-Benz Operating System. This makes the GLS an intelligent companion. Over-the-air updates keep the vehicle up to date for years to come. The completely redesigned display architecture with the standard MBUX Superscreen lends the interior a modern aura and makes it appear even more fascinating. With cloud-based damper regulation with AIRMATIC, the vehicle automatically adjusts the damping just before encountering a bump. This makes every journey even more comfortable – especially for passengers in the rear.

The now upright Mercedes-Benz star on the bonnet – an established hallmark of the S-Class – gives the new GLS an iconic touch of tradition, prestige and confident performance. In China it illuminates at standstill, and in the USA even while driving, underscoring the exclusivity of the GLS. This impression is powerfully reinforced by the larger radiator grille. With its striking chrome frame and contour lighting, distinctive chrome fins and the shimmering Mercedes-Benz pattern in chrome, the face of the GLS radiates modern luxury and unmistakable presence. The new GLS is thus more than an SUV – it is a statement of contemporary luxury, innovative technology and commanding presence.

In Switzerland, the sales release for the new Mercedes-Benz GLS is planned for the end of May 2026. At that time, the prices and the engine variants available in Switzerland will also be announced.

The new Mercedes-Benz GLS: Powerful, prestigious, intuitive and first-class

Comprehensively updated: For 140 years, Mercedes-Benz stands for automotive excellence. The new GLS powerfully continues this tradition: intuitive to operate, prestigious in appearance, and first-class in every detail. As a confident premium SUV, it embodies modern luxury – and delivers a real ‘Welcome home.’ feeling as soon as the door opens, making occupants feel immediately safe and understood, supported by the intelligence of MB.OS.

More power, greater refinement: The comprehensively revised engine range gives the GLS noticeably greater agility, while preserving exceptional NVH comfort (noise, vibration, harshness).

Outstanding driving comfort and maximum agility: E-ACTIVE BODY CONTROL is one of the most intelligent SUV suspension systems on the market. The control units analyse the driving situation 1,000 times per second, and adapt the suspension accordingly. Over longer artificial speed bumps, the GLS glides effortlessly, as if it’s floating on air. Thanks to the new cloud-based damper regulation with AIRMATIC, the vehicle automatically adjusts the damping just before encountering a bump.

Next-generation assistance:¹ Advanced computing and an extensive sensor suite – ten cameras and up to five radar sensors and 12 ultrasonic sensors ensure the highest level of safety and assistance.

Supercomputer with AI: MB.OS makes the new GLS the most intelligent yet, integrating every function and keeping it continuously up to date through over-the-air updates.

Modern display concept: As standard, the MBUX Superscreen stretches across the cockpit as a single glass surface, creating a harmonious stage for three 12.3-inch displays in a clear, intuitive layout. Ambient styles enhance the unique effect of the MBUX Superscreen with background motifs.

More entertainment and productivity in the rear: With two elegant 11.6-inch displays and an array of smart features, the new MBUX high-end rear entertainment turns every journey into a first-class experience. The latest removable MBUX remote controls² give passengers intuitive, fingertip access to vehicle functions and their personalised entertainment world.

Attentive assistant: The MBUX Virtual Assistant can conduct complex multi-part dialogues, with expressive avatars creating more personal interaction.

On track: Navigation blends Google Maps technology with the much-loved Mercedes-Benz interface and services.

Emblematic badge: Proudly upright and, in selected markets, beautifully illuminated, the newly added standing Mercedes-Benz star on the bonnet lends the GLS a distinctive new face, honouring the S-Class and its enduring legacy of excellence.

Modernised design front and rear: The new front bumper ensures greater visual presence. The headlamps and taillights in star design make the GLS instantly recognisable as a Mercedes-Benz SUV.

Brighter and more efficient: The latest DIGITAL LIGHT generation – fitted as standard on the GLS – produces a high-resolution light field that’s around 40 per cent larger. The light module consumes up to 50 per cent less energy than its predecessor.

Luxury interior: New design elements and comfort features elevate the interior, while the steering wheel adopts the much-loved “rocker-and-roller” control concept.

New interior colours and trim elements: With its warm “Beech Brown” hue, the interior gains a colour that evokes a genuine sense of home and comfort. Three new trim elements offer even more freedom to shape a space that feels uniquely personal.

Seven-seater as standard: With three fully electrically adjustable seat rows, the GLS offers every passenger a remarkable sense of space and comfort. Even in the third row, where occupants up to 1.94 m tall can relax.

Powerful: Future-proof electrified powertrains with trusted reliability

The drive, the chassis, the driver assistance systems

Thanks to the new range of engines, the new GLS models convey a new, more nimble driving experience. Numerous innovations make them more agile from the outset and offer improved pulling power even on country roads. At the same time, the engines are already designed to meet future emissions standards and deliver the brand's hallmark high level of noise and vibration comfort.

In the important partial load range, the top-of-the-range GLS 580 4MATIC V8-powered model is now also noticeably more agile. The V8 responds more quickly to accelerator inputs, operates more efficiently and delivers its performance more smoothly than before. Its rated output has increased from 380 to 395 kW and the maximum torque of 750 Nm (previously 730 Nm) is available across a wide range from 2,500 to 4,500 rpm.

In preparation for future emission standards, the V8 now has a flat-plane crankshaft instead of the previous cross-plane configuration. The ignition sequence alternates between both cylinder banks. Optimisations compared with the previous engine include the injection system, exhaust gas aftertreatment with particulate filter, cylinder head intake and exhaust ports, and the intake camshaft. Mercedes-Benz has also redesigned the impeller and housing of the exhaust gas turbocharger. Two Lanchester balance shafts ensure exceptionally smooth running.

In the GLS 450 4MATIC, the six-cylinder petrol engine is now even more responsive and offers an even more refined driving experience. This is due to the increased torque, especially under partial load. Furthermore, the rated torque has increased to 560 Nm, a plus of 12 percent. These improvements stem from a new, more powerful electric auxiliary compressor, a cylinder head with optimised intake and exhaust ports, and a modified intake camshaft. Further optimisations to the combustion process and exhaust gas aftertreatment complete the upgrades.

For the first time, the two six-cylinder diesel models, the GLS 350d 4MATIC and GLS 450d 4MATIC are equipped with an electrically heated catalyst. This brings the exhaust system up to the optimum temperature range early on and ensures that the temperature remains within the desired range throughout the entire driving cycle. The engine block (crankcase) and cylinder head are made of aluminium. This makes the engine lighter overall than its predecessor, reducing the weight on the front axle, and improving handling. Other technical refinements include NANOSLIDE® cylinder liners, as used by Mercedes-Benz in Formula 1, and high-tech steel pistons with so-called shaker cooling. The reduced friction and improved thermal behaviour result in better overall efficiency.

All engines have an integrated starter generator. The latter provides intelligent support in the low-speed range. When combined with turbocharging, this ensures outstanding power delivery. The system includes a 48-volt electrical system, which enables functions such as coasting, boost, and recuperation, resulting in significant fuel savings. In addition, the engines start very quickly and comfortably with the help of the ISG. As a result, the start-stop function is barely noticeable to the driver, as is the transition from coasting with the engine off to powerful acceleration with engine power. In idle mode, the intelligent interaction between the ISG and the petrol or diesel engine ensures outstanding smoothness.

The NVH characteristics have been optimised through additional insulation measures versus the previous models. The transmission tunnel and engine bulkhead are now lined with a particularly high-quality non-woven material. The engine cover is fitted with a special heavy mat that effectively absorbs high-frequency combustion noises. Plus, acoustic foam is used in some bodyshell cavities to reduce engine, road, and wind noise.

Mercedes-Benz GLS 580 4MATIC³ | energy consumption combined: 13.7-13.1 l/100 km | CO₂ emissions combined: 310-297 g/km | CO₂ class: G⁴
Mercedes-Benz GLS 450 4MATIC | energy consumption combined: 10.9-9.9 l/100 km | CO₂ emissions combined: 248-225 g/km | CO₂ class: G⁴
Mercedes-Benz GLS 350d 4MATIC | energy consumption combined: 8.5-7.8 l/100 km | CO₂ emissions combined: 223-205 g/km | CO₂ class: G⁴
Mercedes-Benz GLS 450d 4MATIC | energy consumption combined: 8.5-7.8 l/100 km | CO₂ emissions combined: 223-205 g/km | CO₂ class: G⁴

Exceptional ride comfort and maximum agility

With five multi-core processors and more than 20 sensors, E-ACTIVE BODY CONTROL responds predictively to any driving situation and ensures a unique driving experience. The control units analyse the driving situation 1,000 times per second, and adapt the suspension accordingly. E-ACTIVE BODY CONTROL enables a very wide range of handling characteristics. With the help of the driving programmes, customers can choose between the comfort of a luxury saloon and the agility of a sporty SUV. Since this active suspension can individually control the spring and damper forces on each wheel, it counteracts not only roll but also pitch and lift movements. The body no longer dips when braking and accelerating.

The system is based on the fully load bearing, AIRMATIC air suspension system and, therefore, offers all-round control that keeps the vehicle level constant, regardless of the load. At the same time, it allows the vehicle to be raised or lowered as required in order to increase or decrease ground clearance. Various levels can also be selected in special off-road driving programmes.

E-ACTIVE BODY CONTROL operates at 48 volts and can even recuperate electrical energy on poor roads, making the system particularly efficient. The 48-volt motor-pump units on all four wheels are coordinated by a central control unit.

The AIRMATIC air suspension delivers a modern, well-balanced driving experience, too. It features firmer, sportier tuning than before, yet still offers a high level of comfort.

Support in almost every driving situation

The new GLS models are equipped with a new, water-cooled processor. It has extensive power reserves for future driving assistance functions⁵. To provide optimum driving assistance, each model is equipped with a variety of sensors: ten exterior cameras, up to five radar sensors and 12 ultrasonic sensors. These sensors work together with a powerful control unit running MB.OS. Artificial intelligence processes the sensor data to assess the traffic situation in the surrounding area.

In Europe, MB.DRIVE Standard is standard equipment with functions such as DISTRONIC distance control. MB.DRIVE ASSIST and MB.DRIVE ASSIST PLUS¹ offer extended assistance functions depending on the market. MB.DRIVE ASSIST PRO – available from market launch in China – enables a seamless and safe, point-to-point driving experience, even in dense city traffic. This will be offered in the USA a little later. Other markets, such as Europe, may receive this feature as soon as regulations allow.

Fitted as standard, MB.DRIVE PARKING ASSIST detects parking spaces on both sides of the vehicle at a particularly early stage. It also detects free spaces that are not marked by white lines. In addition, MB.DRIVE PARKING ASSIST can now assist the driver when leaving a parking space – even if the vehicle was previously parked manually. Furthermore, if the function is activated, the system automatically carries out the parking manoeuvre at speeds of up to 5 km/h. This makes it around 60 per cent faster than the previous system.

The “reversing function” Digital Extra enables the vehicle to automatically retrace part of the route most recently driven forwards, with system support available under certain conditions. While this assistant is active, the image from the reversing camera and a graphic representation of the planned route are displayed on the main screen. This is particularly useful in traffic situations where turning manoeuvres are not possible. The “reversing function” Digital Extra will be available later.

MB.DRIVE PARKING ASSIST 360 offers new and improved surround views with its 360-degree camera and a redesigned human-machine interface. The digital extra “wheel rim protection warning” displays a top-view distance alert when manoeuvring, helping the driver avoid damage to the wheels. The “wheel rim protection warning” will be available shortly after market launch.

Prestigious: The S-Class of SUVs

The exterior and interior design and the new DIGITAL LIGHT generation

For 20 years, Mercedes-Benz has enriched the automotive world with an exceptional full-size SUV. Initially introduced as the GL, this generously proportioned seven-seater has since set benchmarks for space, comfort, technology and poise. An SUV that creates experiences and stands as a symbol of elegance, strength and Mercedes-Benz's distinctive "Welcome home." feeling. As part of a facelift, the second generation received even more luxury, personality and expressive power in 2015. And with the new name, an unmistakable statement was made: in terms of its model designation, the GLS became the S-Class among SUVs. With the new GLS, Mercedes-Benz has now renewed and further reinforced this claim to prestige in many details.

The now upright Mercedes-Benz star on the bonnet stands as a proud and unmistakable symbol of automotive excellence. It also acts as a graceful homage to the S-Class, where this iconic detail has long embodied tradition, prestige, and understated confidence. In select markets the Mercedes-Benz star is even illuminated: in China, it lights up when the vehicle is stationary, while in the USA it also shines while driving, adding a touch of subtle theatre to every encounter. Framed by an illuminated chrome surround, three horizontal chrome fins, one vertical fin, and the shimmering Mercedes-Benz pattern, the larger grille radiates a sense of status and modern luxury. For those who prefer a central star, the AMG Line equipment package offers an equally distinctive expression. Also available is an AMG Line Plus.

The redesigned front bumper lends the GLS an even more confident and expressive presence. A sleek black panel visually unites the headlamps and radiator grille, creating a harmonious, contemporary face. The headlamps and taillights with their signature star design ensure instant recognition day and night, while subtly emphasising the model's refined, status-enhancing character. At the rear, a design trim with an integrated Mercedes star links the tail lamps into one flowing element, highlighting the vehicle's impressive width.

Two new paint finishes – Dark Petrol flat and MANUFAKTUR patagonia red metallic – enrich the colour palette, while two new high-gloss, 21-inch alloy wheel designs – an aerodynamically optimised cross-spoke wheel and a bold, status-oriented disc wheel with a black centre – expand the possibilities for personal expression. The new 22-inch AMG wheel in a multi-spoke design in two colour variants complements the range.

Like the new S-Class, the GLS exemplifies the extensive customisation options of the MANUFAKTUR programme as the SUV flagship of Mercedes-Benz. It offers a wide range of exclusive colours, leather upholstery and trim elements, allowing the vehicle to be configured almost entirely to personal preferences.

Every GLS now comes with a large panoramic roof as standard. With over one square metre of glazing area, it ranks among the largest of its kind in a production SUV, featuring glass panels that span the full width and length of the roof. One section can be raised electrically and slides far over the fixed rear glass panel.

Brighter and more efficient: DIGITAL LIGHT with micro-LED technology

The new GLS comes with the new DIGITAL LIGHT generation with micro-LED technology (pixelated LED) and a powerful chip as standard. The high-resolution lighting field is thus increased by around 40 per cent, enabling increased brightness for the high beam and for road projections. At the same time, the light module consumes up to 50 per cent less energy than its predecessor. The headlamps themselves also contribute to the careful use of resources: they offer the same customer experience but are more than 25 percent less heavy than their predecessors. This is due to the more compact design of the micro-LED and only one control unit. All software components are integrated into the Mercedes-Benz Operating System (MB.OS) and were predominantly developed by Mercedes-Benz.

The dynamic high beam ULTRA RANGE – with a range of up to 600 metres, equivalent to around six football fields – can now swivel for optimal illumination. The partial high beam function enhances the detection of poorly lit road users without dazzling others. Thanks to combined camera information and map data, the cornering light reacts even more precisely to the course of the road. The partial high-beam function is even more robust thanks to further improvements in the detection of poorly lit road users. The partial high-beam function is also available in the USA.

New interior colour and trim elements, beloved steering wheel controls

New trim elements and additional comfort features significantly enhance the interior of the GLS. The air vents are now round instead of rectangular and provide visual anchors either side of the imposing MBUX Superscreen. Atmospheric ambient styles are available as background motifs in a separate app, enhancing the unique effect of the MBUX Superscreen. The UI designers at Mercedes-Benz created these high-resolution welcome animations with great attention to detail. The striking background images offer a wide choice from calm to intense, from cold to warm and from technical to emotional. This allows users to create a personal atmosphere in the vehicle. The colour scheme of the instrument cluster, including the dials and ambient lighting, is coordinated with these emotional motifs.

Standard comfort seats with new 3D seat graphics and moccasin stitching combine modern aesthetics with a comfortable seating experience. Electric adjustment of the seat cushion depth is now included as standard.

The warm “Beech Brown” colour, combined with black, is new to the portfolio. It expands the selection of classic interior colours such as Black, Macchiato Beige, and Bahía Brown. The new colour combination is available in ARTICO and Lugano leather. Three new trim elements expand the possibilities for configuring the Mercedes-Benz GLS to suit individual preferences, including trim elements in dark brown open-pore birch wood and brown open-pore walnut. As a counterpoint, Mercedes-Benz also offers trim elements with the new light-coloured aluminium flowing lines.

If the seat occupancy detection identifies that no front passenger is present, the passenger screen displays the Mercedes-Benz pattern (stars) or a decorative image. Customers can also generate a personalised decorative image via the Mercedes-Benz app.

When it comes to the steering wheel, Mercedes-Benz has adopted the much-loved “rocker-and-roller” control concept. The galvanised-metal roller design enhances the tactile, analogue user experience.

Intuitive: Seamless digital experience thanks to the power of AI

MB.OS and MBUX

MB.OS, the Mercedes-Benz Operating System, transforms the GLS into an intelligent companion that thinks, learns, and evolves with its driver. MB.OS integrates and controls every aspect of the vehicle. This supercomputer uses AI and powerful chips and is connected to the Mercedes-Benz Intelligent Cloud. This allows for over-the-air updates enabling the GLS to remain up to date and attractive for many years.

This means that the vehicle can be conveniently customised even after purchase, offering a level of flexibility that truly sets it apart. The ever-expanding Digital Extras portfolio is available with attractive offers in the Mercedes-Benz Store and the MB.APP. From innovative navigation features to remote functions, GUARD 360°, on-demand functions, entertainment, productivity tools, driver assistance systems, and tailored customer services, the portfolio continues to grow to match customer needs. Together with the attractive entertainment package featuring functions such as audio and video streaming, gaming, and productivity apps, this unlocks a truly next-level driving experience for customers.

The new MBUX generation integrates artificial intelligence (AI) from Microsoft, among others. As a result, customers experience an even more intelligent and personalised digital companion. The MBUX Virtual Assistant⁶ taps into the collective knowledge of the internet, enabling it to engage in complex, multi-part dialogues.

MBUX Superscreen and passenger display as standard

The standard MBUX Superscreen brings the digital world into the GLS. Three 12.3 inch (31.2-centimetre) displays are located under a large glass surface. The MBUX Zero Layer displays the most important information and recommendations in the configurable footer bar. Users can also arrange their apps as they wish and group them in self-named folders, making access a highly personal experience. More than 40 apps are currently available, covering audio, video, gaming and a range of other services.

For anyone who appreciates a spatial display, the 3D driver display is available as an option. At the touch of a button, it switches into 3D mode. Yet high-tech delivering genuine customer benefits extends beyond the driver's seat: For front passengers in Europe and many other countries, their standard display enables them to view dynamic content while the vehicle is in motion. TV or video streaming is available from Disney+, YouTube and RIDEVU (in selected markets) and more local providers. A camera-based system monitors whether the driver is still looking ahead at the road. If there is a risk of distraction, the image on the passenger display is automatically dimmed. Front passengers can operate the content via the touchscreen and, in the case of content with sound, listen to the audio signals via Bluetooth headphones or the cabin sound system.

Full HD screens for the rear: MBUX high-end fond entertainment

The new MBUX high-end fond entertainment system turns the rear of the GLS into a space that adapts effortlessly to every need – from relaxed entertainment to focused productivity. No matter which seat configuration is chosen, passengers can enjoy audio and video streaming on two brilliant 11.6-inch (29.5 cm), full HD displays, while integrated full HD cameras open the door to seamless in-car office functions. Content can be accessed intuitively via the touchscreens or with the optional, individually configurable and removable MBUX remote controls. These remotes also give passengers direct access to comfort features such as air-conditioning, window blinds, and the settings for the Rear Comfort Package Plus. Sound can be enjoyed through the vehicle's speakers or via Bluetooth or wired headphones, creating a personal audio experience for every passenger.

MBUX Virtual Assistant with a choice of appearances

As a “living” avatar, the MBUX Virtual Assistant is always present on the central display. In the standard setting, it is blue, or silver blue in AMG Line models. The virtual assistant also uses various animations to signal whether it is currently speaking, listening or processing information. Movement, brightness, intensity, and colour interact seamlessly to communicate intuitively with the driver.

In addition to the star avatar, there are two other representations of intelligence: a human-like avatar emerges from a densifying cloud of stars. It embodies intelligence in a technological, futuristic way. With its expressive face, the third avatar creates an even stronger personal connection. Its lively form invites playful interaction.

Navigation with familiar user interface, MBUX Augmented Reality for Navigation available

In the new GLS, the navigation experience is based on Google Maps. The unique guidance system offers Mercedes-Benz customers the best of both worlds: Google Maps technology and the highly regarded user interface and proven services of Mercedes-Benz.

MBUX Augmented Reality for navigation overlays graphic navigation and traffic information onto live images, which is particularly helpful in complex turning situations (e.g. in cities or on confusing motorway exits). Three-dimensional animated arrows show the driver the correct exit. A camera captures the area in front of the vehicle. Virtual objects and information are superimposed on this video on the central display.

Intuitive visual support is also provided by the MBUX Augmented Navigation Head Up Display. Available in the GLS for the first time, the system projects key navigation information such as arrows, lane guidance and points of interest seemingly directly onto the road ahead.

A particularly convenient feature is the ability to lock, unlock, and start the GLS using the digital vehicle key. All the driver needs to do is carry his mobile phone with them. In the latest generation of this access system, and depending on market availability, the vehicle automatically locks or unlocks when the user with the vehicle key approaches or moves away. This feature can also be deactivated via the head unit if desired. The digital vehicle key works with most iPhones and Android phones.⁷

A digital customer experience: in-car payment and video conferencing

With In-Car Payment, paying on the go becomes a seamless experience. Digital extras such as the entertainment package⁸ or e-vignettes⁹ can be activated and paid for directly through the Mercedes-Benz Store. This allows customers to continue their journey with ease, while the vehicle takes care of the rest. No separate PIN entry or mobile device authentication is needed, as the native In-Car Payment function, Mercedes pay+, enables biometric two-factor authentication for in-vehicle payments. The system uses the new multipurpose interior camera for identification. Customers' payment data is encrypted and protected by transaction-specific cryptograms. Mercedes pay+ is provided by the in-house payment solution Mercedes pay, which enables convenient and secure digital payments for the entire Mercedes-Benz ecosystem.

Whether on the way to an important appointment or between meetings, the GLS transforms into a mobile office, ensuring efficiency without compromise. A variety of video conferencing apps are available via the in-car app store. These include a new version of the “Meetings for Teams” app, which takes productivity in the car to a whole new level. It allows drivers to use the car's camera while driving, so that other participants can see them during a meeting. As Mercedes-Benz places a strong emphasis on safety, the use of the camera complies with the laws of the respective country and has been approved for use while driving. To minimise distraction and maximise safety while driving, the meeting video automatically switches off as soon as the camera is activated. This means that drivers cannot see shared screens or slides – and the camera can be switched off at any time.

First-class: Where every seat is the best seat

The interior and comfort features

The GLS is the largest and most luxurious SUV from Mercedes-Benz, offering more of everything: more space, more comfort and more luxury. Its commanding presence stems from its majestic proportions: 5,207 millimetres in length and 1,956 millimetres in width, radiating pure strength and elegance. Its generous dimensions create an interior that feels open and inviting, with space for up to seven passengers to travel in first-class comfort. The long wheelbase of 3,135 millimetres – 60 millimetres more than the GLE – provides an exceptional sense of spaciousness, particularly for the second row. All three seat rows are fully electrically adjustable, and even the third row provides two full-size seats that comfortably accommodate people up to 1.94 metres tall.

Access to the third row is made wonderfully simple thanks to the electric Easy Entry function. And when more room for luggage or equipment is needed, the third-row seats lower seamlessly into the floor at the touch of a button. The second row folds flat – unlocking up to 2,400 litres of versatile load space. Passengers in the third row enjoy thoughtful details such as seat heating and their own USB charging ports. With the optional five-zone air-conditioning, they even benefit from a dedicated climate zone with roof-mounted air vents, ensuring personalised comfort for everyone on board.

First-class travel in the second and third rows, too

With the Rear Comfort Package Plus, the GLS transforms the rear cabin into both a comprehensively equipped mobile office and a serene place of relaxation. Multi-contour seats with the Pro massage function, removable MBUX remote controls, THERMOTRONIC automatic climate control, and electric sun blinds in both doors create an environment that adapts effortlessly to every need. Additional comforts such as seat heating for the third row, sidebags, comfort head restraints, wireless charging for mobile devices, and adaptive lighting further enhance the sense of wellbeing.

The multi-contour seats ensure that passengers in the rear enjoy the same level of comfort as those in the front. Generous adjustment options allow for a perfectly tailored seating position with secure lateral support. Gradually adjustable seat temperatures and soothing massage programmes turn every journey into a moment of pure pleasure.

The new removable MBUX remote controls replace the previous tablets and position all vehicle and entertainment functions directly in the hands of rear passengers. The Rear Comfort Package Plus also adds refined details such as leather grab handles, an extended comfort centre armrest with an illuminated storage compartment, and a centre console with two cupholders. For even greater freedom, the rear passenger on the front-passenger side can electrically move the front seat forward at the touch of a button – creating noticeably more legroom and an exceptionally relaxed, spacious seating experience.

New massage functions and improved seat climate control

A new vibration function in the front seats deepens the invigorating or relaxing massage programmes, creating a sensation that feels almost like a personal spa treatment on the move. Four precisely placed vibration motors in the seat cushion deliver an exceptional deep-tissue effect that melts away tension. And for those who choose the Rear Comfort Package Plus, this soothing experience extends to the second seat row as well – ensuring that every passenger can unwind in their own way.

With its wide selection of ENERGIZING COMFORT programmes and personalised recommendations from the ENERGIZING COACH, the GLS offers a holistic wellness experience tailored to each moment. Passengers can

choose from five distinct programmes – Energy, Good Vibes, Relax, Fresh Breeze, and Warm & Cosy – each designed to enhance wellbeing, uplift the mood or create a calming atmosphere.

The optional seat climate control adds another layer of comfort by gently ventilating the front seats. It refreshes, regulates moisture, and maintains a pleasant seating climate even on longer journeys. To increase airflow and improve efficiency, the system now uses radial instead of axial fans in the cushions and backrests – delivering a noticeably more refined and consistent cooling experience.

Clean air with the new electric cabin air filter

Whether stuck in heavy city traffic or driving through a tunnel, the new GLS continuously works to purify the air you breathe – completely renewing the interior air approximately every 90 seconds for all occupants. At the heart of the system is an advanced, multi-stage filtration concept with an electric filter, ensuring exceptionally clean air and further reducing unpleasant odours. The incoming outside air is effectively cleaned of harmful and unpleasant components using this multi-stage concept. In the first stage, the outside air passes through a pre-filter that traps larger particles from the airflow. Next, an electric filter ionises fine dust particles, enabling excellent filtration at the interior filter. While the pre-filter only cleans the outside air in the first filtration stage, the interior filter is also active in recirculation mode.

ENERGIZING AIR CONTROL intelligently monitors air quality inside and outside the vehicle using fine dust and air quality sensors. Through the intelligent networking of sensor data, the system detects nitrogen oxides (NOx), carbon monoxide (CO), and fine dust particles of size PM2.5 in the outside air. PM2.5 particles have a diameter of 2.5 micrometres or less. They are so small that they can only be seen under an electron microscope. When the air quality and fine dust sensor readings reach a certain level, the climate control system automatically switches between fresh air and recirculation mode.

Noticeably more driving comfort, especially in the rear

The new cloud-based damper regulation with AIRMATIC delivers a gliding ride, with intelligent damping control providing noticeably greater comfort over longer artificial speed bumps. Such bumps are particularly common in southern Europe. This new smooth, luxurious experience is the result of cutting-edge suspension technology and the unique community of Mercedes-Benz drivers who support each other. Once the intelligent damper control function is activated, the damping is electronically adjusted shortly before the respective speed bumps to ensure greater comfort. This increase in comfort is particularly noticeable in the rear. Mercedes-Benz developed the function itself and has applied for a patent.

The basis for the damping adjustment is “Car-to-X” information¹⁰. This safety system enables a Mercedes-Benz vehicle travelling ahead to transmit hazard data anonymously to the Mercedes-Benz Cloud in real time via the mobile network. “Car-to-X” refers to communication between vehicles. Because the sensors of other cars are also used, the technology significantly extends the coverage area of the vehicle’s own sensors, such as radar or camera systems. “Car-to-X” technology thus enables the car to “see” around corners, so to speak.

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¹ The driver assistance and safety systems are aids and do not relieve the driver of their responsibility. The information in the operating instructions and the system limitations described therein must be observed.

² Available in the Rear Comfort Package Plus.

³ Available a few months after market launch.

⁴ The information is provisional and based on forecasts. No confirmed values from an officially recognised testing organisation, EC type approval or certificate of conformity with official values are available at this time. Deviations between the information provided and the official values are possible.

⁵ The driver remains responsible for monitoring the parking manoeuvre and the surroundings at all times.

⁶ Available in selected languages.

⁷ Use of Digital Extras requires permanent acceptance of the Terms of Use for Digital Extras and the Mercedes me ID Terms of Use in their currently valid version, permanent linking of the vehicle to the Mercedes me user account and, where applicable, activation of Digital Extras. In addition, the vehicle must be linked to the corresponding user account. Information on the processing of personal data when using Digital Extras can be found in the Mercedes me connect privacy policy. Please note the markets, vehicles and compatible devices listed here that support Digital Extras.

⁸ The availability of equipment, functions, features and services depends on the respective vehicle model, individual configuration and the respective market.

⁹ Customers with a Mercedes me ID can purchase e-vignettes for Switzerland, Czechia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Bulgaria and Hungary. The availability of equipment, functions, features and services depends on the respective vehicle model, individual configuration and market.

¹⁰ In order to use the "Car-to-X" service, customers must have a Mercedes me connect account. Only then will data be collected in the car and the vehicle-related "Car-to-X" data transmitted to the backend, where it will be anonymised. Mercedes-Benz drivers can easily activate or deactivate the service via their user account in the Mercedes me portal or in the Mercedes me app. There, they can also object to data being passed on.