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New Touareg receives five-star top rating in Euro NCAP

- Rating confirms outstanding safety level of the new Volkswagen SUV
- Strong performance in all of the test programme's categories

Wolfsburg (D) – Top marks for Volkswagen's Touareg: the European consumer protection organisation Euro NCAP has awarded the new luxury class model the maximum possible rating of five stars. In the eyes of the independent crash test experts, the SUV performed excellently in all categories.



The Touareg is amongst Europe's safest cars

The five-star rating received during the demanding testing methods of the "European New Car Assessment Programme" – or in short: Euro NCAP – underlines that the Touareg can be considered a particularly safe choice within its vehicle category. One of the most impressive aspects of the new Touareg is its

comprehensive safety package consisting of an optimised body structure, a belt, seat, and airbag network, and innovative assist systems. The SUV scores very good results in all four individual Euro NCAP categories. In the "Adult occupant safety" category, the vehicle scores 89 percent of the maximum mark. The Touareg also scores 86 percent for "Child occupant safety", 81 percent in the "Safety assist" category and 72 percent in terms of "Vulnerable road users".

Important benchmark for vehicle safety in Europe

Euro NCAP has been a stringent benchmark for the safety level of new vehicles in Europe for the last 20 years. Over the past few years, the test programme's criteria have become increasingly strict and it currently includes elements, such as different collision scenarios (including front-end collisions with an aluminium barrier at 64 km/h and a 40 percent overlap, side impact at 50 km/h into the vehicle's side structure, bollard side impact at 32 km/h) and more stringent demands in terms of standard driver assist systems.

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Touareg continues on SUV range's path to success

Following its launch in spring 2018, the Touareg has become the new flagship of the Volkswagen brand, characterised not just by its safety features, but also by its trailblazing fusion of assist, comfort, lighting and Infotainment systems. Consequently, the Touareg launches with the widest range of assist, driving dynamics and comfort systems that has ever been integrated in a Volkswagen.

This includes technologies such as Night Vision (detects persons and animals in the dark using a thermal imaging camera) Traffic Jam and Roadwork Lane Assist (assisted steering and lane departure warning up to 60 km/h, acceleration and braking), Front Cross Traffic Assist (responds to traffic crossing in front of the Touareg), a new roll stabilisation system with electromechanically controlled anti-roll bars, IQ.Light – LED Matrix headlights (interactive dipped beams and main beams controlled by a camera) and a head-up display projected directly onto the windscreen (windshield head-up display).

About the Volkswagen brand: "We make the future real"

The Volkswagen Passenger Cars brand is present in more than 150 markets throughout the world and produces vehicles at over 50 locations in 14 countries. In 2017, Volkswagen delivered 6.23 million vehicles, including bestselling models such as the Golf, Tiguan, Jetta or Passat. Currently, 198,000 people work for Volkswagen across the globe. The brand also has over 7,700 dealerships with 74,000 employees. Volkswagen is forging ahead consistently with the further development of automobile production. E-mobility, smart mobility and the digital transformation of the brand are the key strategic topics for the future.
