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New MINI Countryman breaks cover

- Distinctive new front and rear look with redesigned front grille
- Standard LED headlights, fog lights and LED rear lights in Union Jack design
- New colour palettes and Piano Black Exterior option
- Latest generation of engines with upgrades and enhanced PHEV range
- New digital cockpit display and enhanced infotainment systems
- Arrives in New Zealand end 2020

MINI has unveiled its latest Countryman, the largest and most versatile member of the range. To continue on the road less taken, the new car features aesthetic updates, mechanical upgrades and connectivity improvements while retaining its signature flair and hallmark British style in the premium compact SUV segment.

A redesigned radiator grille with MINI's signature hexagonal contours joins with a new bumper design and a revised lower air intake arrangement at the front, while a new rear bumper design and lower valance complete the styling update.

All lighting functions now feature LED technology as standard, and at the front a continuous LED daytime light band doubles up as turn indicators. At the rear, new light graphics trace the outline of a Union Jack motif, forming a distinct identification unique to MINI. Adaptive LED technology is available as an option.

MINI's distinctive range of colours is expanded with White Silver and Sage Green metallic joining the mix for the new Countryman. Roof and side mirror caps can now be finished in either body colour, white, black or silver depending on model variant, while a new Piano Black exterior option darkens selected chrome exterior pieces to high-gloss black.

Depending on the model variant, the new MINI Countryman is fitted as standard with light alloy wheels either 16-inch or 17-inch in size, with wheels up to 19 inches available as optional extras and as part of the Original MINI Accessories programme. New wheel designs include Channel Spoke Black and Turnstile Spoke 2-tone.

The new MINI Countryman is available with a choice of three TwinPower Turbo petrol engines. In addition, a high-voltage lithium-ion battery with a gross energy content of 9.6kWh gives the new plug-in hybrid MINI Cooper SE Countryman ALL4 an enhanced maximum electric range of 55 to 61 kilometres. (Previous range – 40km)

All powertrains are compliant with Euro 6d emissions standards.

Model	Engine	Power / Torque	0-100km/h	Fuel Use	CO ₂
Cooper	3-cylinder petrol	100kW/220Nm	9.7s	5.9 – 5.6 l/100 km	135 – 129g/km
Cooper S	4-cylinder petrol	131kW/280Nm	7.5s	6.5 – 6.3 l/100 km	148 – 144g/km
Cooper SE ALL4	3-cylinder petrol + HV Electric	100+65kW/ 220 + 165Nm	6.8s	2.0 – 1.7 l/100 km	45 – 40g/km

Upgrades to new engines in the range include a revised exhaust manifold integrated in the cylinder, ensuring highly effective cooling of the exhaust gases and the turbocharging system, as well as increased fuel pressure (in petrol variants) from 200 to 350 bar.

The interior of the new MINI Countryman increases its appeal with a new refined surface around the circular control unit in the centre instrument panel. Intelligently reorganised controls, touch-sensitive bookmark buttons and high-gloss Piano Black surfaces further underscore the car's premium character.

A new digital instrument display is also available to order, measuring 5.0 inches to display essential information concisely in front of the driver.

MINI Connected features also see an intuitive expansion, from Navigation Plus options restructured on the familiar 8.8-inch infotainment screen to enhanced Intelligent Emergency services and even Amazon Alexa integration.

The new MINI Countryman continues the pioneering and quirky spirit of the brand, building on the brand's highly successful advance into the premium compact SUV segment. The MINI Countryman now accounts for almost 30 per cent of the brand's new registrations worldwide.

The new MINI Countryman will arrive in New Zealand at the end of 2020 with pricing and specification detail to be announced closer to launch.

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Fuel consumption, CO₂ emission figures and power consumption were measured using the methods required according to Regulation VO (EC) 2007/715 as amended. The figures are calculated using a vehicle fitted with basic equipment in Germany, the ranges stated take into account differences in selected wheel and tyre sizes as well as the optional equipment. They may change during configuration.

The figures have already been calculated based on the new WLTP test cycle and adapted to NEDC for comparison purposes. In these vehicles, different figures than those published here may apply for the assessment of taxes and other vehicle-related duties which are (also) based on CO₂ emissions.

For further details of the official fuel consumption figures and official specific CO₂ emissions of new cars, please refer to the "Manual on the fuel consumption, CO₂ emissions and power consumption of new cars", available at sales outlets, from Deutsche Automobil Treuhand GmbH (DAT), Hellmuth-Hirth-Str. 1, 73760 Ostfildern-Scharnhausen and at <https://www.dat.de/co2/>.

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