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# 2019 HYUNDAI SANTA FE

# New Name, New Look

s the best-selling SUV in the brand's 32-year history in America — with sales of more than 1.6 million units — the Santa Fe represents Hyundai's strong SUV heritage and continues its success story. On sale now, the fourth generation 2019 model builds on this success offering an all-new family-oriented interior, loaded with practical cutting-edge technologies and bold exterior looks.

### CHANGE FOR THE BETTER

The five-passenger Santa Fe Sport will now be called Santa Fe. The current long wheelbase three-row, seven-passenger model called Santa Fe has been renamed Santa Fe XL for the 2019 model year. An all-new three-row, eight-passenger SUV is currently under development and will carry an all-new name.

The face of the new Santa Fe is highlighted by Hyundai's signature cascading grille and a composite light design comprising LED daytime running lights positioned on top of the LED headlights. The exterior design is characterized by a powerful wide stance and an athletic body that makes a statement from 100 feet away. It's a bold look that is enhanced by refined lines.



The Santa Fe's exterior design is characterized by a powerful wide stance and athletic body.



Inside, the Santa Fe offers plenty of room and amenities.

### **ROOM TO MOVE**

The Santa Fe interior design combines premium

quality with a roomy layout featuring a strong horizontal design theme and enhanced visibility. Premium touches such as the layered, three-dimensional instrument panel and contrasting seat stitching ensures a high level of luxury within the cabin. The Santa Fe's larger DLO enhances the interior's feeling of openness with generous amounts of natural light.

Interior cabin space has been enhanced on the 2019 Santa Fe. Inside, there is now more cargo room behind the second-row seats. In addition to more cargo space, second-row leg room has also been lengthened to be best-in-class. The H-point distance between the first and second rows has also been increased and the floor has been lowered for even more second-row comfort. Engineers also have incorporated one-touch folding second-row seats.

### POWERED UP

The 2019 Santa Fe lineup offers a choice of proven

## BY THE NUMBERS

Base price: \$25,500 Wheelbase: 126.5 in Length: 210.7 in. Width: 81.2 in. Height: 75.7 in. Motor: Theta-II 2.4 GDI, 16-valve MLA, DOHC, 4-cylinder in-line, 185 hp, 178 lb.-ft. torque Transmission: 8-speed Automatic Transmission with manual shift mode EPA Mileage: 22 city, 29 highway

powertrains. There is a 2.4liter inline four-cylinder GDI engine with 185 horsepower or a more powerful, turbocharged 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine with 235 horsepower. All engines are mated to a brand-new eight-speed automatic transmission. The newly developed transmission provides quick and crisp shifts for a more engaging and efficient driving experience. Despite having two extra gears, the eight-speed transmission, which was designed in-house, is lighter than the outgoing six-speed model. The automatic transmission adds ratio range at both the top and bottom of output speeds allowing for extra thrust offthe-line and a quieter, more fuel-efficient dash down the interstate.