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## ŠKODA Australia launches stylish Fabia Monte Carlo

- > **Dynamic and striking design honours spirit of Monte Carlo Rally**
- > **Adaptive Cruise Control now available in Fabia Monte Carlo for the first time**
- > **Boosted safety with rear view camera now standard, on top of existing standard Front Assist and SmartLink**
- > **Added versatility of wagon body style for first time in Australia**
- > **ŠKODA Choice guarantees the future value of ŠKODA vehicles**

**Sydney, 6 September 2016** – The ŠKODA Fabia Monte Carlo returns and ticks all the boxes along the way with a dynamic design, additional standard equipment over the already feature-packed Fabia entry model and a wagon variant offering greater versatility.

ŠKODA's Fabia Monte Carlo is a proven success story in the Australian market, with the previous generation hatch comprising 40 per cent of domestic Fabia sales. ŠKODA Australia Managing Director Michael Irmer said: "The Fabia is already the most distinctive and versatile offering in the city car segment. In Monte Carlo form it is unique."

Striking looks are the Fabia Monte Carlo's calling card. Like its predecessors, the MY17 model evokes the spirit of the Monte Carlo Rally and pays tribute to ŠKODA's history of wins in the iconic race. The design package boasts race-inspired detailing – a distinctive "Monte Carlo" stamp on the B-pillar and front door sill plates, a flat-bottomed steering wheel with red stitching, sports pedals and sports seats.

The Fabia Monte Carlo also features numerous design elements in black, including the front grille frame, side skirts, door mirrors, front spoiler, rear diffuser, 17" black alloy wheels and a panoramic glass sunroof. These stylish black accents serve to make the body colour of the car 'pop' and snatch attention. Exterior paint options include the bold and popular corrida red, candy white, race blue and steel grey, amongst others.

ŠKODA Fabia Monte Carlo is about more than looks. The Monte Carlo builds on the spec-loaded, 'simply clever' package of the entry MY17 Fabia, offering safety, quality, more car for your money, and carefree ownership.

The Fabia range is ahead of the game. The entry model is the first to market in Australia with SmartLink Smartphone connectivity (including Apple CarPlay and Android Auto) as standard. It is also one of the only vehicles in the light car segment with a turbocharged





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engine, reflected in its faster acceleration (9.4s, 0-100km) than key competitors in the segment.

In another step forward, the MY17 Fabia range now has **rear view camera as standard in all models**, setting it apart from most competitors. The rear view camera joins existing standard driver safety systems such as Front Assist with City Emergency Brake, Multi-Collision Brake and Electronic Stability Control. All combine to produce a stylish car that does not compromise on safety, and in which drivers can have confidence.

The Monte Carlo variant offers all this spec – and more. The drive experience is enhanced with sports suspension for improved handling and a racier feel on the roads. The car also incorporates regular cruise control with a speedlimiter as standard, for greater comfort and convenience on longer drives.

The Fabia Monte Carlo comes with a turbocharged 81kw engine and a 7-speed DSG transmission, again outstripping most auto-transmission competitor models in power and torque (175Nm).

For the first time in Australia, the Monte Carlo variant is also available in a wagon body style, for just \$1,150 RRP above the \$23,490 base RRP for the Monte Carlo Hatch. This added versatility allows the Fabia Monte Carlo to match the demands of varying lifestyles – whether that involves squeezing into tight parking spots in the city, or fitting suitcases in the boot for a road trip out of town.

The wagon offers a roomy luggage capacity of 505 litres with the rear seats up, and an even more spacious maximum of 1,370 litres with the seats folded down – far more than any car from the next segment up in size.

Customers can also furbish their vehicle with an optional Tech Pack. Leading the charge again, the MY17 ŠKODA Fabia range is amongst the first in the light car segment to offer radar-based adaptive cruise control, as part of the Tech Pack. The Tech Pack also includes keyless entry and start, rear parking sensors, Climatronic air-conditioning and a host of other advanced comfort and safety systems. Priced at an all-inclusive \$1,800, the Tech Pack saves 40 per cent in the total value of its individual components and represents a strong value equation.

Customers can rest assured with their investment in a ŠKODA vehicle. ŠKODA Australia offers options of three- or five-year Care Packs, Service Packs, extended factory warranty and ŠKODA Choice, which guarantees the future value of your vehicle. Almost half of





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