



2012 M-Class



Mercedes-Benz

125! years of innovation

In 1886, Carl Benz was awarded the patent for inventing the first car, while just 60 miles away, Gottlieb Daimler developed his own version. Between them they also invented the motorcycle and truck, and won the first auto race. For 125 years, a passion for innovation has driven Mercedes-Benz to continually reinvent the automobile—and redefine the standard for all cars. The same pioneering spirit that introduced such breakthroughs as the 4-wheel independent suspension, the Electronic Stability Program, side curtain air bags and, more recently, PRE-SAFE® to the world of cars, also brought them to SUVs. Today, the Three-Pointed Star remains far more than a shining symbol of Mercedes-Benz innovation. It's a guiding beacon for all automobiles.



first of its kind. all over again.

The appeal of an SUV has always been imagining where you could go with it. And no SUV in history has brought that spirit to life—your life—like the M-Class. Fifteen years ago, the original M-Class was first to unite the capability and versatility of a midsize SUV with the luxury, performance and safety innovations that define a Mercedes-Benz. So how do you redesign a vehicle that redefined the SUV? Presenting the all-new third-generation 2012 M-Class. In a world where your choices in luxury SUVs have grown quite abundant, it once again leaps to the forefront with unexpected performance, unprecedented safety and unparalleled refinement. And once again it can take you where no SUV has yet to venture: Undiscovered worlds of driving enjoyment. New elevations in confidence. And unimagined realms of civilized comfort.

Any automaker can introduce a new luxury SUV. Only one can reinvent the SUV that started it all.

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ML 350 4MATIC shown with optional Palladium Silver metallic paint, PARKTRONIC, and Dynamic Handling, Lighting and Premium 2 Packages.

ahead of its time. in all the right places.

The wind tunnel. The winding back road. The crash-test hall. The best restaurant in town. There was a time when the go-anywhere capability of an SUV really didn't reach a lot of places. Until the M-Class. With the first 4-wheel independent suspension, side-impact air bags, and electronic traction and stability control systems in an SUV, it opened up a new world of SUV performance. It was even first with certified low emissions. For 2012, the original midsize luxury SUV resets the benchmark. With industry-exclusive safety systems. A new generation of efficient, ultralow-emission power. And an exquisitely crafted cabin brimming with user-friendly innovations. It's quite possibly the most technologically advanced SUV on the road. Or wherever you take it.



Passion for the road. With a rigid uni-body, an agile double-wishbone front/multilink rear suspension and an efficient new electromechanical power steering system, the M-Class takes to the road with the crisp handling, supple ride and quick reflexes of a Mercedes-Benz sedan.

Ready for adventure. Few SUVs can blend on-road refinement with ruggedness in the rough like the M-Class. Engineered as an SUV—and not based on a car—its generous ground clearance and wheel travel are matched with advanced technology that's useful on-road and off.

ML 350 BlueTEC shown above with Black paint and optional PARKTRONIC. ML 550 4MATIC shown at right with Arctic White paint and optional PARKTRONIC and Driver Assistance Package. Please see endnotes at back of brochure.



ML 350 BlueTEC. An advanced clean-diesel V-6¹ delivers more thrust – 240 hp and 455 lb-ft of torque – than ever, so it can reach 60 mph in just 7.3 seconds,² yet cruise over 600 miles on a tank of fuel.³ Standard 4MATIC™ all-wheel drive makes the most of its grippy 19" wheels and tires.

ML 350 4MATIC. With an all-new 302-hp gasoline V-6 and paddle-shifted 7-speed automatic, 60 mph arrives in 7.3 seconds² while fuel efficiency is improved by more than 10 percent.³ Its innovative AGILITY CONTROL suspension and 19" wheels team up for smooth, surefooted response.

ML 550 4MATIC.⁴ With a mighty new 402-hp twin-turbo V-8 and newly reengineered 7-speed automatic with paddle shifters, the ML 550 surges from 0 to 60 in a sports-carlike 5.3 seconds.² Exclusive AMG styling details, including 19" AMG wheels, reveal its performance-tuned persona.





a world of your own.
apart from the crowd.

While the advanced performance of the new M-Class helps you feel more in tune with the world outside, its inner environment is designed to inspire a very personal sense of contentment. Its supportive seats envelop you in form-fitting comfort. Every control exudes elegance—in appearance, feel, and most of all, ease of use. And its lavish standard appointments—from heated front seats to a power liftgate—are devoted to making each part of every drive more satisfying. From the moment you enter its spacious, stylish and soothing cabin, the M-Class welcomes your arrival with a noticeable departure from the everyday world.

ML 350 4MATIC shown with optional Black leather upholstery, Burl Walnut wood trim, and optional Premium 1 Package.



Well-being. In any environment, the M-Class attends to your comforts like a team of valets. The dual-zone climate control filters dust, pollen and odors from the incoming air. The windshield wipers adapt to the rainfall. Automatic headlamps respond quickly to nightfall, tunnels and even dark garages. Even the audio system adjusts its volume to your driving speed.

Well-tended. The rewarding air of fine craftsmanship is no illusion in the impeccably detailed cabin. Upholstery is finely stitched and hand-fitted to each seat. Wood trim is hand-polished to a rich glow. It's also sustainably forested, for a more beautiful environment inside the M-Class and out.

in its element. at any moment.

No matter the circumstances, the advanced performance systems of the M-Class are eager to respond to the ever-changing demands of the road, the weather and even the planet. State-of-the-art gasoline and BlueTEC clean diesel engines operate with precision that's measured in milliseconds and molecules, for immediate acceleration with lasting benefits in efficiency and ultralow emissions. An innovative AGILITY CONTROL suspension reads the road surface and instantly adjusts to balance quick, sharp reflexes with silky comfort. Versatile 4MATIC™ all-wheel drive matches its slick-surface capability with a compact, lightweight design that keeps handling limber and sporty year-round. And an optional height-adjustable semi-active air suspension teams with a new active roll stabilization system⁴ for a new degree of cornering control. Winter's wrath or winding back road, no matter what kind of curve you toss at the new M-Class, it's always on the ball.

Best foot forward. In any weather, on any road, the standard 4MATIC all-wheel drive helps turn power into performance. Its 4-wheel Electronic Traction System (4-ETS) continually redistributes torque to the wheels with the best grip—even if that's a single wheel.⁵ With a permanent 50:50 front/rear torque split, handling is crisp and nimble on dry roads, too.

On the level. Standard 19" alloy wheels are equally road-hugging and eye-catching. Speed-sensing power steering and 4-wheel independent AGILITY CONTROL suspension continually balance refined comfort with precise cornering feedback. An optional new Dynamic Handling Package⁴ combines 20" wheels with self-leveling, semi-active AIRMATIC adaptive air suspension and a new ACTIVE CURVE SYSTEM—an innovation that helps to counteract body roll in corners without sacrificing ride quality.





Power on the cutting edge. Three advanced engine choices propel the M-Class into the future. Efficient new-generation Direct Injection gasoline engines—a 302-hp V-6 in the ML 350 4MATIC and a 402-hp twin-turbo V-8 in the ML 550 4MATIC⁴—can fine-tune their fuel and spark in a millisecond, for a torrent of torque with a trickle of emissions. In the ML 350 BlueTEC, a 50-state clean diesel V-6 generates more torque than many V-8s yet returns up to 25 highway mpg.³ BlueTEC technology converts its nitrogen oxide emissions into pure, earth-friendly nitrogen and oxygen elements.

Control at your fingertips. Reengineered for smoother, more efficient performance, the 7-speed automatic transmission features an electronic selector and sporty paddle shifters—allowing complete control of gear changes without taking a hand from the leather-wrapped steering wheel.



protective in nature. and by heredity.

For over 60 years, Mercedes-Benz has been paving the way in safety innovation, and creating a roadmap every automaker follows. Since the 1951 patent for the crumple zone, breakthroughs like the Antilock Braking System (ABS), the Electronic Stability Program (ESP®) and emergency-sensing Brake Assist have become the standard for all cars. And it was the M-Class that introduced side curtain air bags and the 4-wheel Electronic Traction System (4-ETS) to the world of SUVs. True to its heritage, the 2012 M-Class is engineered with visionary safety advances that watch the road ahead and to your side. Help you to see and be seen. And respond to help make an accident less likely—or even less severe, thanks to the exclusive PRE-SAFE® system that can actually detect and help prepare for a collision before it happens. Once again, Mercedes-Benz doesn't just show you the future. It helps you to be ready for it.

reveal.

Brighter lighting. The optional Lighting Package,⁴ features Bi-Xenon headlamps that pierce the night with light that's closer in perception to natural daylight than halogen headlamps. Active Curve Illumination and Adaptive Highbeam Assist continuously vary the beam pattern of the headlamps to maximize illumination of corners and straightaways, without creating glare for other drivers. Bright white LED Daytime Running Lamps and LED taillamps are standard equipment.

Blind Spot Assist and Lane Keeping Assist.

These optional systems can alert the driver to some unseen vehicles in the adjacent lane,⁶ and can warn the driver of unintended drifting across visible lane markings.⁷ Both systems are also offered with active technology that can help guide the vehicle back into its own lane should the driver disregard the alerts.

ATTENTION ASSIST. By continually monitoring a variety of driving behaviors, this Mercedes-Benz innovation can audibly and visually alert the driver if it detects signs of drowsiness on long trips. More than 70 variables are measured in the first minutes of a drive to establish a pattern for the individual driver and determine the warning thresholds accordingly.⁷

prepare.

PRE-SAFE. A Mercedes-Benz first, PRE-SAFE can detect instability during certain vehicle maneuvers that suggest a collision or rollover is imminent. It can then tighten the front seat belts, and close the windows and the sunroof—all in an effort to better prepare the occupants in the moments before a collision.⁸

Adaptive Brakes. An integrated system of braking advances helps to make driving more reassuring and relaxing in a variety of situations. If the driver lifts off the accelerator quickly, Predictive Brake Priming sets the pads closer to the discs for more immediate response when the driver steps on the brakes. In the rain, Automatic Brake Drying gently applies the brakes periodically, to sweep away water buildup on the discs. During uphill starts, Hill-Start Assist helps prevent unwanted rollback. And a HOLD feature can make stop-and-go traffic a little easier.⁹

Towing. Every M-Class can tow up to 7,200 lbs when equipped with the optional trailer hitch.¹⁰ Standard Trailer Stability Assist integrates with the sensors for ESP to detect trailer oscillation when towing. If it senses the onset of sway, it applies the front brakes of the M-Class to help bring it all under control.

Off-road driving. With its rugged uni-body and flexible suspension, the M-Class is engineered for the rigors of off-road adventure.¹¹ It can ford through water up to 20" deep. On steep inclines, Downhill Speed Regulation (DSR) can automatically maintain a preselected crawl speed, for a more secure and surefooted descent.

react.

DISTRONIC PLUS. A Mercedes-Benz innovation that takes cruise control to a new level of convenience, this optional system adapts your set cruising speed in response to traffic ahead—automatically slowing down until your path is clear again. If traffic stops, DISTRONIC PLUS can even brake the car to a full halt, then resume automatically when it clears.¹²

PRE-SAFE Brake. DISTRONIC PLUS also integrates a system that uses radar-based sensors to help detect an impending collision with a vehicle ahead. Even if you're not using the cruise control, PRE-SAFE Brake can automatically apply up to 100% of the car's braking force to help reduce the severity of impact.⁹

Nine standard air bags. Within the high-strength steel-reinforced uni-body structure of the M-Class, nine air bags offer 11-way protection. Side-impact air bags and side curtain air bags are provided for all four outboard seating positions. A driver's knee air bag further augments the dual-stage front air bags.¹³

Post-collision response. In the event that an air bag or a seat-belt Emergency Tensioning Device (ETD) deploys, the standard Mercedes-Benz mbrace® system includes Automatic Collision Notification, which initiates a call to our 24-hour emergency response center—even if you cannot.¹⁴ In addition, the M-Class will automatically shut off its engine and fuel supply, turn on the hazard flashers and some interior lights, partially open the windows to help ventilate the cabin, and unlock the doors in an effort to assist rescuers.



ML350 BlueTEC shown with optional Dakota Brown metallic paint, PARKTRONIC and Premium 2 Package. Please see endnotes at back of brochure.



in touch with tomorrow.
in tune with you.

thoughtfully innovative, thoroughly intuitive.

It might be difficult to comprehend how far-reaching the technological innovation of the M-Class cockpit is, but enjoying it comes quite easily. A high-resolution 7" color display provides useful information with vivid color and illustrated graphics. Your hands fall naturally to the controls, from the multifunction steering wheel to the elegant central controller on the console. The Bluetooth® system lets you make hands-free phone calls, or stream music from your digital player wirelessly. The available navigation system responds to your normal speaking voice, reports on the weather, and can automatically re-route you around traffic. There's even an option that helps you size up a parking space as you drive by, then expertly steers the vehicle in—hands-free—while you manage the pedals. And while the M-Class goes out of its way to make driving easier, it also helps make it more fun, with standard paddle shifters and an available 830-watt surround sound system.

Multifunction. The COMAND system brings all your entertainment and navigation options together via a convenient central controller and 7" in-dash color display. Controls on the Premium leather-wrapped steering wheel make it easy to adjust the audio, use the Bluetooth interface,¹⁵ and thumb through the various screens of the 4.5" display in the instrument cluster.

Multidimensional. Your listening choices are nearly limitless. HD Radio™ stations, an in-dash DVD/CD player, an SD memory card reader, a USB port and Bluetooth audio streaming are all standard. The Premium 1 Package adds SiriusXM Satellite Radio,¹⁶ iPod® integration,¹⁷ and a 10GB Music Register for storing your digital music. The optional Premium 2 Package adds a state-of-the-art harman/kardon LOGIC7® system that outputs 830 watts of Dolby® Digital 5.1 surround sound through 13 speakers plus a subwoofer.

Omnidirectional. The Premium 1 Package adds navigation with a fast 80GB hard drive and new 3D maps with building profiles.¹⁸ It also features Enhanced Voice Control, SiriusXM Traffic with dynamic re-routing, new SiriusXM Weather, as well as Zagat® Survey ratings for restaurants, hotels and golf courses. A rear view camera with on-screen active parking guidelines is included.¹⁹

Multitalented. Optional KEYLESS-GO lets you unlock, start and re-lock your M-Class without ever taking the key from your pocket or purse. Optional PARKTRONIC can alert you to nearby obstacles as you negotiate tight spaces. It also includes Active Parking Assist, an innovation that surveys parallel-parking spots as you drive by—sizing them up and letting you know which one's a good fit. Then, as you back into your chosen space, the system handles the steering for you while you control the gas and brakes.

ML 350 4MATIC shown with optional Black leather upholstery, Burl Walnut wood trim, and optional Premium 1 Package. Please see endnotes at back of brochure.





impeccable precision, immeasurable pleasure.

While it's easy to praise the versatile M-Class cabin for its ample legroom and abundant cargo space, it excels even more in unexpected dimensions. Consider the depth of its craftsmanship, and the time spent hand-fitting its upholstery and hand-polishing its wood trim. Envision the microscopic particles of dust and pollen—as tiny as 0.0002"—swept from the air by its dual-zone climate control. Imagine the extra degree of comfort provided by standard heated front seats, or optional heated rear seats and a heated steering wheel. And muse at the spectrum of its available multicolor ambient lighting. However you size it up, the 2012 M-Class brings SUV luxury not just to a new level of refinement, but to a new standard of enjoyment. True luxury, after all, is not just a matter of measurements, but of measuring up.



Embracing. Heated, 8-way power-adjustable front seats are designed for lasting comfort on long rides or over years of use. The driver seat offers 4-way pneumatic lumbar support, while the optional Premium 1 Package adds a 3-position memory system that also recalls the settings for the power steering column (included in the package) and side mirrors.

Flexible. The versatile 60/40-split rear seats fold flat in seconds to create up to 71 cu ft of cargo space.²⁰ A standard power liftgate helps makes cargo loading easier—especially in the rain or when your arms are already full. The cargo area is richly finished with plush carpeting and a chrome load-sill plate to help protect the rear bumper. A 12-volt power port is standard, while a household-type 115-volt outlet—located in the rear seating area—is included in the Premium 1 Package.

Indulgent. Options such as heated rear seats and a state-of-the-art dual-screen/dual-input Rear Seat Entertainment system add to the already inviting rear-cabin experience. And for the driver's pleasure, there's the choice of a hand-finished wood/leather steering wheel or a heated steering wheel that can quickly take the chill from your hands on a cool morning.

Variable. The Premium 2 Package includes multicolor ambient lighting in your choice of three selectable hues, along with the glowing welcome of illuminated front door sills.

Expansive. Beyond the standard power tilt/sliding sunroof, the optional Panorama roof lets all five passengers enjoy a view of the sky through an expanse of heat-reflecting tinted glass. The front section tilts up or slides open, while a power mesh screen shades the sun.

ML 350 4MATIC shown with optional Black leather upholstery, Burl Walnut wood trim, and optional PARKTRONIC and Premium 1 Package. Please see endnotes at back of brochure.





impressively flexible.
obsessively finished.



connected to you. and your life.

Your vehicle is more than a source of enjoyment, it's an integral part of everyday living. The Mercedes-Benz mbrace® system can make it easier—whether you're planning a trip, trying to remember where you parked, or in need of help in an emergency.¹⁴ With mbrace, you can access an innovative and thoughtful world of security, destination planning and convenience services—not only from inside your M-Class but also from your computer and your smartphone. With advanced, reliable technology, plus 24-hour support from helpful experts, mbrace helps to keep you, your life and your Mercedes-Benz connected.

from your vehicle.

With Mercedes-Benz mbrace, three simple buttons inside your vehicle can connect you to emergency services, our 24-hour Customer Assistance Center, or our Roadside Assistance service.²¹ Numerous mbrace services are also seamlessly integrated with your vehicle's available COMAND navigation system.

from your smartphone.

The mbrace Mobile Application for iPhone® lets you send addresses to your vehicle's navigation system, locate your vehicle from up to a mile away, remote-lock or unlock its doors, find a dealer, and contact Roadside Assistance, Concierge services or even Mercedes-Benz Financial Services with a touch. A new Drive2Friend™ feature lets other people send their location to your car simply by responding to a text message you send them.²²

from your computer.

In addition to all the support you'll find at mbrace.MBUSA.com, you can send addresses directly to your vehicle's COMAND navigation system using the Send2Benz™ website. You can also look up a destination on Google Maps™ and instantly send it to your vehicle via the Search & Send™ feature. And a new browser toolbar widget lets you highlight an address on your screen and send it to your vehicle with just two clicks.

Mercedes-Benz mbrace is the ongoing evolution of our groundbreaking in-vehicle services, offering national support along with expanded and enhanced features. To learn more about mbrace, see your Mercedes-Benz dealer, call 866-990-9007 or visit MBUSA.com/mbrace. Please see endnotes at back of brochure.





mbrace
Your World, From Your Car

Mercedes-Benz mbrace® packages.

Mercedes-Benz mbrace offers unparalleled support, when and where you need it. Two available service packages each include an attractive complimentary trial period, so you can experience the many ways mbrace helps you feel connected and protected. With the standard mbrace Package, you get unlimited access to its innovative Navigation and Destination Planning features: Send2Benz, Drive2Friend and Search & Send. It also includes all of the Safety and Security services, plus several reassuring Convenience features, such as the ability to locate your vehicle or remotely lock its doors via your smartphone. The mbrace PLUS Package offers unlimited use of our expert Concierge services, as well as spoken turn-by-turn Route Assistance—even if you're not using your vehicle's navigation system—plus the latest traffic and weather reports based on your current location.

	mbrace	mbrace PLUS
safety and security		
Automatic Collision Notification	•	•
SOS/Emergency Call	•	•
Roadside Assistance Connection	•	•
Stolen Vehicle Location Assistance	•	•
Automatic Alarm Notification	•	•
Crisis Assist	•	•
Safe Ride	•	•

It can call for help, even if you can't. In the event that an air bag or Emergency Tensioning Device is activated, mbrace initiates a call to the Mercedes-Benz Emergency Response Center to notify them of the incident, and provide information on your vehicle and its location. A Customer Specialist will then attempt to make voice contact with you. If you request help, or do not respond, they will notify local emergency response services, and stay on the line until help arrives.

	mbrace	mbrace PLUS
navigation and destination planning		
Send2Benz Drive2Friend Search & Send	•	•
Point of Interest Destination Download		•
Route Assistance		•
Location-Based Traffic		•
Location-Based Weather		•

Across town, or cross-country. Whether you're going out for dinner, picking up a friend or planning a trip, mbrace offers a variety of ways to make getting there easier. You can look up an address or a Point of Interest online—or just grab it from your iPhone's contacts—and send it directly to your vehicle's navigation system. Or with a simple text message to a friend, they can let their mobile phone send its location directly to your car. Then, just a push of the *i*-Button in your vehicle will download the address, so you can either start route guidance immediately or save it in your navigation system's memory.

	mbrace	mbrace PLUS
convenience		
Mercedes-Benz Concierge		•
Remote Door Lock	•	•
Remote Door Unlock	•	•
Vehicle Finder (via Mobile Application only)	•	•
Dealer Connect	•	•
Vehicle Information	•	•

The extra mile, around the clock, all for you. Subscribing to the mbrace PLUS package gives you unlimited access to Mercedes-Benz Concierge services—our network of experienced, professional personal assistants who can fulfill virtually any request, at any time of day or night, right from the comfort of your vehicle. You can even enjoy their services on the go, via the mbrace Mobile Application for iPhone.



make it yours.

Genuine Mercedes-Benz Accessories help you make your car the ideal expression of your style. And since they're exclusively engineered for your M-Class, they fit your vehicle as well as they fit your life. A wide array of items can enhance your vehicle's appearance, expand its functionality, or offer it some extra protection in everyday use. From clever cargo solutions to ingenious entertainment systems, every accessory is thoughtfully designed and engineered to exacting standards. It's the best way to make your M-Class unmistakably yours while keeping it genuinely Mercedes-Benz. To see the entire selection, visit MBUSA.com/M.

Roof racks. Start with the roof rack basic carrier mounted to the standard roof rails, and you can add a variety of attachments tailored for your favorite activities. Bicycle racks each secure a single bike by its wheels and frame, and up to three racks can be fitted at once. The deluxe ski and snowboard rack holds up to six pairs of skis or four snowboards, and features a pull-out function that lets you load the rack without reaching across the roof. All racks and the basic carrier are sold individually.

20" twin 5-spoke wheels. Beveled twin spokes in a high-sheen Palladium Silver finish add an intriguing presence to your M-Class.

Illumination for running boards. Brighten your step in eye-catching style. LED lighting helps to illuminate the surfaces of the optional running boards with five spotlights on each side of the vehicle.

Chrome hood fins. A set of six easy-to-attach polished chrome fins adds a shimmering highlight to the M-Class hood vents.

Cargo tray and boxes. Formed from durable and easy-to-clean plastic with 2" sides, the cargo tray helps protect the cargo-area carpeting from spills and soiling. You can also add up to two deep, rugged cargo boxes to help keep taller items such as grocery bags in place. Cargo tray and each cargo box are sold individually.

Rear Seat Entertainment system. Offer first-rate entertainment to the second seating row with dual 7" LCD monitors mounted behind each front head restraint. Each screen can play individual DVDs, or you can attach external devices like gaming consoles via USB and SD card slots. Two pairs of wireless headsets and a wireless remote are included to maximize passenger enjoyment while minimizing driver distraction. Both screens can also show the same movie together, playing the sound via the headsets or through the vehicle's audio system for everyone to enjoy.²³

In-Vehicle Hotspot. Now you can check email and browse the web from the comfort of your M-Class. Enjoy internet connectivity on the go, allowing your passengers (or the driver, when safely parked) to simultaneously connect up to four wireless laptops, tablets or mobile devices. The fast router is securely installed in the vehicle, while an encrypted password helps ensure limited access to your wireless connection. An initial activation fee and monthly service subscription may be required.

iPad docking station. Enjoy using your iPad® while on the road without having to hold it. Each tilting, rotatable docking station secures and charges an iPad behind the front head restraint, and offers a high-speed connection in combination with the In-Vehicle Hotspot. Up to two stations (sold individually) can be installed.²⁴

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ML 550 4MATIC shown with optional Diamond White metallic paint, PARKTRONIC and Premium 2 Package. Please see endnotes at back of brochure.

build your own.

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option packages

	ML 350 BlueTEC	ML 350 4MATIC	ML 550 4MATIC ⁴
Premium 1 Package	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard-drive navigation,¹⁸ 10GB Music Register for storing MP3 files • SiriusXM Satellite Radio, Traffic and Weather¹⁶ (with 6-month trial) • iPod®/MP3 Media Interface,¹⁷ Gracenote® media database • Enhanced Voice Control for audio, telephone and navigation • 10-way power driver seat with 3-position memory • Power tilt/telescoping steering column • Power-folding side mirrors, auto-dimming driver-side and inside rear view mirrors, double sun visors • 115-volt AC power outlet in rear seating area • Rear view camera¹⁹ 			
Premium 2 Package (also includes all items in Premium 1 Package)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • harman/kardon LOGIC7® surround-sound system with Dolby Digital 5.1 • KEYLESS-GO • Multicolor ambient lighting, illuminated front door sills • Lockable rear storage compartment 			
Dynamic Handling Package⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACTIVE CURVE SYSTEM • AIRMATIC air suspension with Adaptive Damping System (ADS) • 20" twin 5-spoke wheels with all-season tires (ML 350 models) • 20" AMG 5-spoke wheels with all-season tires (ML 550 4MATIC) 			
Lighting Package⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-Xenon headlamps with Active Curve Illumination • Adaptive Highbeam Assist • Headlamp washing system 			
Lane Tracking Package	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blind Spot Assist⁶ and Lane Keeping Assist⁷ 			
Driver Assistance Package	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DISTRONIC PLUS with PRE-SAFE® Brake¹² • Active Blind Spot Assist⁶ and Active Lane Keeping Assist⁷ 			

specifications

	ML 350 BlueTEC	ML 350 4MATIC	ML 550 4MATIC ⁴
Engine	3.0-liter turbo clean diesel V-6 240 hp @ 3,800 rpm 455 lb-ft net torque @ 1,600-2,400 rpm	3.5-liter Direct Injection V-6 302 hp @ 6,500 rpm 273 lb-ft net torque @ 3,500-5,250 rpm	4.6-liter twin-turbo Direct Injection V-8 402 hp @ 5,000-5,750 rpm 443 lb-ft net torque @ 1,600-4,750 rpm
Transmission	7-speed automatic with steering wheel-mounted paddle shifters	7-speed automatic with steering wheel-mounted paddle shifters	7-speed automatic with steering wheel-mounted paddle shifters
Wheels	19" twin 5-spoke	19" twin 5-spoke	19" AMG 5-spoke
Suspension	4-wheel independent with AGILITY CONTROL	4-wheel independent with AGILITY CONTROL	4-wheel independent with AGILITY CONTROL
Drivetrain	4MATIC™ all-wheel drive	4MATIC all-wheel drive	4MATIC all-wheel drive

individual options

	ML 350 BlueTEC	ML 350 4MATIC	ML 550 4MATIC ⁴
Panorama roof	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brushed aluminum running boards with rubber studs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PARKTRONIC with Active Parking Assist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
KEYLESS-GO (also in Premium 2 Package)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Class III trailer hitch ¹⁰ (7,200-lb towing capacity)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heated rear seats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heated steering wheel (not available with wood/leather steering wheel)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wood/leather steering wheel (not available with heated steering wheel)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leather upholstery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eucalyptus wood trim	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Burl Walnut wood trim (included with leather upholstery on ML 350 models)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Metallic paint	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rear Seat Entertainment system, or system prewiring (either option includes 3-position memory and 4-way power lumbar support for front passenger seat)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

● Standard ○ Optional — Not Available

dimensions

	ML 350 BlueTEC	ML 350 4MATIC	ML 550 4MATIC ⁴
Wheelbase	114.8"	114.8"	114.8"
Overall length	189.1"	189.1"	189.1"
Overall height	70.7"	70.7"	70.7"
Overall width (w/mirrors)	84.3"	84.3"	84.3"
Curb weight	5,040 lbs	4,753 lbs	4,985 lbs
Headroom (front/rear)	38.9" / 38.5"	38.9" / 38.5"	38.9" / 38.5"
Legroom (front/rear)	40.3" / 38.4"	40.3" / 38.4"	40.3" / 38.4"
Shoulder room (front/rear)	58.5" / 58.4"	58.5" / 58.4"	58.5" / 58.4"
Cargo capacity			
Behind rear seat (to top of seats)	36.2 cu ft	36.2 cu ft	36.2 cu ft
Rear seats folded (floor to ceiling)	71.0 cu ft	71.0 cu ft	71.0 cu ft





color and trim.

upholstery



Almond Beige



Black



Grey

wheel choices



Standard 19" twin 5-spoke
(ML 350 models)



Standard 19" AMG 5-spoke
(ML550 4MATIC)



Optional 20" twin 5-spoke⁴ (Dynamic
Handling Package, ML 350 models)



Optional 20" AMG 5-spoke (Dynamic
Handling Package, ML 550 4MATIC)

high-gloss wood trim



Burl Walnut



Eucalyptus (ML350 models)

non-metallic paintwork



Arctic White



Black

metallic paintwork



Capri Blue



Dakota Brown



Diamond White²⁵



Iridium Silver



Obsidian Black



Palladium Silver



Pearl Beige



Steel Grey

endnotes

- 1 Requires ultralow-sulfur diesel fuel. Mercedes-Benz approves the use of B5 biodiesel (diesel fuel with maximum 5% biodiesel content) that meets ASTM D6751 specifications. Please see your fuel retailer and Operator's Manual for further information. The Mercedes-Benz New Vehicle Limited warranty does not cover damage caused by non Mercedes-Benz approved fuel.
- 2 Preliminary estimates. See your dealer. Stated rates of acceleration are based upon manufacturer's track results and may vary depending on model, environmental and road surface conditions, driving style, elevation and vehicle load.
- 3 Preliminary 2012 EPA estimated fuel economy. Compare the estimated mpg to the estimated mpg of other vehicles. You may get different mileage depending on how fast you drive, weather conditions and trip length. Your actual highway mileage will probably be less than the highway estimate. Driving range claim based on fuel tank capacity and highway estimate.
- 4 Delayed availability. See your dealer.
- 5 No system, regardless of how advanced, can overcome the laws of physics or correct careless driving. Please always wear your seat belt. Performance is limited by available traction, which snow, ice and other conditions can affect. Always drive carefully, consistent with conditions. Best performance in snow is obtained with winter tires.
- 6 Blind Spot Assist may not be sufficient to avoid all accidents involving vehicles in your blind spot and does not estimate the speed of approaching vehicles. It must not be used as a sole substitute for driver awareness and checking of surrounding traffic conditions.
- 7 Driving while drowsy or distracted is dangerous and must be avoided. ATTENTION ASSIST and/or Lane Keeping Assist may be insufficient to alert a fatigued or distracted driver of lane drift and cannot be relied on to avoid an accident or serious injury. Lane Keeping Assist operates at speeds above approximately 20 mph.
- 8 PRE-SAFE[®] closes the side windows and sunroof when the system's sensors detect side movement that suggests a possible rollover.
- 9 Braking effectiveness also depends on proper brake maintenance, and tire and road conditions.
- 10 Read Operator's Manual before towing. In some states, aftermarket trailer brakes are required. See dealer for details.
- 11 Off-road driving should only be attempted by drivers with the necessary skill, experience and understanding of the vehicle's limits. Read Operator's Manual before driving off-road or in deep water. Driving in water of unknown depth is not recommended.
- 12 DISTRONIC PLUS adaptive cruise control is no substitute for active driving involvement. It does not react to stationary objects, nor recognize or predict the curvature and lane layout of the road or the movement of vehicles ahead. It is the driver's responsibility at all times to be attentive to traffic and road conditions, and to provide the steering, braking and other driving inputs necessary to retain control of the vehicle. Drivers are cautioned not to wait for the DISTRONIC Proximity Warning System before braking, as that may not afford sufficient time and distance to brake safely. After braking the car for stopped traffic ahead, system resumes automatically only if traffic pauses for less than 3 seconds.
- 13 WARNING: THE FORCES OF A DEPLOYING AIR BAG CAN CAUSE SERIOUS OR FATAL INJURIES TO A CHILD UNDER AGE 13. THE SAFEST SEATING POSITION FOR YOUR CHILD IS IN THE REAR SEAT, BELTED INTO AN APPROPRIATE, PROPERLY INSTALLED CHILD SEAT, OR CORRECTLY WEARING A SEAT BELT IF TOO LARGE FOR A CHILD SEAT. SEE OPERATOR'S MANUAL FOR ADDITIONAL WARNINGS AND INFORMATION ON AIR BAGS, SEAT BELTS AND CHILD SEATS.
- 14 All Mercedes-Benz mbrace[™] services operate only where cellular and Global Positioning Satellite signals are available, which are provided by third parties and not within the control of Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. An mbrace Package trial period is offered on new, Certified Pre-Owned and pre-owned sales and leases at an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer. Subscriber Agreement is required for service to be active. Some services are only available on select vehicles. Your PIN is required in order to use certain services. See your dealer or MBUSA.com/mbrace for details, including a list of compatible smartphones.
- 15 Bluetooth[™] interface does not provide phone charging or external antenna. Voice interactivity feature is dependent on selected handset. Visit MBUSA-Mobile.com for details. Phone sold separately. See dealer for a list of approved compatible phones.
- 16 With the purchase of a new, satellite radio-enabled vehicle, you'll receive a complimentary 6-month subscription to SiriusXM Satellite Radio, SiriusXM Traffic and SiriusXM Weather, courtesy of Mercedes-Benz. SiriusXM Traffic and Weather services are available in select markets. If you decide to continue your SiriusXM service at the end of your 6-month trial, all SiriusXM services are sold separately, and the plan you choose will automatically renew and bill at then-current rates until you call 1-866-635-2349 to cancel. See SiriusXM Customer Agreement for complete terms, www.siriusxm.com. Sirius U.S. Satellite service available only to those at least 18 years of age in the 48 contiguous United States, DC and Puerto Rico (with coverage limitations).
- 17 All iPod[®] devices are sold separately. Feature not compatible with iPod Shuffle. See dealer for details.
- 18 While the navigation system provides directional assistance, the driver must remain focused on safe driving behavior, including paying attention to traffic and street signs. The driver should utilize the system's audio cues while driving and should only consult the map or visual displays once the vehicle has been stopped in a safe place. Maps do not cover all areas or all routes within an area.
- 19 Rear view camera does not audibly notify driver of nearby objects and is not a substitute for actively checking around the vehicle for any obstacles or people. Images displayed may be limited to camera field of view, weather, lighting conditions and the presence of dirt, ice or snow on the camera.
- 20 Unsecured cargo can become hazardous in a collision. Always secure cargo using the floor-mounted tie-downs.
- 21 Roadside Assistance repairs may involve charges for parts, service and towing. Vehicle must be accessible from main roads. Depending on the circumstance, these services may be provided by an outside provider, courtesy of Mercedes-Benz Roadside Assistance. Restricted roadways, acts of nature and vehicle accessibility may limit our ability to provide services to you. For full details, eligibility requirements, and limitations/exclusions of Sign and Drive services, as well as the Roadside Assistance Program, please see your dealer.
- 22 mbrace is compatible with select Apple iPhone[®] models running iOS 4.2 or later. Visit MBUSA.com/mbrace for more information.
- 23 Available as of October 2011. Factory pre-wiring is not required. See your dealer.
- 24 Each docking station is sold individually for one iPad[®] (iPad device not included) and requires pre-wiring, sold separately. Not available in combination with Rear Seat Entertainment system. Internet connectivity requires In-Vehicle Hotspot and active service, sold separately. iPad Docking Station only charges iPad devices which support USB charging. Available late September 2011. See your dealer.
- 25 Extra-cost option.



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