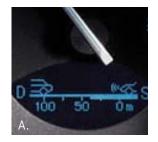


Of all the cars ever created, only a handful have earned the title of icon. Even fewer have maintained their status over time. It's in this rarified air that the one and only SL-Class lives — a remarkable fusion of style and innovation, of performance and luxury. You'll feel it in the thrilling rush of the SL 500's powerful 302-hp V-8, in the indomitable will of the SL 55 AMG's 493-hp supercharged V-8, and in the irrefutable strength of the SL 600's earth-trembling twin-turbo V-12. Indulge in the comfort of an exquisite interior superbly designed for the sport of driving. Touch a button and the retractable aluminium hardtop disappears from view, transforming the SL from secure coupe to exhilarating open-air roadster in seconds. The SL is quite adept at leadership as well: Its advanced Sensotronic brakes are the world's first production electrohydraulic braking system. Its Active Body Control is arguably the most advanced suspension in production. The 2004 SL-Class embodies the collective spirit of every technology Mercedes-Benz has ever pioneered, every race we've ever won, and every heart we've ever touched.

I want to drive







take command of the corners

A. Distronic adaptive cruise control The first of its kind, optional Distronic cruise control monitors the distance to vehicles ahead to help maintain your speed and following distance automatically.1

B. Keyless Go Optional Keyless Go lets you unlock or lock your SL-Class with the touch of the outside door handle. Start-up is equally easy: Put your foot on the brake, tap the top of the gearshift, and you're ready to take off.





The SL 500 glides on striking new 18" 5-spoke aluminium alloy wheels with 255/40 WR18 high-performance tires² in front and 285/35 WR 18s in back. Or, if you prefer even smoother sailing, you can order your SL with the no-charge option of 17" 7-spoke wheels with 255/45 WR 17 high-performance tires.

and stop with absolute confidence everywhere in luxurious comfort

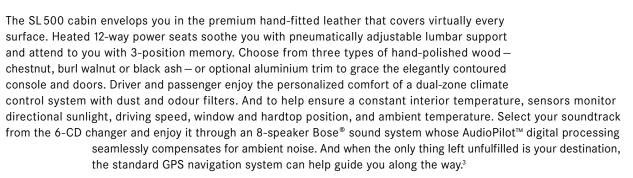
Let's go

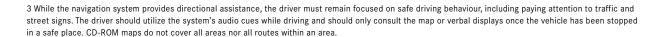
feel the rush of a 302 horsepower V-8

At the intersection where scintillating style and passionate performance meet, you'll find

the incomparable SL 500. Find yourself launched off the line by the undeniable force of a 302-horsepower V-8. And the irresistibly smooth, rapid lure of the first 7-speed automatic transmission ever offered in a sports car. Drive enthusiastically, and this driver-adaptive marvel keeps you at the peak of the torque curve for even quicker response. A more leisurely pace brings improved fuel economy. And when the mood strikes, the manual-style control of Touch Shift is right at hand. The SL 500 offers other avenues of self-expression as well. Its Active Body Control gives you a choice of driving modes – sport, for superb handling virtually free of body roll, or comfort, for times when grand touring is in order. In either mode, you'll appreciate precise stopping control at each wheel with the world's first electrohydraulic braking system – Sensotronic. Never before has technology felt so inspiring, or sheet metal so seductive.













- C. Parktronic The optional Parktronic system helps you detect obstacles that might be outside of your sightlines when parking. When ultrasonic sensors sense objects that are near the front and rear bumpers, audible signals and illuminated displays on the dash and rear-cabin wall help you manoeuvre with confidence.
- **D. Panorama roof** The optional Panorama roof offers an expansive view of the sky, with tinted glass stretching from the windshield to the rear window. And to shield the cabin from the sun, it integrates a retractable mesh sunshade.

SL55 AMG Coupe/Roadster

When the performance experts at AMG aren't designing cars for the racetrack, they're busy building rockets for the road. Consider the supercar nature of the SL55 AMG. Focus on the roar of a 493-hp supercharged V-8, handcrafted by a single technician and precisely balanced to send you hurtling to 100 km/h in 4.7 seconds1 with the instantaneous thunder of 516 lb-ft of torque. Squeeze every ounce of power through the 5-speed automatic transmission's fingertip manual-mode controls, with AMG SpeedShift™ technology. Taunt curves with Active Body Control and Sensotronic brakes – both recalibrated by AMG for even sharper response. And with 8-piston front calipers controlling huge 360-mm discs, you have virtually unflappable stopping power. Your rational side will appreciate the SL 55's superb comfort as well as the muscular looks of the AMG bodywork and 18" wheels with highperformance tires.² And when the side of you that loves to run takes over, the SL55 AMG is more than ready.



with race-bred cornering reflexes

Outrun

the status quo in 4.7 supercar seconds

convention with massive, multi-piston electrohydraulic brakes

your shadow, with 493 handcrafted horsepower

the envious stares









1 Stated rates of acceleration are based upon manufacturer's track results and may vary depending upon model, environmental and road surface conditions, driving style, elevation and vehicle load. 2 Y-rated tires are optimized for performance driving and may provide reduced ride comfort, increased tire noise, substantially increased treadwear and greater susceptibility to damage compared with H-rated tires.



Hunkering down into the SL55's dynamic multicontour sport seats wrapped in perforated leather puts you in the middle of the action. You have a starring role, embraced by pneumatically adjustable side bolsters, thigh supports and dual lumbar supports, all focusing their attention on your comfort. There's even a massage feature to loosen your muscles in preparation for the tight corners ahead. On the steering wheel, fingertip manual shift buttons sit within quick striking distance for an added degree of influence over the red needles streaking across unique silver-faced AMG gauges. Turn the ignition and lean the SL55's accelerator into the AMG-badged floor mat. It's time to take this show on the road.

AMG badges and stainless-steel door sills stamped with AMG insignia add a dynamic feel to the SL 55 interior. The cool metallic look extends from a silver-accented instrument cluster to the castfinish aluminium trim of the centre console and doors. Or choose from one of three rich hand-polished woods — chestnut, burl walnut or black ash.







From head to toe, the V-12 SL 600 is an experience unto itself. Subtly embossed head restraints serve as a fitting reminder of the engine's prodigious power. At your feet lie plush floor mats emblazoned with a V-12 plaque. And at your hands, the pleasant feel of a steering wheel and shift knob covered in fine Nappa leather and rich, hand-polished wood.

With power comes privilege. The SL 600 furthers the definition of ultimate success, with Exclusive Nappa leather hand-fitted

to almost everything that touches you, including the heated 12-way power-adjustable seats. Luxurious Alcantara lines the retractable hardtop, while elegant hand-polished wood trims the steering wheel, shift knob and console. Well-deserved comfort is yours with dynamic multicontour seats that pneumatically adjust to your preferred levels of support, and can even relax you with a soothing massage. Miniature fans within each seat circulate air through perforations in the upholstery. You'll also enjoy the convenience of a stylish Motorola V60i™ digital portable phone with a voice control system that lets you place a call or adjust the sound system simply by speaking. The COMAND system even automatically mutes the sound system's volume or pauses the CD the moment you receive an incoming call. Go ahead and relax. You've already paid your dues.





SL 500 shown with optional Keyless Go and AMG Sport Package.

Curves in all the right places

Your SL 500 or SL 600 takes on an even more impressive physique with the optional AMG Sport Package. You can't help but stare at the seductive contours of its athletic form. At the front, an AMG-design front air dam houses mesh air intakes. Attractive side sills lead your eyes down the length of the body to the sculpted AMG-design rear apron. New staggered-width 18" 5-hole wheels — inspired by the

Vision SLR show car—wrapped in 255/40 R18 high-performance tires¹ in front and 285/35 R18s in back accentuate the SL's ideal proportions and inspired performance. Needless to say, an SL equipped with the AMG Sport Package is great in the curves. Even when it's standing still.

1 W-rated and Y-rated tires are optimized for performance driving and may provide reduced ride comfort, increased tire noise, substantially increased treadwear and greater susceptibility to damage compared with H-rated tires.



Exclusive Expressive Exquisite

designo

For some, the style and elegance of the legendary SL would be satisfaction enough. For those

demanding more, we offer the rare beauty of *designo*. Open your eyes to exclusive *designo* exterior colours, and explore a bountiful landscape of choices in sumptuous hand-fitted Nappa leather and richly detailed, hand-polished wood trim. From the embossed head restraints to the leather-trimmed floor mats at your feet, *designo* represents a return to old-world craftsmanship and the attention to detail that only Mercedes-Benz offers.



Confidence to make every corner

The SL's harmony of self-assured cornering and a relaxed ride is rooted in an extremely well-balanced independent multilink suspension featuring four links at each front wheel and five links at each rear wheel. Adding to your composure is Active Body Control (ABC) — perhaps the most advanced active suspension in production — and the sophisticated cornering technology of our Electronic Stability Program (ESP).¹ Responsive rack-and-pinion steering includes speed-sensitive power assist. All serve to give the SL incredible poise, whether you find yourself in the throes of a hairpin turn or the expanse of an endless straightaway.

1 No system, no matter how sophisticated, can repeal the laws of physics or overcome careless driving actions. Please always wear your seat belt. 2 Braking effectiveness also depends on proper brake system maintenance, and tire and road conditions. Illustration is not intended to demonstrate actual reduction in stopping distance.

Stopping power



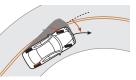
The legions of SL horsepower are quickly tamed with advanced Sensotronic braking, emergency-sensing Brake Assist and an Antilock Braking System standing guard for smarter stopping. Every SL combines racing-inspired hardware with innovative electrohydraulic technology. First we pioneered ABS, then Brake Assist, and now, Sensotronic. Let the automotive world take notice. The next revolution in braking has begun.





ACTIVE BODY CONTROL

It was a very special partnership with Formula One racing that led to the development of Active Body Control. Fortunately, you no longer need to be a racecar driver to benefit from the technology. With ABC, body lean and brake dive become almost nonexistent, while ride comfort flourishes. Choose the sport mode via a switch on the console for even sharper handling response and virtually flat cornering. Even raise or lower the ride height for greater ground clearance or improved aerodynamic efficiency. Whatever the driving conditions, whatever your mood, ABC is capable of meeting your desires.



ELECTRONIC STABILITY PROGRAM

Your outlook for every corner, come rain or shine, improves dramatically with the technology of ESP working for you behind the scenes. ESP constantly monitors your steering and braking inputs through a curve, and calculates whether your SL is following your intended path. Should the vehicle deviate, ESP instantly acts to restore control by braking individual wheels and/or reducing excess engine torque. Whether it's a tight corner or a slippery stretch of asphalt, ESP helps you stay in command of the road.

BRAKE ASSIST

Mercedes-Benz research has shown that drivers tend not to apply the brakes hard enough, soon enough, in an emergency. To help overcome this tendency, our engineers developed Brake Assist. By sensing panic stopping based on the speed at which you depress the brake pedal, Brake Assist automatically applies all available power braking boost immediately. By helping to eliminate the delay caused by human nature, Brake Assist can potentially reduce your overall stopping distance when it matters most?

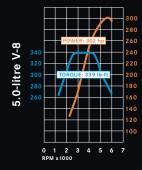
SENSOTRONIC BRAKE CONTROL

The future of automotive braking technology is here. With electronic control of high-pressure hydraulics, Sensotronic automatically determines the most effective braking force to apply at each wheel, adding up to better handling and stopping composure. Turn on the windshield wipers, and Sensotronic periodically and imperceptibly applies the brakes to keep them drier and ready for action. Sensotronic can even respond before you touch the brake pedal. Lift your foot off the accelerator quickly, and Sensotronic sets the brake pads closer to the discs for instant response.

Strength in numbers

Count on an exhilarating rush every time you experience the powerful acceleration of an SL. Feel the unmistakable rumble of the SL 500's

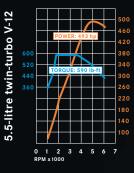
eight cylinders reverberating through your soul, or the SL 600's exotic dance of 12 cylinders in perfect rhythm. In each engine, power is refined through an efficient 3-valve-per-cylinder design, with integrated fuel injection and twin-spark ignition. Drive with a sense of urgency, and an adaptive accelerator provides even quicker throttle response. There are many superlatives that can be used to describe the performance of the SL, but we'll allow the numbers to speak for themselves.



SL 500 V-8

The throaty growl of the SL 500's 5.0-litre V-8 signals the presence of 302 healthy horses and a prodigious 339 lb-ft of torque at just 2,700 rpm. And, as you soar cleanly from apex to apex, you'll have the reassurance of

knowing that the SL 500 was the first lowemission V-8 sports car.



SL 600 TWIN-TURBO V-12

Fly from 0 to 100 in a scant 4.7 seconds³ and feel your appreciation for head restraints grow. Twin intercooled turbochargers force compressed air into the SL 600's 5.5-litre V-12 engine to produce an

incredible 493 hp and an almost unfathomable 590 lb-ft of torque at a mere 1,800 rpm.



3 Stated rates of acceleration are based upon manufacturer's track results and may vary depending upon model, environmental and road surface conditions, driving style, elevation and vehicle load.



5-SPEED AND 7-SPEED TRANSMISSIONS

In the SL 600, V-12 power is transplanted to the wheels through our driver-adaptive 5-speed automatic transmission, while the SL 500 boasts huge news: It's the first sports car ever with a 7-speed automatic gear changes are not only smoother, but quicker as well, allowing the SL 500 to spend more time at the peak of its torque curve. Both transmissions feature the hands-on control of Touch Shift, which lets you make manual-style downshifts and allow upshifts by tapping the shift lever left or right from Drive. Or hold the shifter to the left, and the transmission will automatically preselect the optimum gear for maximum acceleration.



Stressed for success. The structural formula for the SL starts with an impressive list of individual ingredients: high-strength/low-alloy steel in critical areas, a heavy-gauge-steel pop-up roll bar, and an extremely rigid laser-welded variable-thickness floorpan. Add in legendary Mercedes-Benz engineering expertise, and the result is an integrated vehicle structure that gives you a tremendous sense of safety and security, as well as precise handling and a controlled ride.



☐ HIGH-STRENGTH/LOW-ALLOY STEEL
HSLA steel is used in critical areas
throughout the body to create
an exceptionally rigid structure,
minimizing chassis flex for improved
handling and integrity.

as strong as steel

☐ ELECTRONIC STABILITY
PROGRAM (ESP)
In corners, ESP helps to detect
and correct oversteer
(fishtailing) or understeer
(plowing) by selectively applying
the brakes to one or more
wheels and/or by reducing
excess engine power.¹





Reinforced crossmembers, doors and door sills are part of an integrated safety structure that affords formidable protection against side impacts.

☐ FRONT/SIDE AIR BAGS

Driver and passenger are each provided with a front air bag with dual-stage inflation as well as the additional protection of door-mounted head/thorax side-impact air bags. The driver is also provided with a knee air bag.²



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1 No system, no matter how sophisticated, can repeal the laws of physics or overcome careless driving actions. Please always wear your seat belt.

UNDER AGE 13. A CHILD UNDER 13 MUST NOT BE A PASSENGER IN THIS VEHICLE UNLESS THE CHILD IS BELTED INTO AN APPROPRIATE, PROPERLY INSTALLED BABYSMART-COMPATIBLE CHILD SEAT. SEE OPERATOR'S MANUAL FOR ADDITIONAL WARNINGS AND INFORMATION ON AIR BAGS, SEAT BELTS AND CHILD SEATS. At time of press, the toddler seat (for children 9-18 kg) is not approved for use in Canada.

3 The roll bar system is designed to enhance the level of rollover protection compared to an open vehicle without one. No system, no matter how sophisticated, can eliminate the chance of injury in an accident. Please always wear your seat belt.

5 First year's monitoring provided at no cost with subscription. Subscription is required for service to be active. Tele Aid operates only where cellular and Global Positioning System coverage are available.

A sense of security

surrounds you

☐ POP-UP ROLL BAR

Behind the driver, an automatic pop-up roll bar made from heavy-gauge steel stands ready to deploy in 0.3 second if sensors detect an impending rollover or if the vehicle sustains a front, side or rear impact of sufficient severity.³

At Mercedes-Benz, we take an integrated approach to safety engineering, reflecting a desire to build vehicles that optimize both the driver's ability to avoid an accident and the car's potential for protecting all on board should an impact occur. The SL's robust structure and advanced safety technologies allow it to pass our rigorous battery of no fewer than 28 different crash tests—more than any single government currently requires. Standard safety features, including our Electronic Stability Program (ESP), traction control and emergency-sensing Brake Assist, can be appreciated every day. Others—including dual front and side-impact air bags, seat-belt Emergency Tensioning Devices (ETDs) and belt force limiters—you may never experience. But in any case, you can rest assured knowing that these sentinels of safety will be on guard for you.

☐ ADVANCED CRUMPLE ZONES
In a frontal impact, full-width
crossmembers and an ellipsoidal
bulkhead help transfer some impact
energy around the cabin for added
protection. In the rear, a full-width
aluminium crossmember contributes
to increased strength and better
energy absorption in rear impacts.

EMERGENCY TENSIONING DEVICES AND BELT FORCE LIMITERS

In either a front or rear impact exceeding a preset threshold of severity, ETDs remove seat-belt slack to help hold you in place. Belt force limiters help reduce the peak deceleration forces on belted occupants.

Air bag security. Every SL offers the comprehensive protection of five standard air bags. No other class competitor offers more. It starts with dual-stage front air bags that vary their inflation rates in response to impact severity.

To help protect you in side impacts, every SL also comes with innovative door-mounted head/thorax side-impact air bags. And a driver's knee air bag provides cushioning to help protect the driver's legs in a collision that exceeds the system's deployment threshold.²

□ BRAKE ASSIST

Complementing the antilock brakes, Brake Assist can sense a panic stop and automatically apply all available power brake boost instantly, potentially reducing stopping distances.⁴

☐ SOS BUTTON

Should an air bag or Emergency Tensioning Device (ETD) deploy, the system automatically initiates an SOS call to summon help to your location.⁵

only a Mercedes can provide

ACCELERATION SLIP CONTROL

Acceleration Slip Control helps reduce wheelspin during hard acceleration or on slippery road surfaces.



Customer care

This is a page full of ownership benefits that accompany your Mercedes-Benz. A page
no other carmaker can duplicate. For every benefit you see here, we've got experienced
and knowledgeable people to support you. And driving a Mercedes keeps all of this
as close as your local dealer and as convenient as a phone call to 1-800-387-0100.

24-HOUR ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE

During the basic warranty coverage of 48 months and the time duration of the optional Extended Limited Warranty, Mercedes-Benz Roadside Assistance will be at your service. We'll bring you some gas, replace a flat tire with your spare, or jump-start your car. In the event of a mechanical breakdown, if attempts by our Roadside Assistance technician have not made your vehicle safely operable, towing service will be provided to the nearest Mercedes-Benz dealership. Assistance is available 24 hours a day, every day, to anyone driving a Mercedes-Benz anywhere in Canada or the continental U.S.¹

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Owning a Mercedes-Benz means that when you have a question, we're here to help. Our Customer Service Centre is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday, and is staffed with knowledgeable Mercedes-Benz people who can talk you through the finer points of working your car's audio system — or even assist you in locating the nearest Mercedes-Benz dealership. Just call 1-800-387-0100. It's that simple.

GENUINE MERCEDES-BENZ PARTS

Your dealer has access to a vast inventory of parts for both new and vintage Mercedes-Benz vehicles. And we've made a nationwide effort to encourage our dealers to keep parts and labour prices competitive with those of independent garages.

MERCEDES-BENZ WARRANTIES

The Mercedes-Benz New Car Limited Warranty covers defects in materials or workmanship for 48 months or 80,000 km, whichever occurs first. Major components such as the engine, transmission, drivetrain, fuel and cooling systems, steering and brakes are covered for 5 years or 120,000 km. To widen your window of confidence, you can opt for a Mercedes-Benz Extended Limited Warranty as well.²

TRIP INTERRUPTION REIMBURSEMENT

If a breakdown covered by your New Car Limited Warranty occurs more than 80 km from your home, leaves your Mercedes-Benz vehicle inoperable or unsafe to drive, and requires overnight repairs, we've got you covered. You will be reimbursed up to \$500 for hotel accommodations and up to \$600 for alternate travel expenses per incident while your car is being repaired at an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealership.

WEAR AND TEAR COVERAGE

For 24 months or 40,000 km (whichever comes first) many items normally considered "wear and tear," such as light bulbs, wiper blade refills, and brake pads and discs, are covered. If necessary, an authorized Mercedes dealer will replace these parts at no charge to you.

TIME FOR BASIC MAINTENANCE? ASK YOUR MERCEDES.

No two drivers are the same. That's why the Flexible Service System in your Mercedes monitors certain indicators of oil condition, engine loads, rpm, operating temperatures and your driving habits to determine when basic maintenance is really necessary.³ Then a display on the dash reminds you to contact your Mercedes-Benz dealer for an appointment. So you can spend less time servicing your Mercedes and more time enjoying your life.

ALTERNATE TRANSPORTATION

Your life doesn't have to get put on hold just because it's time for service or maintenance on your car. That's why your Mercedes-Benz dealer always endeavours to provide you with alternate transportation when you drop off your vehicle for service.⁴

1 Vehicle must be accessible from main roads. Emergency Roadside Assistance may involve charges for parts, service and towing. Depending on the circumstances, assistance may come from an outside service provider, courtesy of Mercedes-Benz Emergency Roadside Assistance. For full details of Emergency Roadside Assistance and Trip Interruption coverage, please see your dealer. For the SL 55 AMG, which has no spare tire, Roadside Assistance will attempt to reinflate a flat tire after using the vehicle's Tirefit puncture sealant. 2 Please see your dealer for warranty details as well as for terms, conditions and pricing for extended warranty options. 3 Maintenance items are identified in the Service Booklet for each model. Driver is responsible for monitoring fluid levels and tire pressures between service visits. Limitations apply. 4 Certain restrictions may apply. Terms, conditions and dealer participation may vary. 5 First year's monitoring provided at no cost with subscription. Subscription is required for service to be active. Tele Aid operates only where cellular and Global Positioning System coverage are available.

Enlightened in-car communications



Tele Aid puts three buttons in your SL-Class that can give you a direct connection with Mercedes-Benz support and people who specialize in knowing the right answers and knowing what to do when it comes to helping preserve your schedule, your sanity, and maybe even your safety.⁵

i-BUTTON

The Tele Aid *i*-button lets you talk directly to our Customer Service Centre, where trained Mercedes-Benz representatives can answer questions you may have about your vehicle. Everything from "How do I replace the battery in my remote key?" to "Where's the nearest dealer?" Just press the button and we'll be there to help out.



SOS BUTTON

Whether you need emergency assistance or see someone who does, push the Tele Aid SOS button. In a matter of moments, you'll be in touch with emergency response personnel who'll already know the location of your SL and can summon police, paramedics or other assistance to you. And if an air bag or seat-belt Emergency Tensioning Device deploys, the Tele Aid system will call for emergency help automatically, even if you can't push the button.



WRENCH BUTTON

You're miles from nowhere and you have a flat, run out of fuel or see a warning lamp. The wrench button gives you a one-touch voice link to Mercedes-Benz Roadside Assistance. Tele Aid can automatically tell us the model and location of your SL. Our staff will talk you through the trouble or, if necessary, dispatch a Roadside Assistance vehicle to your precise location.¹

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Mercedes-Benz Customer Care, Service First and more – including the history of Mercedes-Benz.

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SL-Class specifications

Shoulder room 54.0 in/1,372 mm

top down 7.3 cu ft/206 litres

57.8 cu ft/1,637 litres

10.2 cu ft/288 litres

Cabin capacity

Trunk capacity, top up

54.0 in/1,372 mm

57.8 cu ft/1,637 litres

11.2 cu ft/317 litres

8.3 cu ft/235 litres

54.0 in/1,372 mm

57.8 cu ft/1,637 litres

10.2 cu ft/288 litres

7.3 cu ft/206 litres

ENGINE AND DRIVETRAIN	SL 500 COUPE/ROADS	TER		SL55 AM	G COUPE/ROADSTER	SL 600 COUPE/ROADSTER		
Engine	4,966-cc SOHC 24-valve 9 alloy cylinder block. Alloy h	90° V-8. High-pressure die-ca neads.	ist	90° V-8. H	MG-built intercooled supercharged SOHC 24-valve igh-pressure die-cast alloy cylinder block. Reinforced and valvetrain. Alloy heads. Lightweight camshafts.	5,513-cc intercooled twin-turbocharged SOHC 36-valve 60° V-12. Two-piece high-pressure die-cast alloy cylinder block. Alloy heads and pistons. Die-cast magnesium cylinder head covers.		
Net power Net torque Compression ratio	302 hp @ 5,600 rpm 339 lb-ft @ 2,700-4,250 rp 10.0:1				5,100 rpm 2,750-4,000 rpm	493 hp @ 5,000 rpm 590 lb-ft @ 1,800–3,500 rpm 9.0:1		
Fuel and ignition system								
Intake system	Magnesium 2-stage resonance intake manifold increases intake runner length at lower rpm for improved response.			Helical hig	gh-pressure supercharger with liquid-to-air intercooler.	Twin turbochargers (one per cylinder bank, integrated in exhaust manifolds) with liquid-to-air intercoolers.		
Transmission	Driver-adaptive electronic 7-speed automatic . Driver-adaptive electronic 5-speed automatic . Driver-adaptive electronic 5-speed automatic . Touch Shift allows driver to manually downshift and allow upshifts by nudging the shift lever left or right from the Drive position. Shift into Optimum Gear programming allows one-touch selection of the best gear for maximum acceleration engine braking by holding the shift lever to the left of Drive for one second. Driver-selectable comfort mode starts vehicle moving in 2nd gear or a second Reverse gear, and upshifts at lower rpm, to help improve control on slippery sur							
AMG SpeedShift and manual mode (SL55 AMG only)								
Rear axle ratio	2.82:1 2.8			2.82:1		2.65:1		
Electronic Stability Program (ESP) and Acceleration Slip Control (ASR)								
RFORMANCE								
Acceleration, 0-100 km/h ²	6.1 seconds (2003 figure. See your dealer.) 4.3			4.7 second	ls	4.7 seconds		
Fuel economy, city – highway estimate ³	9 ,			16.6 - 10.3	<i>l/</i> 100 km	18.4 –11.6 <i>l</i> /100 km		
HASSIS								
Suspension with	Independent 4-link front /	independent 5-arm multilink	rear Standard AF	RC an activ	a suspansion system utilizes a coil spring and an electronical	y controlled hydraulic cylinder in series, plus a separate gas-pressurized shock absorber		
Active Body Control (ABC)	at each wheel. Using a tota	al system pressure of up to 2,9	900 psi, ABC contir	nually adjust	s each wheel's suspension to counteract vibration, pitch, dive, s	quat and roll. ABC also provides automatic 4-wheel level control, driver-selectable per handling response. (System is AMG-enhanced on SL55 AMG.)		
Steering	Rack-and-pinion with vehicle-speed-sensitive power assist and integrated hydraulic da			hydraulic d	lamper. Steering wheel turns: 2.6 lock-to-lock. Turning circle: 36.2 ft/11.0 m curb-to-curb.			
Wheels, aluminium-alloy, standard no-charge option with optional Sport Package	5-spoke design. 8.5Jx 18 front — 9.5Jx 18 rear. 7-spoke design. 7.5Jx 17 front and rear. Turbine-style 5-hole design. 8.5Jx 18 front — 9.5Jx 18 rear.				ispoke design. 8.5Jx18 front—9.5Jx18 rear. thin-spoke monoblock. 8.5Jx18 front—9.5Jx18 rear. ole.	Tapered 5-spoke design. 8.5Jx 18 front – 9.5Jx 18 rear. Not available. Turbine-style 5-hole design. 8.5Jx 18 front – 9.5Jx 18 rear.		
Tires , steel-belted radial, standard no-charge option with optional Sport Package	255/45 R17 98W front and rear, high-performance.5				3 95Y front – 285/35 R18 97Y rear, high-performance. ⁵ 3 95Y front – 285/35 R18 97Y rear, high-performance. ⁵ ble.	255/40 R18 95Y front — 285/35 R18 97Y rear, high-performance. ⁵ Not available. 255/40 R18 95Y front — 285/35 R18 97Y rear, high-performance. ⁵		
Spare tire					ole. Tirefit puncture sealant and portable electric ssor are provided.	Collapsible compact limited-use tire on lightweight wheel, with portable electric air compressor.		
Brake system, 4-circuit	normal braking, emergency	y stopping and ESP operation.	1 Soft Stop precise	ely modulate	es brake pressure as the car approaches a stop during normal b	meters. Sensotronic more precisely controls brake pressure at each wheel during raking. Automatic brake drying applies the brakes lightly and briefly based on windshield r the discs when the driver quickly releases the accelerator, for faster brake response.		
Brake discs and calipers, front rear	330-mm perforated and int 300-mm internally ventilate	ternally ventilated/4-piston fized/single-piston sliding.	xed.		erforated and internally ventilated/AMG 8-piston fixed. erforated and internally ventilated/AMG 4-piston fixed.	360-mm perforated and internally ventilated/8-piston fixed. 330-mm internally ventilated/4-piston fixed.		
Antilock Braking System (ABS) and Brake Assist	ABS senses impending wheel lockup under heavy braking and pumps the front brakes individually or the rear brakes together (to help maintain stability) as needed up to 30 times per second, to prevent lockup and maintain steering ability. Sensotronic eliminates the pedal pulsation commonly associated with conventional brake systems and ABS. Brake Assist senses emergency braking via the speed at which the driver presses the brake pedal and immediately applies maximum available power boost, potentially reducing the overall stopping distance by helping to eliminate the delay caused by a common human tendency not to brake hard enough, soon enough. Letting up on the brake pedal releases Brake Assist.							
XTERIOR DIMENSIONS	SL 500	SL55 AMG	SL 600					
Wheelbase Overall length Overall height Overall width	100.8 in/2,560 mm 178.5 in/4,535 mm	100.8 in/2,560 mm 178.5 in/4,535 mm 51.0 in/1,295 mm, top up 72.0 in/1,827 mm	100.8 in/2,560 r 178.5 in/4,535 n	nm n, top up		e laws of physics or overcome careless driving actions. Please always wear your seat belt. urer's track results and may vary depending upon model, environmental and road surface		
Track , front rear	61.4 in/1,559 mm 60.5 in/1,537 mm	61.8 in/1,569 mm 61.1 in/1,551 mm	61.4 in/1,559 mr 60.5 in/1,537 m	n	conditions, driving style, elevation and vehicle load. 3 2004 Natural Resources Canada Fuel Consumption Guide ratings. Ratings are submitted to Transport Canada by the vehicle manufacturer, who certifies that the tests and calculations were carried out according to approved Transport Canada test methods. Transport Canada then verifies the accuracy of the data before the Fuel Consumption Guide is published. 4 Please obey local speed laws.			
Coefficient of drag	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0.30, top up	0.29, top up		·	y of the data before the <i>Fuel Consumption Guide</i> is published. 4 Please obey local speed laws se driving and may provide reduced ride comfort, increased tire noise, substantially increased		
Curb weight		4,235 lb/1,920 kg	4,429 lb/2,010 k	g	treadwear and greater susceptibility to damage compared with H-rated tires. 6 Braking effectiveness also depends on proper brake system maintenance,			
TERIOR DIMENSIONS	. , ,	. , ,		-		G Sport Package. See Optional Equipment listing at right. 8 When so equipped. 9 First year		
Headroom	37.7 in/957 mm, top up	37.7 in/957 mm, top up	37.7 in/957 mm	ton un		iption is required for service to be active. Tele Aid operates only where cellular and Global authorize stolen vehicle tracking and file a police report. 10 CD-ROM maps do not cover all		
Legroom Shoulder room	42.9 in/1,089 mm	42.9 in/1,089 mm	42.9 in/1,089 mi	m	areas nor all routes within an area. One regional CD-ROM is included with vehicle. 11 WARNING: THE FORCES OF A DEPLOYING AIR BAG CAN CAUSE SERIOUS OR FATAL INJURY TO A CHILD UNDER AGE 13. A CHILD UNDER 13 MUST NOT BE A PASSENGER IN THIS VEHICLE UNLESS THE CHILD IS BELTED INTO AN			

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SL 500 SL 55 AMG SL 600	EXTERIOR FEATURES	SL 500 SL 55 AMG SL 600	SL-Class standard and optional equipment
• • •		•	
	,,,,,	•	Hand-fitted premium leather upholstery on seats, head restraints, dash, console, doors, armrests, roll bar and rear cabin panels. Leather-trimmed steering wheel and shift knob. Stainless-steel door sill trim.
	Pneumatic trunk closing assist. Double-hinged trunk lid opens at front for top retraction and at rear for access to cargo area. Easy-Pack system tilts up folded roof at the touch of a button for easier access to trunk compartment.	- • -	0
• • •			console. Alcantara covering instrument hood, ceiling and sun visors. AMG-design leather-trimmed sport steering wheel with
	Titanium Grey grille with four ribs.		raised thumbgrips and fingertip shift controls. Leather-trimmed shift knob. Stainless-steel door sill trim with AMG insignia.
•	, ,	•	Exclusive leather interior treatment with glove-soft Nappa leather hand-fitted to seats, head restraints, dash, console, doors,
07 • 07			armrests, roll bar and rear cabin panels. Colour-keyed top-stitching on doors, dash and console. Alcantara covering ceiling
• • •	Dual chrome exhaust tips (four polished stainless-steel exhaust tips on SL55 AMG).		and sun visors. Leather and wood trimmed steering wheel and shift knob. Stainless-steel door sill trim.
•	Xenon High Intensity Discharge low-beam headlamps with halogen high beams and heated washers.	•	Hand-polished chestnut, burl walnut or black ash wood trim, or aluminium trim, on console and doors.
0 • •			Cast-finish aluminium trim on console and doors (chestnut, burl walnut or black ash wood optional at no extra charge).
• • •	Halogen front foglamps. Single red rear foglamp, integrated in left taillamp cluster.	- 0 •	Hand-polished chestnut, burl walnut or black ash wood trim on console and doors.
		• • •	Velour carpeting and floor mats.
• • •			AUDIO, NAVIGATION AND COMMUNICATIONS
• - •	Monochromatic red rear lamp covers with dual-intensity LED brake lamps and taillamps.		COMAND Cockpit Management and Data system integrates: GPS satellite navigation system. AM/FM stereo/weatherband radio.
	Red and smoke-colour rear lamp covers with dual-intensity LED brake lamps and taillamps.		In-dash single-CD player/CD-ROM drive. Controls for 6-disc CD changer and phone. Colour-LCD in-dash screen.
• • •	Touch Turn Signals flash three times with one touch of turn-signal lever, for lane-changing.		
• • •	Dual power mirrors, linked to driver's seat memory and automatically heated. Auto-dimming left-side mirror. Parking-assist		Fibre-optic network offers precise, high-speed communication among components.
	right-side mirror can be programmed to tilt down upon shifting to Reverse.		
• • •	Electrically heated rear window with auto-shutoff based on time, driving speed and outside temperature.		processing monitors sound in the cabin and helps compensate for unwanted noise with no perceived change in audio volume.
• • •	Dual aero-blade windshield wipers. Heated washer nozzles, lines and reservoir. Heated wiper parking position. Infrared rain	• • •	In-dash navigation system uses Global Positioning System (GPS) satellites to determine the current location of your vehicle,
	sensor automatically adjusts intermittent wiper frequency based on amount of rainfall measured on windshield.		and map databases on CD-ROM. ¹⁰
	LOCKING AND SECURITY	0 0 •	
	SmartKey remote central locking system with rolling-code signal for protection from transmitter cloning. SmartKey uses an	• • •	Tele Aid uses GPS satellites to determine the current location of your car, plus a cellular link to provide 24-hour contact with
	electronic code to unlock the gearshift and ignition. Removing SmartKey from ignition disables engine computer.		Mercedes-Benz for emergency aid (SOS button), information (i-button) or Roadside Assistance (wrench button). Tele Aid also
• • •	SmartKey remote control integrates door lock/unlock buttons, trunk opener, removable valet key, and panic alarm. Driver may		includes Automatic Collision Notification, Automatic Alarm Notification, stolen vehicle tracking, and remote keyless unlocking?
	selectively unlock only the driver's door and fuel filler, or both doors plus the trunk and fuel filler. SmartKey offers infrared-		INSTRUMENTATION
	remote opening/closing of windows, remote raising and lowering of hardtop, and remote turn-on of Active Ventilated seats.8		Electronic analogue speedometer, tachometer and gauges for fuel level and coolant temperature. Digital clock and display of
	Driver-programmable user-recognition feature: Each SmartKey (up to three users per car) recalls memory features for driver's		Touch Shift gear selection and shift mode. Automatic illumination of displays and controls based on ambient light.
	seat, outside mirrors and power steering column position, plus various climate control settings, for its assigned driver.	• - •	
• • •		- • -	AMG-design instrument cluster with silver gauge faces, white backlighting and illuminated red indicators.
• • •		• • •	
	lighting helps light a return path when car is remote-unlocked in darkness. Unlocking car activates illuminated entry system.		display various menus and vehicle features: Odometer and resettable trip meter. Outside temperature indicator. Flexible
	Automatic antitheft alarm system with towaway protection, remote panic feature, and automatic notification via Tele Aid.9 Emergency trunk release, located inside trunk and illuminated for 60 minutes after trunk lid is closed.		Service System, tire pressure,8 engine oil-level check, and digital speedometer. Radio station, CD disc/track. Navigation
0 0 0	Integrated 3-button garage door control, compatible with HomeLink® components and some other systems.		route guidance. Distronic cruise control settings. Vehicle reminder and malfunction messages. Driver-programmable
			settings for instruments, lighting, vehicle and convenience features. Trip computer. Cellular phone book.8
	INTERIOR FEATURES	• • •	0
• • •	Multifunction steering wheel with controls for basic functions of audio system and phone, and for multifunction display.		conditions, some indicators of oil condition, and engine loads, rpm and operating temperatures.
	Fingertip manual shift buttons behind steering-wheel spokes.		Parktronic audio-visual parking assistance system uses sound waves to help detect nearby obstacles at parking speeds.
• • •	Power windows, with one-touch express-up/down and one-touch operation of all four windows via power top control.		RESTRAINT SYSTEMS
• • •	4-way (tilt/telescoping) power steering column, linked to driver's seat memory. Driver-programmable easy-exit feature.	• • •	Integrated Restraint System: Driver and passenger are each provided with a front air bag, a door-mounted side-impact head/thorax
• • •	Electronic cruise control with digital readout of selected speed in multifunction display upon engagement.		air bag, and a 3-point seat belt with Emergency Tensioning Device (ETD) and belt force limiter. ¹¹ Driver is also provided with a
• • •	Auto-dimming rearview mirror, with position linked to driver's seat memory. Dual illuminated vanity mirrors (in sun visors).		knee air bag. Adaptive dual-stage front air bags are deployed in response to impact severity. Occupancy sensor prevents the
• • •	Automatic low-intensity environmental comfort lighting of the centre console, door handles and footwells.		passenger's air bags from deploying if the seat is unoccupied. An ETD will not deploy if seat belt is unfastened.
• • •	Dual reading lamps. Courtesy lamps with programmable fade-out time. Entrance lamps in both doors.	• • •	······································
• • •		• • •	Selectable seat-belt retractor for passenger seat, to help secure a child seat. ¹¹ Seat belts are attached to seat frames at all
• • •	Glovebox and compartment underneath centre armrest are illuminated and include climate-control air outlets. Enclosed door		three points. Shoulder belts height-adjust automatically.
	pockets. Carpeted shelf behind seats with retractable luggage straps. Dual storage compartments beneath luggage shelf. Remote-locking car automatically locks all of these compartments, for added convenience when parking with the top down.	• • •	Head restraints height-adjust automatically as seats move fore-aft, and are power-adjustable for height and manually fore-aft. Pop-up roll bar: If sensors detect an imminent rollover, a high-strength steel roll bar automatically deploys in 0.3 second.
			Driver can also raise and retract the roll bar electrically via a console control. ¹²
	CLIMATE CONTROL		Driver can also raise and retract the roll bar electrically via a console control.
• • •	100% CFC-free dual-zone automatic climate control. Individual left and right electronic controls for temperature and airflow		OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT
	direction, with dual automatic modes. Seat-belt usage sensors allow climate control to focus first on occupied seating	0 0 0	Panorama roof: A tinted glass retractable hardtop with manually retractable internal sunshade.
	positions. Climate control also compensates for driving speed, window and hardtop positions, and ambient temperature.	0 • •	Bi-Xenon High Intensity Discharge low-beam and high-beam headlamps.
• • •	,,	0	17" 7-spoke wheels with 255/45R17 98W high-performance tires ⁵ (no extra charge).
	sensor helps reduce window fogging during humid weather, and helps prevent overdrying of cooled air.		18" AMG ultrathin-spoke wheels (no extra charge).
• • •	_ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Keyless Go vehicle entry and starting system.
	keep cabin warmer using residual heat for up to 30 minutes after car is turned off.		Distronic adaptive cruise control.
	SEATING AND TRIM		Active Ventilated seats with 8 internal fans plus heating feature.
• • •	Heated 12-way power seats, each with pneumatic lumbar support and 3-position memory. Driver's seat memory includes steering		Dynamic multicontour seatbacks.
	column and all three rearview mirror positions. Memory stations are linked to each SmartKey's user-recognition feature.		Leather and wood trimmed steering wheel and shift knob (not available with aluminium interior trim).
- • -			Heated steering wheel (not available with <i>designo</i> interior trim).
0 0 •	Active Ventilated seats with 8 internal fans plus heating feature.	0 0 0	Integrated Motorola V60i™ tri-band digital portable telephone, with voice control system for phone and audio system features.
0 • •	 Dynamic multicontour seatbacks with pneumatic side bolsters, shoulder supports and lumbar supports, and massage feature. 		COMAND nationwide navigation map collection (10 CD-ROMs for all of the mapped Canada and U.S.). ¹⁰
• • •			Parktronic parking assistance system.
			Onboard tire-pressure monitoring system can display inflation pressure of all four mounted tires via the multifunction display. AMC Sport Parkers AMC design equation from side sills and year agree (stondard on \$1.55 AMC). Four storages of
● STANDAR	RD OPTIONAL - NOT AVAILABLE	0 - 0	AMG Sport Package: AMG-design sculpted front air dam, side sills and rear apron (standard on SL55 AMG). Four staggered- width 18" turbine-style 5-hole wheels with high-performance tires. ⁵
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