



# **EXPLORER**

**NEW FOR 2006**



**The Best Explorer Ever**

# 2006 Explorer matters most

## POWER.

**More V-8 muscle** — the new 4.6L SOHC 3-valve Triton™ V-8 engine delivers 53 more horsepower and 18 lb.-ft. more torque than the previous 4.6L 2-valve V-8 as well as a quieter and smoother ride.



**Smooth power delivery** — the first-in-class\* 6-speed automatic overdrive transmission is smooth-shifting and dependable, with low noise, vibration and harshness (NVH).

**Bold new front end** — redesigned front grille, bumper, headlamps and fog lamps.



**The foundation of a great ride** — new, stiffer, fully boxed frame contributes to controlled handling and quietness, reliability and durability.

**More capable** — Improved brakes help increase stopping confidence and can tow up to 7300 lbs. (when properly equipped).

**Confident driving experience** — independent rear suspension provides a smoother and more responsive ride than a solid rear axle.

\* Mid-sized SUV

## SAFETY.

**Class-Exclusive Intelligent Safety System** — tailors the driver and front passenger airbag deployment to the specific needs of the occupants. Designed to meet all known U.S. government frontal and side impact crash requirements through the 2010 model year.

**Safety Canopy™ System with rollover protection** — provides protection for outboard passengers in certain side-impact collisions and rollover events.



**Standard front seat side airbags** — help protect the front outboard occupants in certain side-impact collisions.

**ADVANCETRAC<sup>®</sup>**  
**RSC**

**Helps keep tires firmly planted on the road** — Class-exclusive\* AdvanceTrac<sup>®</sup> with RSC<sup>®</sup> (Roll Stability Control) provides stability for cornering, changing lanes and emergency maneuvers.



**Tail lamps** — redesigned, bold lamps provide greater visibility and differentiation.

**Standard wheel-rim-mounted Tire Pressure Monitoring System** — notifies the driver when a tire is significantly underinflated.



Built to deliver more of what ma

# COMFORT.



**New interior** — more ergonomic placement of all key controls for improved ease of operation, including redesigned instrument panel, door trims and door handles.

**New seating on all models** — high-quality foam density improves seat comfort. Available Preferred Suede™ inserts (Eddie Bauer) give a more luxurious feel.



**Big wheels** — optional 18-inch wheels on Eddie Bauer and Limited for an even more muscular appearance.



**Never get lost again** — new optional DVD-based navigation system gives turn-by-turn route guidance that pronounces upcoming street names.

**Enhanced interior quietness** — 9% quieter on the highway and 30% quieter on rough roads than the previous model. The climate control system operates 30% more quietly than the previous model.



**New Fold-Flat 2<sup>nd</sup> row** — flattest load floor (when equipped with optional 3<sup>rd</sup> row) in the segment\* to provide more cargo carrying capability



**PowerFold™ third-row seat** — 50/50 split for great passenger- and cargo-carrying versatility. (Optional on Eddie Bauer and Limited)



**Aerodynamic exterior mirrors** — specially designed and tuned for reduced wind noise and larger for better visibility.



**An Explorer for everyone** — four-series lineup with more standard features than ever before.

# Interior — Convenience

Behind the wheel, Explorer is a pleasure to drive. Controls are intuitive and within reach of the driver. Everything is exactly where it should be.

Message center is centered in the instrument cluster and is easy to read

Instrument panel and door trim panels have more ergonomically designed gauges and switches

All primary controls are within the driver's reach

Available DVD-based Navigation system actually speaks the names of the upcoming streets

Climate controls aren't obscured by the floor shifter

Seat controls are easier to find and reach

Push/pull window switches

Large new center console provides ample storage

Stylish new floor shift standard on all models (chrome on Limited)

Heated seat controls moved to the center stack

Interior door release handles are more accessible

Interior controls are more visible (adjustable pedal switch, heated seats)

# Key Features

## PERFORMANCE/HANDLING

- 4.0L SOHC 2-valve V-6 (210 hp, 254lb.-ft. torque, 74% reduction in emissions)
- 4.6L SOHC 3-valve V-8 (292 hp and 300 lb.-ft. of torque)\*
- 5-speed automatic overdrive transmission
- 6-speed automatic overdrive transmission (first-in-class)\*
- Control Trac® 4-wheel drive system\*
- Independent rear suspension
- 7300 lb. towing capacity (when properly equipped)
- 4-wheel disc anti-lock braking system with electronic brake force distribution

## EXTERIOR

- 3-bar and 4-bar chrome grilles
- New fascias, headlamps and fog lamps
- Redesigned rear bumper and tail lamps
- 18" chromed wheels\*
- Bodyside cladding and wheel lip moldings added to XLT
- Body color skull caps (Eddie Bauer), chrome skull caps (Limited)
- New liftgate
- Larger, more bold mirrors
- Two new colors — Dark Cherry Metallic and Cashmere Tri-Coat.

## INTERIOR

- All new interior
- New instrument cluster
- Standard stylish floor shifter
- Audiophile AM/FM 6-CD MP3 player\*
- DVD-based Navigation System\*
- Rear-seat DVD entertainment system\*
- New ergonomic door handles
- New seats, including Preferred Suede™ option on Eddie Bauer\*
- 10-way power driven leather seats\*
- New 50/50 split bench 3<sup>rd</sup> row\*
- PowerFold™ 3<sup>rd</sup> row seat\*
- Fold flat 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> row seats (with 7-passenger seating option)\*
- Push/pull window switches

## SAFETY

- Class-exclusive Intelligent Safety System
- Adaptive airbag venting
- Adaptive passenger airbag tether
- Adaptive multi-load-limiting seat belts
- Standard seat front side airbags
- Advance Trac® with RSC (Roll Stability Control)
- Safety Canopy™ System\*
- Articulating head restraints
- Energy-absorbing door trims and armrests



\* Optional features. Vehicles shown may contain optional equipment. Features shown or described may be offered only in combination with the other options or subject to additional ordering requirements. Following the publication of this brochure, certain changes in standard equipment, options and the like, or product delays may have occurred which would not be reflected in these pages. Your Ford Dealer is the best source for up-to-date information. Ford Division reserves the right to change product specifications at any time without incurring obligations.



Oxford White



Pueblo Gold  
Metallic



Redfire Metallic



Dark Blue  
Pearl Metallic



Silver Birch  
Metallic



Mineral Grey  
Metallic



Dark Stone  
Metallic



Black



Cashmere  
Tri-Coat



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