

Toyota Starlet

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Model Overview

The Toyota Starlet is one of South Africa's most popular entry-level hatchbacks offering reliability, low running costs, and Toyota's trusted quality. Built on a compact platform with a turbocharged 1.0L engine, the Starlet punches above its weight with features and efficiency. It is ideal for young buyers, first-time car owners, and urban commuters.

Variant Pricing

Variant	Ex-Showroom Price
1.0T XS Manual	ZAR 244,900
1.0T GS CVT	ZAR 279,900
1.0T XR CVT	ZAR 319,900

1.0T XS Manual

Ground Clearance	162 mm
Wheelbase	2520 mm
Length	3995 mm
Width	1695 mm
Height	1520 mm
Kerb Weight	1005 kg
Gross Vehicle Weight	1420 kg
Seating Capacity	5
Boot Space	265 l
Towing Capacity	Not Rated kg
Front Track Width	1470 mm
Rear Track Width	1455 mm
Turning Radius	4.9 m
Engine	1.0L Turbocharged 3-Cylinder Petrol
Engine Type	Inline 3 Cylinder Turbocharged
Displacement	996 cc
Cylinders	3
Valves per Cylinder	4
Power	72 kW
Power @ RPM	5500 rpm
Torque	140 Nm
Torque @ RPM	1500-3000 rpm
Fuel System	Direct Injection
Turbocharger	Single Turbo
Top Speed	175 km/h
0-100 km/h	12.0 sec
Compression Ratio	10.0:1
Engine Position	Front Transverse
Transmission	5-Speed Manual
Drive Type	FWD
Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive
LSD Available	Not Available
Paddle Shifters	Not Available
Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable
Claimed Mileage	16.7 km/l
City Mileage	13 km/l
Highway Mileage	18 km/l

Fuel Tank Capacity	40 l
Emission Standard	Euro 5
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Auto Start Stop	Standard
Airbags	2
ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard
Traction Control	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Not Available
Hill Start Assist	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard
ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Brake Assist	Standard
Tyre Pressure Monitor	Not Available
Engine Immobiliser	Standard
Alarm System	Standard
Central Locking	Standard
Side Impact Beams	Standard
Cruise Control	Not Available
Adaptive Cruise Control	Not Available
Lane Keep Assist	Not Available
Lane Departure Warning	Not Available
Blind Spot Monitoring	Not Available
Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Not Available
Parking Sensors	Not Available
Rear View Camera	Not Available
360 Degree Camera	Not Available
Autonomous Emergency Braking	Not Available
Driver Fatigue Alert	Not Available
Traffic Sign Recognition	Not Available
Seat Material	Fabric
Seat Adjustment	Manual
Heated Seats	Not Available
Ventilated Seats	Not Available
Steering Type	Electric Power Assisted
Steering Adjustment	Height Adjustable
Ambient Lighting	Not Available
Folding Rear Seats	60/40 Split
Front Armrest	Not Available
Rear Armrest	Not Available

Climate Control	Manual AC
Power Windows	All Doors
Keyless Entry	Standard
Push Button Start	Not Available
Wireless Charging	Not Available
Sunroof	Not Available
Electric Tailgate	Not Available
Automatic Headlamps	Not Available
Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available
Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available
Infotainment Screen	7-inch Touchscreen
Apple CarPlay	Standard
Android Auto	Standard
Bluetooth Connectivity	Standard
Number of Speakers	4
Navigation System	Not Available
Digital Instrument Cluster	Not Available
USB Ports	1
Wireless Apple CarPlay	Not Available
LED Headlamps	LED Projector
Daytime Running Lamps	LED
Fog Lamps	Not Available
Roof Rails	Not Available
Alloy Wheel Design	Steel Wheels
Chrome Exterior Finish	Not Available
Body Cladding	Not Available
Rear Spoiler	Not Available
Tyre Size	175/65 R15
Wheel Type	Steel
Front Brake Type	Ventilated Disc
Rear Brake Type	Drum
Spare Wheel Type	Full Size Steel
Front Suspension	MacPherson Strut
Rear Suspension	Torsion Beam
Chassis Type	Monocoque
Power Steering	Electric
Steering Column	Tilt Adjustable
Service Interval	15,000 km or 1 Year
Approx Service Cost	Approx R3,200
Battery Warranty	Not Applicable

Maintenance Plan	Optional
Warranty Years	3 years
Warranty Kilometers	100000 km
Roadside Assistance	3 Years
Anti-Corrosion Warranty	6 Years
CO2 Emissions	107 g/km
Start Stop System	Standard
Hybrid System Type	Not Applicable
Noise Level	67 dB

1.0T GS CVT

Ground Clearance	162 mm
Wheelbase	2520 mm
Length	3995 mm
Width	1695 mm
Height	1520 mm
Kerb Weight	1005 kg
Gross Vehicle Weight	1420 kg
Seating Capacity	5
Boot Space	265 l
Towing Capacity	Not Rated kg
Front Track Width	1470 mm
Rear Track Width	1455 mm
Turning Radius	4.9 m
Engine	1.0L Turbocharged 3-Cylinder Petrol
Engine Type	Inline 3 Cylinder Turbocharged
Displacement	996 cc
Cylinders	3
Valves per Cylinder	4
Power	72 kW
Power @ RPM	5500 rpm
Torque	140 Nm
Torque @ RPM	1500-3000 rpm
Fuel System	Direct Injection
Turbocharger	Single Turbo
Top Speed	175 km/h
0-100 km/h	12.0 sec
Compression Ratio	10.0:1
Engine Position	Front Transverse
Transmission	CVT Automatic
Drive Type	FWD
Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive
LSD Available	Not Available
Paddle Shifters	Not Available
Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable
Claimed Mileage	16.7 km/l
City Mileage	13 km/l
Highway Mileage	18 km/l

Fuel Tank Capacity	40 l
Emission Standard	Euro 5
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Auto Start Stop	Standard
Airbags	6
ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard
Traction Control	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Not Available
Hill Start Assist	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard
ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Brake Assist	Standard
Tyre Pressure Monitor	Standard
Engine Immobiliser	Standard
Alarm System	Standard
Central Locking	Standard
Side Impact Beams	Standard
Cruise Control	Not Available
Adaptive Cruise Control	Not Available
Lane Keep Assist	Not Available
Lane Departure Warning	Not Available
Blind Spot Monitoring	Not Available
Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Not Available
Parking Sensors	Rear
Rear View Camera	Standard
360 Degree Camera	Not Available
Autonomous Emergency Braking	Not Available
Driver Fatigue Alert	Not Available
Traffic Sign Recognition	Not Available
Seat Material	Fabric
Seat Adjustment	Manual
Heated Seats	Not Available
Ventilated Seats	Not Available
Steering Type	Electric Power Assisted
Steering Adjustment	Height Adjustable
Ambient Lighting	Not Available
Folding Rear Seats	60/40 Split
Front Armrest	Not Available
Rear Armrest	Not Available

Climate Control	Manual AC
Power Windows	All Doors
Keyless Entry	Standard
Push Button Start	Standard
Wireless Charging	Not Available
Sunroof	Not Available
Electric Tailgate	Not Available
Automatic Headlamps	Not Available
Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available
Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available
Infotainment Screen	8-inch Touchscreen
Apple CarPlay	Standard
Android Auto	Standard
Bluetooth Connectivity	Standard
Number of Speakers	4
Navigation System	Not Available
Digital Instrument Cluster	Partial Digital
USB Ports	2
Wireless Apple CarPlay	Not Available
LED Headlamps	LED Projector
Daytime Running Lamps	LED
Fog Lamps	Not Available
Roof Rails	Not Available
Alloy Wheel Design	15-inch Alloy Wheels
Chrome Exterior Finish	Not Available
Body Cladding	Not Available
Rear Spoiler	Not Available
Tyre Size	185/60 R15
Wheel Type	Alloy
Front Brake Type	Ventilated Disc
Rear Brake Type	Drum
Spare Wheel Type	Full Size Steel
Front Suspension	MacPherson Strut
Rear Suspension	Torsion Beam
Chassis Type	Monocoque
Power Steering	Electric
Steering Column	Tilt Adjustable
Service Interval	15,000 km or 1 Year
Approx Service Cost	Approx R3,200
Battery Warranty	Not Applicable

Maintenance Plan	Optional
Warranty Years	3 years
Warranty Kilometers	100000 km
Roadside Assistance	3 Years
Anti-Corrosion Warranty	6 Years
CO2 Emissions	107 g/km
Start Stop System	Standard
Hybrid System Type	Not Applicable
Noise Level	67 dB

1.0T XR CVT

Ground Clearance	162 mm
Wheelbase	2520 mm
Length	3995 mm
Width	1695 mm
Height	1520 mm
Kerb Weight	1005 kg
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Seating Capacity	5
Boot Space	265 l
Towing Capacity	Not Rated kg
Front Track Width	1470 mm
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Turning Radius	4.9 m
Engine	1.0L Turbocharged 3-Cylinder Petrol
Engine Type	Inline 3 Cylinder Turbocharged
Displacement	996 cc
Cylinders	3
Valves per Cylinder	4
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Fuel System	Direct Injection
Turbocharger	Single Turbo
Top Speed	175 km/h
0-100 km/h	12.0 sec
Compression Ratio	10.0:1
Engine Position	Front Transverse
Transmission	CVT Automatic
Drive Type	FWD
Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive
LSD Available	Not Available
Paddle Shifters	Not Available
Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable
Claimed Mileage	16.7 km/l
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Fuel Tank Capacity	40 l
Emission Standard	Euro 5
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Auto Start Stop	Standard
Airbags	7
ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard
Traction Control	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Not Available
Hill Start Assist	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard
ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Brake Assist	Standard
Tyre Pressure Monitor	Standard
Engine Immobiliser	Standard
Alarm System	Standard
Central Locking	Standard
Side Impact Beams	Standard
Cruise Control	Not Available
Adaptive Cruise Control	Not Available
Lane Keep Assist	Not Available
Lane Departure Warning	Standard
Blind Spot Monitoring	Standard
Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Standard
Parking Sensors	Rear
Rear View Camera	Standard
360 Degree Camera	Not Available
Autonomous Emergency Braking	Standard
Driver Fatigue Alert	Not Available
Traffic Sign Recognition	Not Available
Seat Material	Fabric
Seat Adjustment	Manual
Heated Seats	Not Available
Ventilated Seats	Not Available
Steering Type	Electric Power Assisted
Steering Adjustment	Height Adjustable
Ambient Lighting	Not Available
Folding Rear Seats	60/40 Split
Front Armrest	Not Available
Rear Armrest	Not Available

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Power Windows	All Doors
Keyless Entry	Standard
Push Button Start	Standard
Wireless Charging	Optional
Sunroof	Not Available
Electric Tailgate	Not Available
Automatic Headlamps	Standard
Rain Sensing Wipers	Standard
Auto Dimming Mirror	Standard
Infotainment Screen	9-inch Touchscreen
Apple CarPlay	Standard
Android Auto	Standard
Bluetooth Connectivity	Standard
Number of Speakers	4
Navigation System	Standard
Digital Instrument Cluster	Full Digital
USB Ports	2
Wireless Apple CarPlay	Standard
LED Headlamps	Full LED
Daytime Running Lamps	LED
Fog Lamps	Standard
Roof Rails	Not Available
Alloy Wheel Design	15-inch Alloy Wheels
Chrome Exterior Finish	Not Available
Body Cladding	Not Available
Rear Spoiler	Not Available
Tyre Size	195/55 R16
Wheel Type	Alloy
Front Brake Type	Ventilated Disc
Rear Brake Type	Drum
Spare Wheel Type	Full Size Steel
Front Suspension	MacPherson Strut
Rear Suspension	Torsion Beam
Chassis Type	Monocoque
Power Steering	Electric
Steering Column	Tilt Adjustable
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Pros

- Affordable price
- Low running cost
- Toyota reliability
- Turbocharged engine
- Good resale value
- Compact dimensions
- Easy to drive
- Good fuel economy
- Wide service network

Cons

- Small interior
- Basic lower trims
- Limited power
- No diesel option

Expert Verdict

The Starlet is an excellent entry-level choice for South African buyers wanting Toyota reliability at an affordable price.

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