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## Official: First pictures and details of 2013 Range Rover

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Land Rover has released images and basic details about one of the most important cars of the year: the all-new Range Rover. It's been made significantly lighter, while refinement and comfort levels are said to be markedly improved.

When it goes on sale next month, the new Range Rover will be the first SUV with an all-aluminium body structure. This will contribute towards a very substantial overall weight saving of up to 420kg, which should naturally lead to improved performance, economy and handling.

Not that handling improvements have been left at that, however: revised all-corner air suspension is said to further improve agility, while also maintaining the ride quality of its predecessor. Other advances in refinement include lamination to the windscreen and door windows, which reduce unwanted acoustics.





Rear passengers will also enjoy the additional 120mm of legroom over the outgoing model, and longer rear doors will make entry and exit easier. Those that prefer to be driven can also opt for the new two-seat Executive Class seating package.

In terms of practicality, both upper and lower sections of the Range Rover's characteristic split tailgate are powered, and a new generation of Land Rover's excellent Terrain Response system makes its debut.

The engine range is similar to the current choice, with a selection of petrol V8s and TDV6/TDV8 diesel units. A supercharged petrol V6 (taken from the forthcoming Jaguar F-type) could also be offered in the future; more details and prices will be revealed ahead of the new Range Rover's debut at the Paris Motor Show in September.



Orders books will open around the same time, with the first deliveries being fulfilled in early 2013.

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## Gallery





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