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All-Weather Cats: Jaguar XF and XJ to get all-wheel drive

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Jaguar has announced that AWD (all-wheel-drive) versions of the XF and XJ saloons will be introduced for the 2013 Model Year – but not in the UK.

Markets that will be offered the new AWD models, which are powered by Jaguar's latest 3.0-litre V6 supercharged 340PS petrol engine, include continental Europe, North America, Russia and China but, because all-wheel-drive accounts for less than five per cent of the UK's luxury saloon market, we won't be getting them here. Jaguar believes that more than three-quarters of the AWD models produced at the Castle Bromwich factory in the UK from October will – at least in the early stages – be sold in the US, where demand for AWD is currently the highest in the world.

"Jaguar has revitalised its core range and is now undertaking an intensive programme of introducing new models... to reinvigorate the Jaguar brand around the world," said Adrian Hallmark, Global Brand Director at Jaguar.

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