



Audi's Middleman Gets a Makeover

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The 3.0-liter V6 makes way for a new 3.1-liter V6 (confusingly enough, the model is named '3.2') featuring direct fuel injection to allow higher compression and more efficient combustion. The result is a big leap in power from 220 horsepower to 255 -- a figure that trumps even the turbocharged 2.7-liter V6, which is no longer offered. The A6 engine lineup is now down to two as the V8 returns for another season, newly enhanced with 335 horsepower. For the moment, all A6s come only with the traction-enhancing Quattro all-wheel-drive system and with a 6-speed Tiptronic transmission -- front-drive models and manuals are out.

The interior, always an Audi high spot, sports more luxurious trimmings than before, and all controls have been consolidated BMW-style into Audi's MultiMedia Interface (MMI), said to be less frustrating than BMW's system. The A6 takes the stylistic lead at Audi, as its new face will be worn by all future models.

For more information, pricing, or new-car quotes on Audi's A6, visit <http://www.audi.us.com>.

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