



2007 Mitsubishi Outlander

The Good ☺ Good exterior styling. Roomy interior cabin. Comfortable seats. Wonderful navigation system and keyless start.

The Bad ☹ Driving feel could be improved. Lightweight feeling lends to poor driving dynamics at high speeds.

Engine	V6, 3.6 Liters
Output	220 hp / 204 lb-ft
Top Speed	130 mph
0-60 mph	8.2 sec (est.)
Weight	3,791 lbs
Price As Tested	\$30,615

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SUV with a V6 engine. This means lower emissions and cleaner air for us all.

Three trim levels are offered in the Outlander, the ES, LS and XLS. The XLS is this highest line model with an optional electronically controlled four wheel drive system, which Mitsubishi calls AWC for All-Wheel Control. The aluminum roof on the Outlander allows for a more aggressive body design and creates a lower center of gravity for better handling. The XLS model also includes attractively styled 18 inch wheels and tires.



High tech features such as the standard keyless entry system allow you to start the vehicle without a key. However, the credit card sized device is somewhat thick to keep in your wallet. Locking and unlocking is done by way of a small button on the door grab handle up front. Xenon lights are also available which is a great option for better night visibility. Although they are far better than standard halogen bulbs, we still found them to be of mediocre quality compared to other systems found in German vehicles.



Interior styling is nicely done with a wide



and roomy cabin. It would be good to have automatic dimming rear view mirrors in this price range and buttons that light up on the door at night. There are loads of storage areas inside from the dash-top compartment to the glove box and the upper glove box. We did miss not having front passenger seat height adjustment, which we

think is mandatory if you intend to sell to a diverse group of buyers. Also lacking was power front seats. Even in 1990, our Nissan Maxima had dual front powered seats with height adjustment.



Built into the large simple-to-use seven inch touch screen on the center dash are all the major control functions. Items like the navigation and audio systems, satellite radio controls, calendar, vehicle maintenance information, climate control display and hard drive contents can all be accessed effortlessly. It's like having one of those airline in-flight entertainment systems, but instead in your car. This is perhaps the best and most intuitive system we have ever used.

The Outlander also features one of the best navigation systems we have ever tested. It features a hard disc drive for storing all the maps and data, so no more CD's or DVD's to mess around with. Routes are calculated faster and rerouting is instantaneous. The computer like NAV system can also store music digitally and even copy songs from your CD to the hard drive for faster listening.



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The Rockford Fosgate sound system is powerful and features a large bass speaker in the trunk. However, we did not find the sound quality to be very good at all. Hands free cell phone capability using Bluetooth is also built into the Outlander with controls on the steering wheel and in the 7- inch command center. Voice recognition was very good and everything worked well. Also great is the standard 115V electrical outlet built into the center armrest up front. Finally, we can use standard home chargers in the car and not worry about buying extra car accessories for all those devices we have.



The rear seat is comfortable and is easy to fold with a spring loaded mechanism which flips the seat fully down. The rear seats also slide 3.15 inches 60/40 for more flexibility. The third row of seats, if you can call them that, are folded into the floor compartment and are not truly made for anything but a pet. They are about 6-inches off the floor when upright and so your legs tend to be in your face.



The driving habits of the Outlander are precise and controlled. Steering is sharp and what you would expect. The Outlander feels a bit light on its feet and that detracts from cornering ability and confidence. Shifting can be done by the two paddles mounted behind the steering wheel for a sports car like feel. The paddles do make the Outlander feel more sporty and fun.

What is missing is the feeling of solidity and a transmission that is smooth at delivering power off the line.



Advanced dual front airbags and front side air bags as well as curtain airbags for head protection are all included. A tire pressure monitoring system as well as daytime running fog lamps give you more security and safety. Electronic brake force distribution and ABS are also standard as well as traction control.



Mitsubishi offers a 10 year or 100,000 mile powertrain warranty. and a 5-year or 60,000 mile basic warranty. Roadside assistance is also included with this plan.

On our test car the MSRP starts off at \$25,010 for the XLS 4-wheel drive version of the Outlander. Optional are items like the Luxury package which includes the Xenon HID headlamps, heated front seats, leather seating

surfaces and a power drivers seat for \$1,600. The XLS Sun and Sound package includes the 650 watt



Rockford Fosgate premium sound system with the 10 inch subwoofer, digital signal processor, Sirius satellite radio, auxiliary stereo input jack and power glass sunroof all for \$1,580. the Hard Disc Drive Navigation system and Digital Music Server with single CD/DVD capability cost \$1800. This brings our total to \$30,615 with the \$625 destination fee. All parts originate from Japan and the window sticker shows a fuel economy rating of 19 miles per gallon in the city and 22 miles per gallon on the highway.

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For a vehicle that features some great technology at a low price, the all new 2007 Outlander cannot be beat. Styling is sharp, similar to an Acura MDX, and the intuitive touch screen command system makes up for any shortcomings in performance and handling. Visit www.mitsubishicars.com for more information.



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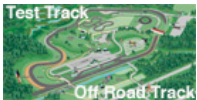
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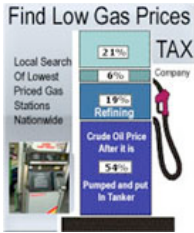
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Base Pricing	\$23,577	\$25,010
Destination	\$625	\$625
Protection Pkg	\$296	\$370
F3 Accessory Navigation Package	\$1,774	\$2,190
P3 Navigation Package	\$1,575	\$1,800
P2 Luxury Package	\$1,400	\$1,600
P5 XLS Sun & Sound Package	\$1,383	\$1,580
Radio Equipment, Sirius / XM	\$312	\$350
Restraint System, Rear Side Impact Air Bag Sedans, Wagons	\$312	\$350
Sun Shades, Manual Rear Side • Wagons	\$134	\$150



COMPARISONS	2007 Mitsubishi Outlander XLS 4dr SUV AWD (3.0L 6cyl 6A)	2007 Hyundai Santa Fe Limited 4dr SUV AWD (3.3L 6cyl 5A)	2007 Suzuki XL-7 Luxury 4dr SUV AWD 7 Passenger w/DVD (3.6L 6cyl 5A)	2007 Mazda CX-7 Touring 4dr SUV AWD (2.3L 4cyl Turbo 6A)	2007 Nissan Pathfinder SE Off-Road 4dr SUV 4WD (4.0L 6cyl 5A)
MSRP	\$25,010	\$27,945	\$28,649	\$27,200	\$31,650
Invoice	\$23,577	\$25,710	\$27,503	\$25,442	\$29,270
Destination Charge	\$625	\$670	\$635	\$595	\$650
Basic	5 yr. / 60000 mi.	5 yr. / 60000 mi.	3 yr. / 36000 mi.	3 yr. / 36000 mi.	3 yr. / 36000 mi.
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Roadside	5 yr. / Unlimited mi.	5 yr. / Unlimited mi.	3 yr. / 36000 mi.	3 yr. / 36000 mi.	3 yr. / 36000 mi.
Rust	7 yr. / 100000 mi.	7 yr. / Unlimited mi.	3 yr. / Unlimited mi.	5 yr. / Unlimited mi.	5 yr. / Unlimited mi.
Base Engine Type & Cylinders	V6	V6	V6	inline 4	V6
Base Engine Displacement	3.0 liters	3.3 liters	3.6 liters	2.3 liters	4.0 liters
Valvetrain	24 Valves single overhead cam (SOHC)	24 Valves double overhead cam (DOHC)	24 Valves double overhead cam (DOHC)	16 Valves double overhead cam (DOHC)	24 Valves double overhead cam (DOHC)
Horsepower	220 hp @ 6250 rpm	242 hp @ 6000 rpm	252 hp @ 6500 rpm	244 hp @ 5000 rpm	266 hp @ 5600 rpm
Torque	204 ft-lbs. @ 4000 rpm	226 ft-lbs. @ 4500 rpm	243 ft-lbs. @ 2300 rpm	258 ft-lbs. @ 2500 rpm	288 ft-lbs. @ 4000 rpm
Driven Wheels	all wheel drive	all wheel drive	all wheel drive	all wheel drive	four wheel drive
Self Leveling Suspension	Not Available	Not Available	Standard	Not Available	Not Available
Tires	P225/55R18 all season	P235/60R18 all season	P235/60R17 all season	P235/60R18 H all season	265/75R16 all season
Total Seating Capacity	7	5	7	5	7
Rear Seat Type	40-60 split bench	40-60 split bench	40-60 split bench	40-60 split bench	40-20-40 split bench
Traction Control	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard
Stability Control	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard
Xenon Headlights	Optional	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Turning Circle	34.8 ft.	35.8 ft.	41.8 ft.		39.2 ft.
Max. Cargo Capacity	73 cu. ft.	78 cu. ft.	95 cu. ft.	59 cu. ft.	79 cu. ft.
City	19 mpg.	19 mpg.	17 mpg.	18 mpg.	15 mpg.
Highway	26 mpg.	24 mpg.	23 mpg.	24 mpg.	21 mpg.
Fuel Tank Capacity	15.8 gal.	19.8 gal.	18.6 gal.	18.3 gal.	21.1 gal.
Length	182.7 in.	184.1 in.	197.2 in.	184.1 in.	187.6 in.
Width	70.9 in.	74.4 in.	72.2 in.	73.7 in.	72.8 in.
Height	66.1 in.	67.9 in.	68.9 in.	64.8 in.	73.3 in.



Weight	3791 lbs.	4022 lbs.	4049 lbs.		4771 lbs.
Wheel Base	105.1 in.	106.3 in.	112.4 in.	108.3 in.	112.2 in.
Ground Clearance	8.5 in.	8.1 in.	7.9 in.	8.1 in.	9.2 in.
Interior	Outlander	Santa Fe	XL-7	CX-7	Pathfinder
Front Headroom	40.3 in.	40.2 in.	41.3 in.	39.7 in.	40 in.
Rear Headroom	38.3 in.	39.6 in.	40 in.	39.3 in.	39 in.
Front Shoulder Room	56.4 in.	59.5 in.	55.6 in.	58 in.	58.3 in.
Rear Shoulder Room	56.1 in.	58.6 in.	55.3 in.	55.8 in.	58.4 in.
Front Hip Room	52.2 in.	55.8 in.	52.2 in.	54.8 in.	55.5 in.
Rear Hip Room	51.9 in.	55 in.	53.1 in.	53 in.	57.6 in.
Front Leg Room	41.6 in.	42.6 in.	41.2 in.	41.7 in.	42.4 in.
Rear Leg Room	36.8 in.	36.8 in.	38.8 in.	36.4 in.	34.2 in.
Maximum Luggage Capacity	14.9 cu.ft.	34.2 cu.ft.	14 cu.ft.	29.9 cu.ft.	16.5 cu.ft.

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