

# Suzuki unveils new 5-door Jimny at the Festival of Motoring



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I recently had the pleasure of accompanying Suzuki to the Festival of Motoring at the Kyalami racing track in Sandton, Johannesburg, where I witnessed the introduction of the new five-door Jimny, which is set to be released later this year.



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## A more spacious interior

The five-door Jimny can be seen as a more passenger-friendly version of the familiar three-door. Although the latter already has room for additional riders, they might not have as much legroom as they would in the five-door, which is said to seat four adults comfortably.



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The back seats are also able to fold flat, allowing for even more room in the rear. Without this alteration, the boot still comes in a sizeable 209l, a significant improvement to the previous model, which only had 59l.

Taking things a step further, travellers will be able to fold the front seats flat and link them to the back seats to create a cushioned sleeping space.

#### **Exterior**

The model we saw was an eye-catching jungle green, but it will also be available in other colours such as celestial blue and granite grey.

The extra room has resulted in a 360mm longer model and a 340mm larger wheelbase, bringing the overall total to 2,590mm. The width and height, however, remain the same.

Similarly, the mechanics have remained unchanged, with a 1,5l petrol engine, 130Nm torque and a choice of five-speed manual or four-speed automatic transmission.

### **Revisiting the Fronx**

The Fronx, which I've already reviewed, had another chance to prove itself, this time on the Kyalami racing circuit. And although it lacked the type of speed needed for a race track, its stability and sturdiness more than made up for it. Once again, it took on those twists and turns graciously, proving just how reliable it can be.

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