

2011 KIA OPTIMA SX TURBO

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The mid-sized 2011 Kia Optima SX Turbo has undergone a makeover as they've been redesigned and substantially changed for this year's edition. The Optima's handling is resilient and secure with a responsiveness that can be appreciated. Indexed around \$20K, these vehicles are establishing a niche' for themselves in the automobile industry. These sedans are front wheel drive with ample seating for two in the front and for several in the rear. They are powered by 2.4 liter turbo engines that are coupled with a choice of transmissions, a six speed manual or a six speed automatic transmission system. That dynamic duo is capable of earning some respectable fuel efficiency statistics such as 22 miles to the gallon through the city streets and 34 miles per gallon on the freeways with a savings on fuel costs reputed to be about \$1,732.00 over twelve months.

Those are just a few of the standard features of their standard packages, which also includes such amenities as some high performance dampers, a sport tuned suspension system, electric power steering and a dual zoned automatic temperature control system with a rear vent. Those safety features are inclusive of some dual front advanced air bags, some front seat mounted side air bags, some full length side curtain air bags and they are buoyed by some front active headrests. There are three point seat belts on all of the seating positions and there are lower anchors and tethers for the children. An anti-lock braking system is included along with electronic stability control, hill assist control and a convenient tire pressure monitoring system.

Taking to turns, freeway driving and even backing up in these vehicles is all assisted and there are many features that have been designed for your safety and convenience. The entertainment systems are based around an am/fm stereo that is coupled with a compact disc player, an MP3 player and all of which is presented through a sextet of speakers. The SIRIUS satellite program is available for a trial period and there are USB and auxiliary input jacks available and there is Bluetooth wireless technology available with each of these vehicles.

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SPECIFICATIONS:

ENGINE: 2.0 LITER, TURBO

HORSEPOWER: 274

TRANSMISSION: SIX SPEED AUTOMATIC

BRAKES: ANTI-LOCK BRAKING SYSTEM WITH ABS

SUSPENSION: SPORT TUNED SUSPENSION

STEERING: ELECTRIC POWER STEERING

TIRES: 18" TIRES

WHEELS: SPORT DESIGN ALLOY WHEELS