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‘Final edition’



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Ebrahim Khalil Kanoo, the exclusive distributor of Toyota vehicles in Bahrain has announced the launch of the 2023 FJ Cruiser in the Kingdom, a special ‘Final Edition’ grade to mark the iconic vehicle’s last year of production. With just 1,000 units available, the Final Edition comes with several unique features and gives off-road adventurers a unique opportunity to own a piece of motoring history. The FJ Cruiser is set to be discontinued in December 2022, after more than 15 years as one of the region’s most popular SUVs. Inspired by almost half a century of tough off-road performance from the legendary FJ40 4x4 utility vehicle, the FJ Cruiser was developed as a capable SUV aimed specifically at drivers looking to push the limits.

The 2023 Final Edition adopts a single tone select beige colour for the exterior, upholstery, and centre cluster trim, creating a distinctive sense of modernity. Further adding to the vehicle’s rugged appeal, a special black coating has been applied extensively throughout the exterior, including the blacked-out grill, bumpers, exterior mirrors, door handles, and spare tire cover. 17-inch aluminium wheels and side steps are also included, while a Final Edition badge indicating the vehicle’s unique number underlines the limited edition’s exclusivity. Powered by a DOHC, 4.0-litre V6 engine that incorporates dual independent Variable Valve Timing with intelligence, the 2023 FJ Cruiser can produce 268 horsepower and 380 Nm of maximum Torque. It is also equipped with a wide range of driver assistant features such

as Active Traction Control (A-TRAC), Crawl Control, Vehicle Stability Control (VSC) with an off switch, and electronically controlled locking rear differential. In addition to stellar all-terrain performance, drivers enjoy greater peace of mind thanks to Toyota’s world-class safety features. The FJ Cruiser’s legendary status as one of the most unique Toyota SUVs and proven durability throughout the years will live on in the hearts of its owners and the Toyota family.

Launched in 2007, the model was hailed as an instant classic by customers and critics alike, particularly in the Middle East where it has gained an enthusiastic following among off roaders.



Over 100 Nissan Z welcomes all-new 7th generation

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Embodiment of the Nissan Z’s ethos of a sports car “built by enthusiasts for enthusiasts”, Nissan hosted an exclusive event in Dubai to bring owners of the iconic sports car together and celebrate the arrival of the all-new 2023 Nissan Z. The celebrations, which were dedicated to Z sports car fans and enthusiasts across the region, included a breathtaking convoy drive across Dubai and the participation of Nissan’s Brand Ambassador and Nissan Z Product Specialist, Hiroshi Tamura. Gathering at the Dubai Design District, members of the GTZ Motor Club formed a striking convoy of over 100 vehicles that drove through the picturesque streets of Dubai and mesmerized onlookers on their way to the event. Upon arrival, owners were treated to the world’s first Nissan Z pop-up museum and were taken on an exciting journey through time, including a walk through a customized space inspired by the lively streets of Japan. Speaking at the event, Abdulilah Wazni, Director of Product, Marketing, and Customer Experience at Nissan Middle East, said: “Together at this event, we have witnessed the passion that unites Nissan Z enthusiasts and their unwavering loyalty towards this iconic sports car.”

An icon for over 50 years, the all-new Nissan Z is its most thrilling iteration yet, with 400 horsepower, 475 Nm of torque, and tactile inputs from legendary racing drivers to deliver a truly exhilarating driving experience. This is accompanied by a 6-speed close-ratio manual transmission or an all-new 9-speed automatic transmission and the first-ever introduction of launch control to the Nissan Z line-up. The all-new 2023 Nissan Z is available for order across Nissan’s partner network in the Middle East.

Silicon Central Mall solar carport to generate 1.7 GWh annually

UAE, Dubai



Line Investments & Property LLC, the shopping mall and management division of Lulu Group announced the launch of 1MWp solar carport and 4 Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations at Silicon Central, installed early this year by SirajPower, the UAE’s leading distributed solar energy provider as part of the mall’s sustainability initiative. The solar carport project covers 5,500 sqm and will produce 1.7 GWh of clean energy annually, offsetting more than 1,205 metric tons of CO2 emissions equivalent to nearly 20,000 tree seedlings grown for 10 years. The brand-new Silicon Central boasts a GLA of 80,000 sqm of retail, F&B, and cinemas, including a 9,000 sqm

Lulu Hypermarket and department store spanning 7,800 sqm totalling 16,800 sqm. Salim M.A., Director of Lulu Group International, said: “With the solar carport as an environmentally friendly project at Silicon central, we are committed towards a healthy and sustainable future and fully support the region’s vision to mitigate carbon emissions to create a more sustainable economy.” Other than providing energy for the day-to-day operations of the Lulu Group’s Dubai Silicon Central Mall, the Solar Carport will also provide shaded car parking for cars alongside charging slots for electric cars. The facility will help reduce the mall’s carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions.

Nissan/NISMO unveils Nissan Z GT4 at 2022 SEMA Show

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Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. and Nissan Motorsports and Customizing Co., Ltd. (NMC) unveiled for the first time to the public, the Nissan Z GT4*, based on the all-new Nissan Z, at the 2022 SEMA show in Las Vegas, Nevada. Additional information about Nissan’s global GT4 programme was also revealed by Michael Carcamo, global program director, sports cars, Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. First revealed at the end of September in traditional NISMO

livery, the specially-constructed Nissan Z GT4 for SEMA features a unique livery that ties in past vintage racing heritage with modern design. The front hood displays the number 23, Nissan’s exclusive number, found within a rising sun circle harking back to the very early racing liveries of the 70’s. Additionally, the new Z logos on the rear quarter panel highlight the modern interpretation of the original 240Z and Fairlady Z badging, all while covered over the iconic Nissan and NISMO red and black colour scheme. Vehicles are scheduled to be supplied from 2024, with orders being accepted from mid-2023. Price \$229,000 USD >