

# Introducing the all-new Renault Triber

 By [Naresh Maharaj](#)

27 Feb 2020

The all-new Renault Triber is truly a unique offering to the South African market; with the ultra-flexibility of 5-seater to 7-seater configurations.

Renault recently introduced the Triber to media in KwaZulu-Natal. I drove the Triber across undulating tarred and sometimes gravel terrain. On the flat stretches, it went well, but I have to say that it was short on power, especially on hilly ascents. The Triber represents a totally new concept of SUV design – a well-equipped vehicle with impressive space and the flexibility to accommodate the ever-changing needs of South African customers, at an extremely affordable price.

## Features

There are numerous seating configurations available. The Triber is highly adaptable to meet the dynamic needs of any consumer - with the ultra-flexibility of moving from a 5-seater to a 7-seater configuration with complete ease.

Aside from the impressive class-leading boot space of 625l (in 5-seater mode), the cabin provides ample room for passengers in all rows for maximum comfort together with multiple storage space for added convenience.



Image by Naresh Maharaj

The modern and well-equipped interior offers equipment akin to upper-segment vehicle standards, with the likes of a reverse camera, Apple CarPlay and Android Auto compatibility and keyless entry, just to name a few. The comfort and convenience of all occupants is ensured with remote central locking and the introduction of separate aircon vent controls within the 2nd and 3rd rows.

It is powered by a New Generation petrol Energy engine, yielding light fuel consumption from only 5.5L/100km.

### **What about safety?**

Safety is a key selling point for the Triber. The 'SUV' is equipped with ABS and high passive safety level with equipment such as emergency lock retractor, 3-points front and 2nd-row seat belts (side only) with retractors, 3-points 3rd-row seat belts without retractor, Pyrotechnic pre-tensioner driver seat belt, Load limiter driver + passenger seat belts, driver and passenger airbags across the range, front side airbags on Prestige & reinforced body structure.

### **Distinctive SUV design**

The SUV-inspired Renault Triber is sure to attract attention with its striking projector headlights, stylish roof rails (with a load capacity of 50kg) and LED daylight running lights, while the 3-part ultra-modern triple edge chrome front grille and stylish Flex Wheels add to its presence on the road. A ground clearance of 182mm and SUV skid plates lend an impressive stance while offering protection on rough terrain. All in all the Triber offers a unique and somewhat aspirational look.

### **Space it out**

The Triber is synonymous with S-P-A-C-E. It has been specifically designed for maximum comfort and convenience. This



sub-4m car boasts best-in-class passenger cabin space, with unmatched roominess in all rows with slide and recline 2nd row seats. With the flexible seating configurations available to the occupants, the Triber also features best-in-class boot space of 625 litres [in 5-seater mode]. Super-spaciousness like never before in a Renault.

### **Modern and well-equipped**

Beyond the aesthetics, the Triber has a multitude of innovative features for added driving pleasure. A gear shift indicator on the digital tachometer assists with driving at an optimum speed for better fuel efficiency, while the on-board computer keeps the driver informed about relevant driving-related info, like fuel consumption, average speed and distance to empty.



Image by Naresh Maharaj

Some of the advanced technology offered by the Triber features are generally associated with upper-segment vehicles.

The easy-to-use 8-inch MediaNav Evolution touchscreen comes integrated with Apple CarPlay and Android Auto compatibility, Voice Command button and video playback on the screen, while a smart access card for keyless entry and Stop/Start functionality enable an easier driving experience.

### **Optimised engine efficiency**

The Triber offers the perfect balance of performance and fuel economy. Its new generation 1.0 litre 3-cylinder petrol energy engine generates 52kW with 96Nm torque. Further equipped with modern technology like the dual VVT system delivers maximum response at all revs, it ensures optimum acceleration. This, along with good fuel efficiency from only 5.5L/ 100km and low maintenance cost, makes the engine ideal for South Africa.

### **Peace of mind**

To facilitate peace-of-mind driving, the Renault Triber model range comes standard with a 2-year/30,000km service plan,

plus a 5-year/150,000km mechanical warranty and a 6-year anti-corrosion warranty. Services take place at 15,000km intervals.

## Final thoughts

This is another great offering from Renault who have been bucking the trends when it comes to cyclical sales. They are always improving their numbers. The Triber is aimed at the second-tier market and for those consumers who like the outdoors. With a shuffle of the rear seats, you can load up all your weekend gear from surf-boards to golf clubs, the kitchen sink and still carry a few passengers. At this price, you will get value for money for this SUV-like vehicle.

## Pricing

- Renault Triber Expression 1.0-litre: R164,900
- Renault Triber Dynamique 1.0-litre: R174,900
- Renault Triber Prestige 1.0-litre: R189,900

## ABOUT NARESH MAHARAJ

Naresh Maharaj is a petrol head who loves cars and writing about them. He is also a Member of the SA Guild of Motoring Journalists. Naresh is also an international sports correspondent and an acclaimed corporate MC and voice-over artist. Naresh is a sports/news producer for community radio stations and also an award-winning sports journalist. Contact Naresh on [nmaharaj321@gmail.com](mailto:nmaharaj321@gmail.com).

- Family fun with the new Suzuki XL6 - 30 Aug 2023
- Driven: The new Chery Tiggo 8 Pro - 28 Aug 2023
- Launched: The Suzuki Fronx - 25 Aug 2023
- Tested: Volvo XC60 T8 Recharge - 22 Aug 2023
- The new Opel Grandland. It's grander! - 18 Aug 2023

[View my profile and articles...](#)

For more, visit: <https://www.bizcommunity.com>