**Volkswagen Polo**

If you think a small car should be cheap and fun, the Volkswagen Polo probably isn't for you, but if you want something that combines the grown-up feel of [**bigger hatchbacks**](http://www.whatcar.com/family/) with an easy drive and low running costs, then it's well worth considering.

Like previous Polos (which you can read about [**here**](http://http/www.whatcar.com/used-reviews/volkswagen/polo/)) the latest car manages to distil most of the good qualities of the larger and hugely popular [**VW Golf**](http://www.whatcar.com/volkswagen/golf/hatchback/review/), and package them in the body of a smaller car.

What's more, like the rival [**Ford Fiesta**](http://www.whatcar.com/ford/fiesta/hatchback/review/) and [**Vauxhall Corsa**](http://www.whatcar.com/vauxhall/corsa/hatchback/review/), the Polo is available as both a three-door and a five-door, and with a broad range of engines that cover every requirement from cheap and frugal to fast and flexible.

Petrol options include 1.0, 1.2, 1.4 and 1.8-litre units. Meanwhile, a 1.4 diesel that's available in two power outputs caters for those who value economy over everything else.

Read on over the next few pages for everything you need to know about the Volkswagen Polo before buying one, including which version to choose.