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### 2018 VOLKSWAGEN BEETLE CONVERTIBLE: POWERTRAIN UPDATE AND A NEW SPECIAL MODEL FOR THE ICON

#### Highlights:

- New EA888 Generation 3B four-cylinder TSI® engine brings more power, better fuel economy
- The bigger 2.0-liter EA888 engine replaces the outgoing 1.8-liter, and boosts Beetle's power and torque to 174 hp and 184 lb-ft
- New Coast special model enters the lineup ready for seaside adventures with a unique Deep Sea Teal color option, surfboard wood-look dashpad and Monster Mats®
- Six-year or 72,000-mile "bumper-to-bumper" limited warranty beats its competitors' bumper to bumper coverage in years and mileage
- Fast-acting soft top opens in 9.5 seconds, can be operated at speeds of up to 31 mph
- Pricing ranges from \$25,440 for the Beetle Convertible S to \$32,090 for the Beetle Dune Convertible

#### New for 2018:

- The 2018 Beetle Convertible is offered with an automatic transmission with Tiptronic® in four trims—S, Coast, SE, and Dune.
- All 2018 Beetle models, both convertible and coupe, are powered by Volkswagen's most advanced EA888 engine ever. The new 2.0-liter four-cylinder turbocharged, direct-injection TSI engine boosts horsepower in the 2018 Beetle to 174 hp, and the EPA-estimated fuel economy rating is 26 mpg city, 33 mpg highway and 29 mpg combined for S, SE and Coast models. Beetle Dune models have EPA-estimated fuel economy of 26/34/29 respectively.
- The Beetle Convertible S adds a new Style & Comfort Package, which offers a 6.3-inch Composition Media touchscreen infotainment display; SiriusXM® satellite radio; Volkswagen Car-Net® App-Connect; Voice Control; KESSY® keyless access with push-button start; automatic headlights; auto-dimming mirror; rain-sensing wipers; and 17-inch "Philadelphia" aluminum-alloy wheels.
- The new Beetle Coast Convertible model enters the lineup as a special model for model year 2018 and is based off the S trim. The model includes a unique Deep Sea Teal exterior color option, a surfboard wood-look dashpad, cloth seating surfaces in "Pepita" houndstooth, Monster Mats®, scuff plates, and

Blind Spot Monitor with Rear Traffic Alert. An available Lighting Package includes Bi-Xenon® headlights; LED Daytime Running Lights (DRLs); LED taillights; and LED license plate lights.

- For 2018, the Beetle Convertible SE adds Climatronic dual-zone automatic climate control and Blind Spot Monitor with Rear Traffic Alert as standard. The model is also available with a new Premium Package for a host of upscale enhancements and conveniences, including 18-inch "Disc" aluminum alloy wheels; front and rear Park Distance Control (Park Pilot); 6.3-inch Discover Media touchscreen infotainment and navigation display; Fender® Premium Audio System; Bi-Xenon headlights; LED Daytime Running Lights (DRLs); LED taillights; LED license plate lights; and fog lights.
- The Beetle Dune Convertible receives Bi-xenon headlights; LED Daytime Running Lights (DRLs); LED license plate lights; Climatronic® dual-zone automatic climate control; Fender® Premium Audio system; and KESSY keyless access with push-button start as standard for model year 2018.
- For the 2018 model year, Volkswagen Beetle Convertible models in the United States will come with the People First Warranty, a six-year or 72,000-mile (whichever occurs first) bumper-to-bumper New Vehicle Limited Warranty, which can be transferred to subsequent owners throughout its duration.

<b>Key Specifications</b>	<b>2.0T</b>
Starting MSRP (plus \$850 destination)	\$25,440
Engine	2.0-liter turbocharged and direct-injection four-cylinder TSI
Transmission	Six-speed automatic with Tiptronic®
Horsepower @ rpm	174 @ 4,400
Torque (lb-ft @ rpm)	184 @ 1,600
Curb Weight S, SE, Coast Dune	3,219 lb 3,272 lb
EPA Fuel Economy (City/Highway/Combined) S, SE, Coast Dune	26/33/29 26/34/29

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