
Subject: Re: What new car to buy (for me)
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Fri, 07 Sep 2007 16:11:52 GMT
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Starbuzz wrote on Fri, 07 September 2007 10:34Nice! 1 question: is it automatic or manual transmission?

Neither. It's a Continuously Variable Transmission' or CVT.

It has no gears or 'steps' and allows the engine to stay in it's optimal powerband. However, driving one is weird for a while, because it doesn't shift.

Nissan has pursued this type of transmission most successfully, whereas other brands have either given up, or scaled back on their use.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Continuously_variable_transmission
