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RENAULT ESPACE MARKS ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY WITH A LAVISHLY-EQUIPPED SPECIAL EDITION VERSION

- Renault Espace is celebrating the 25th anniversary of its career – which has seen four different generations of the model, and which saw its range streamlined at the beginning of 2009 to feature four richly-equipped versions with four distinct personalities – with the release of a compelling limited edition version:
 - An anniversary price representing a customer saving of €5,520 (13 per cent),
 - Integrated DVD/DivX player with screens for rear passengers,
 - Electric panoramic opening sunroof,
 - Carminat CD navigation,
 - 17-inch Eptius aluminium alloy wheels,
 - Tyre pressure monitoring system,
 - Hands-free card,
 - Two additional rear seats (seven seats in total),
- A choice of three advanced diesel powertrains (dCi 130 with six-speed manual gearbox, and dCi 150 DPF with six-speed manual or automatic transmission).
- Renault Espace tops its segment in France with a market share of more than 30 per cent. It enjoys a customer satisfaction rating of 75 per cent among its business and fleet customers. Espace's strong image as a status-enhancing model is reinforced by its high-end performance/equipment package and three-year/150,000km warranty.
- Between 1984 and 2009, almost 1.2 million of the four generations of Espace have been sold worldwide.
- The 25th anniversary limited edition will be released from June in six countries (France, Germany, Belgium, Spain, Holland and Poland).

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A unique 25th anniversary package

The 25th anniversary limited edition Renault Espace is based on the model's already extensively equipped **Carminat Evolution** equipment level. For an extra cost of just €2,000, it packs €7,520-worth of additional technological, safety, travelling comfort and driving pleasure-related features which represent a saving to the customer of 13 per cent.

It also boasts **special exterior looks** with the introduction of a new Cendré Beige metallic finish, aluminium alloy wheels and Look Pack (body colour cowl vent grille and wing trims, chrome front bumper air-intake surround, gloss black exterior mirrors and B-pillar), plus special commemorative 25th anniversary badging on the B-pillar.

The technology package features the Renault Hands-free Card, climate control controls mounted on the rear doors and the Carminat CD Bluetooth® Auditorium MP3 navigation system with a user-friendly interactive interface, plus traffic information and hands-free telephony functions (1) including access to address book.

Its safety credentials have been enhanced by features such as automatic headlamp activation, a rain sensor, a tyre pressure monitoring system, ISOFIX child seat anchorage for all rear seats and six airbags (driver and front passenger auto-adaptive front airbags, plus front lateral thorax-protection airbags and head-protection lateral airbags for first and second row occupants).

Travelling comfort appointments include five identical, fully modular, automatic fixing, sliding rear seats with reclining seatbacks, integrated headrests and seatbelts, as well as an onboard DVD/DivX player with seven-inch screens incorporated in the backs of the front headrests and remote control for second and third row occupants. The system is compatible with most games consoles.

The travelling experience is enhanced by a total glazed area of almost 2.2 square metres, an electric panoramic opening sunroof equipped with electrically-operated blind, and one of the market's most efficient climate control systems – including sunshine, temperature and toxicity (NOx/CO) sensors - which is effective even for the rearmost seats, plus a 4x30W radio-CD with MP3 compatibility and eight loudspeakers.

Order books for Renault Espace '25th opened on April 27, with prices starting from €35,350 and a choice of three powertrains (dCi 130, dCi 150 DPF and dCi 150 DPF with automatic transmission). For the same level of performance, fuel consumption and CO₂ emissions have decreased slightly by 0.1 litres/100km and 3g/km respectively.

25 years of Espace: a segment founded on a unique saga

Espace was developed in association with Matra Automobile and hailed as a revolutionary model in its day. Launched in July 1984, it featured composite bodywork and inaugurated the MPV concept in Europe. It was initially only available with a single petrol engine, but the range was gradually expanded to incorporate a choice of petrol and diesel engines. It sat up to seven occupants in remarkable comfort and boasted an extraordinary choice of interior arrangements thanks to its

forward-tipping, folding, removable rear seats which incorporated their own seatbelt lap-strap. The swivelling front seats also enabled owners to convert the cabin into a 'lounge' arrangement as and when required. The introduction of a facelift in 1988 coincided with the release of the all-wheel drive Quadra version. Almost 192,000 Espace Is were sold in total.

In February 1991, the second generation version featured more rounded lines and an even more modular interior thanks to its articulated, sliding rear seats. In 1994, to mark both the 10th anniversary of Renault's collaboration with Matra and the brand's success in Formula 1 as engine supplier, Renault came out with an exceptional demonstration vehicle – Espace F1 – which was powered by the RS5 V10 F1 engine. Like all high-end models, the Espace II range included the availability of a V6 powerplant mated to automatic transmission. Up to 1997, almost 320,000 Espace IIs were sold, and the 500,000th Espace since the start of production in 1984 rolled off the line in 1996. At the same time, the segment began to see the arrival of an increasing number of direct rivals.

The third-generation Espace was launched at the end of 1996. Not only was this newcomer bigger than its predecessor, but an even longer version (+27cm) was released two years later. Modern styling, the quality of its fit and finish and materials, the availability of a new range of powertrains and the concept's maturity – including a dashboard with a central digital display – made sure that Espace maintained its high-end status. More than 365,000 Espace IIIs were produced in total.

In September 2002, Espace IV switched to steel bodywork, with the line-up now including both petrol and diesel V6 engines, a unique step for the segment. All the rear seats now benefit from integrated three-point inertia-reel seatbelts and are mounted on rails to allow owners to position them as required. Espace IV was the first vehicle of its class to obtain a five-star EuroNCAP crash test rating. As with the previous-generation version, it has proved an immense hit with customers on all the markets where it is sold, a long way ahead of the competition which has become extremely diversified. Since January 1, 2008, Espace comes with the same warranty as all Renault's high-end models, namely 36 months or 150,000km. To date, more than 1.2 million Espaces have been sold in more than 60 countries across the globe.

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(1) Using the telephone while driving can be dangerous. For the safety of road-users, Renault strongly recommends that drivers park up to receive and make calls. This is why our telephony systems come with a 'hold' function that emits a message which tells the caller not to hang up while the driver parks up safely in accordance with local rules of the road and traffic legislation.

Espace and Grand Espace – tax-paid prices and equipment (May 2009):

Tax-paid price listing 2178 (April 2009)	Emotion	Carminat Evolution	'25th limited edition	Alyum Evolution	Initiale
2.0 16V 140hp	€28,650				
2.0 T 170hp		€30,650			
2.0 T 170hp automatic				€36,450	
3.5 V6 245hp five-speed automatic					€49,650
dCi 130	€32,250	€33,250	€35,350	€37,250	
dCi 150		€34,750		€38,750	€47,750
dCi 150 DPF		€35,700	€37,700		
dCi 150 DPF six-speed automatic		€37,750	€39,550	€41,550	€50,550
dCi 175 DPF					€49,750
dCi 175 DPF six-speed automatic					€51,550

Grand Espace prices = plus €1,200 (note: Grand Espace 2.0 16V 140hp not available)

Equipment:

<p>Espace Emotion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ABS with electronic brakeforce distribution and emergency brake assist, - Keyless radio-frequency entry and ignition with Renault Card, - Rear parking proximity sensor, - Six airbags: driver and front passenger auto-adaptive front airbags and thorax-protection lateral airbags, plus head-protection lateral airbags for first and second row occupants; front passenger airbag disconnectable, - Height-adjustable integrated rear headrests, - Fixed height-adjustable front headrests, - Body colour transverse roof bars, - Retractable baggage cover, - Sunshine, temperature and toxicity (NOx/CO) sensors, - Automatic electronic climate control with separate controls for left- and right-hand sides located on front doors, - Deadlocking, - ESP with ASR traction control and CSV understeer control, - Dual-pretensioner front seatbelts, - "See you home" lighting, tailgate light, - 16- or 17-inch PRIMASTELLA wheeltrims (depending on engine), - Parking brake assist, - Four one-touch electric windows with pinch control for driver's window, - Front sun-visor with additional sliding central panel, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Body colour door handles and bumpers, - Telephone pre-equipment, - Dual halogen headlamps, - 4x30W radio with dashboard-mounted single-CD player, - Illuminated, closed stowage in centre console with cup-holder recesses, - Illuminated, closed stowage in bottom and top parts of dashboard, - Stowage under left-hand third row armrest, - Cruise control with speed limiter, - Body colour electric folding, demisting exterior mirrors, - Kiddy locks for rear doors, controlled from front door, - Very dark charcoal AROLLA cloth upholstery; dark charcoal/charcoal interior trim, - Automatically fixing, removable, sliding, reclining rear seats with integrated seatbelts, - Height-adjustable Captain Chair-type front seats with adjustable, removable inner armrests. Lumbar-adjustable on driver's side, - ISOFIX child seat anchorage for rear seats, - Cap-less integrated fuel filler flap release, - Height- and reach-adjustable four-spoke leather-trimmed steeringwheel and leather-trimmed gearlever knob with satin-finish chrome insert.
<p>Espace Carminat Evolution = Emotion equipment level plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New-generation height-adjustable, articulated front headrests, - Carminat CD Bluetooth with 16/9 seven-inch colour screen; integrated Bluetooth® telephony; voice recognition; 4x20W radio with single-CD mp3-compatible CD player, premium traffic information, and fingertip remote control, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two-tone PHOENIX upholstery; dark charcoal trim, - Foglamps with chrome surround, - Look Pack (body colour cowl vent grille and wing trims + chrome front bumper air-intake surround, satin-effect chrome door handles, gloss black exterior mirrors).

<p>Espace '25th = Carminat Evolution, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two additional rear seats, - Automatic headlamp activation, - '25th B-pillar badging, - Renault hands-free entry and ignition - Separate climate control controls for left- and right-hand sides on rear doors, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Automatic windscreen-wiper with rain sensor, - 17-inch Sirius aluminium alloy wheels, - DVD/DivX player with seven-inch screens incorporated in front headrests, - Metallic paint (including new Cendré Beige colour), - Tyre pressure monitoring system, - Electric panoramic opening sunroof.
<p>Espace Alyum Evolution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carminat CD Bluetooth®, - Stainless steel boot sill, - Renault hands-free entry and ignition, - Automatic windscreen wiper with rain sensor, - 17-inch TELLUS alloy wheels, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Combined leather and RIVIERA/PLIDIAG cloth upholstery with visible red stitching; dark/light charcoal interior trim, - Fixed panoramic glass sunroof with sunblind, - Aluminium-ringed four-spoke leather-trimmed steeringwheel with red stitching, - Chrome transverse roofbars.
<p>Espace Initiale :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carminat Navigation and Communication, - Door sill trims and front aluminium interior trimming, - 17-inch AIDA aluminium alloy wheels, - Chrome air intake surround on front bumper, - Opening rear screen, - Integral metallic paint, - Satin-effect chrome door handles, - Automatic electric folding exterior mirrors with settings memory, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Electrochrome interior mirror, - Perforated, edged HAIRCELL beige or dark charcoal leather upholstery, dark charcoal/light beige interior trimming, two-tone seatbelts, - Six rear seats with armrests, - Electrically-adjustable front seats (height, fore/aft, seatback) with settings memory on driver's side, - Six sunblinds, - Aluminium-ringed four-spoke leather-trimmed steeringwheel.

Espace and Grand Espace – Technical Data and Engine Range – 2009

	2.0 16V	2.0 Turbo	2.0 Turbo	3.5 V6	2.0 dCi 130	2.0 dCi 150	2.0 dCi 150	2.0 dCi 150	2.0dCi 175	2.0dCi 175	
	Manual	Manual	Automatic	Automatic	Manual	Manual	Manual	Automatic	Manual	Automatic	
	F4R	F4Rt	F4Rt	V4Y	M9Ra	M9Ra	M9Rb	M9Rb	M9Rb	M9Rb	
Emission standard	Euro 4	Euro 4	Euro 4	Euro 4	Euro 4	Euro 4	Euro 4	Euro 4	Euro 4	Euro 4	
Diesel particulate filter (DPF)							DPF	DPF	DPF	DPF	
French fiscal rating	9	11	11/12 **	17	8	9	9	9	11	11	
Number of seats	5/6/7	5/6/7	5/6/7	5/6/7	5/6/7	5/6/7	5/6/7	5/6/7	5/6/7	5/6/7	
Type Approval											
Espace	JK09A6	JK0AA6	JK0AAB	JK00AB	JK02A6	JK01A6	JK04A6		JK03A6		
With glass roof	JK09B6	JK0AB6	JK0ABB	JK00BB	JK02B6	JK01B6	JK04B6		JK03B6		
Grand Espace	-	JK0AC6	JK0ACB	JK00CB	JK02C6	JK01C6	JK04C6		JK03C6		
With glass roof	-	JK0AD6	JK0ADB	JK00DB	JK02D6	JK01D6	JK04D6		JK03D6		
Engine											
Displacement	1998	1998	1998	3498	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	
Bore x stroke (mm)	82.7 x 93	82.7 x 93	82.7 x 93	95.5 x 81.4	84 x 90	84 x 90	84 x 90	84 x 90	84 x 90	84 x 90	
Number of cylinders / valves	4/16	4/16	4/16	6/24	4/16	4/16	4/16	4/16	4/16	4/16	
Compression ratio	9.8 : 1	9.8 : 1	9.8 : 1	10.3 : 1	16:01	16:01	16:01	16:01	16:01	16:01	
Maximum power - kW (DIN hp)	100 (140)	125 (170)	125 (170)	177(245)	96 (130)	110 (150)	110 (150)	110 (150)	127 (175)	127 (175)	
at engine speed (rpm)	5 500	5 000	5 000	6 000	4 000	4 000	4 000	4 000	3 750	3 750	
Maximum torque - EEC Nm (DIN mkg)	191 (20.0)	270 (28.1)	270 (28.1)	330 (34.3)	320	340	340	340	360	360	
at engine speed (rpm)	3 750	3 250	3 250	3 600	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000	1 750	1 750	
Fuel injection type	Multipoint			Sequential multipoint	Common Rail + turbo direct injection						
Gearbox											
Number of forward speeds	Manual 6	Manual 6	Auto 5	Auto 5	Manual 6	Manual 6	Manual 6	Auto 6	Manual 6	Auto 6	
Steering											
Power steering	Standard	Standard	Standard	-	Standard	Standard**	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	
Variable assist	-	Standard**	Standard**	Standard	-	Standard**	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	
Turning circle between walls/kerbs (m)	Espace	11.0/11.3	11.0/11.3	11.0/11.3	11.0/11.3	11.0/11.3	11.0/11.3	11.0/11.3	11.0/11.3	11.0/11.3	
Grand Espace	-	11.4/11.8	11.4/11.8	11.4/11.8	11.4/11.8	11.4/11.8	11.4/11.8	11.4/11.8	11.4/11.8	11.4/11.8	
Suspension											
Front	MacPherson strut with coil spring										
Rear	torsion beam with two trailing arms and Panhard rod										
Tyres											
Standard tyres	225/60 R16	225/60 R16	225/60 R16	225/55 R17	225/55 R17	225/55 R17	225/55 R17	225/55 R17	225/55 R17	225/55 R17	
Brakes											
ABS and Emergency Brake Assist	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard	
Servo-assistance: double - Ø (*)	10 and 9	10 and 9	10 and 9	10 and 9	10 and 9	10 and 9	10 and 9	10 and 9	10 and 9	10 and 9	
Front: ventilated discs - Ø (mm)	308/28	308/28	308/28	324/28	308/28	324/28	324/28	324/28	324/28	324/28	
Rear: solid discs - Ø (mm)	300/11	300/11	300/11	300/11	300/11	300/11	300/11	300/11	300/11	300/11	
Performance											
Top speed (kph)	185	205	197	225	184	194	194	194	204	204	
0 - 100 kph (s)	12.5	9.7	10.6	8.1	13.5	10.6	10.6	10.6	9.8	9.8	
400m standing start (s)	18.3	16.8	17.4	15.9	19.6	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.1	17.1	
1,000m standing start (s)	33.9	31.1	32	28.7	34.9	32.3	32.3	32.3	31.3	31.3	
Fuel efficiency											
CO2 emissions class	F	F	F	G	E	E	E	F	E	F	
CO2 emissions (g/km)	Espace	223	224	234	284	188	188	193	217	193	217
Grand Espace	-	224	234	289	196	196	198	217	198	217	
European directive 99/100											
Urban cycle (cold start) (litres/100km)	Espace	12.7	12.6	14.1	17.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	10.6	9.1	10.6
Grand Espace	-	12.6	14.1	17.4	9.2	9.2	9.1	10.6	9.1	10.6	
Extra-urban cycle (litres/100km)	Espace	7.5	7.8	7.5	9.0	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.8	6.4	6.8
Grand Espace	-	7.8	7.5	9.2	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.8	6.6	6.8	
Combined cycle (litres/100 km)	Espace	9.4	9.5	9.9	12.0	7.2	7.2	7.3	8.2	7.3	8.2
Grand Espace	-	9.5	9.9	12.2	7.4	7.4	7.5	8.2	7.5	8.2	
Particulates (g/km)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.025	0.025	0.003	0.001	0.003	0.001	
Capacity											
Fuel tank (litres)	83	83	83	83	83	83	83	83	83	83	
Weights (kg)											
Unladen kerb weight	Espace	1 665	1 685	1 705	1 770	1 757	1 757	1 780	1 780	1 780	
Grand Espace	-	1 740	1 765	1 815	1 807	1 807	1 830	1 830	1 830	1 830	
Gross vehicle weight (GVW)	Espace	2 435	2 475	2 490	2 545	2 537	2 537	2 555	2 555	2 555	
Grand Espace	-	2 530	2 555	2 600	2 587	2 587	2 610	2 610	2 610	2 610	
Gross train weight (GTW)	Espace	3 800	4 050	4 050	4 100	4 100	4 100	4 150	4 150	4 150	
Grand Espace	-	4 100	4 150	4 150	4 150	4 150	4 200	4 200	4 200	4 200	
Maximum braked trailer weight	1 800	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000	
Maximum unbraked trailer weight	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	

*Espace only **Depending on equipment level