Welcome to Europcar and thank you for choosing sustainable mobility!

We have compiled this folder for you because a vehicle that can runs on electricity is new to many. But calm down, you drive it almost just like a normal car with an automatic transmission.

The car you are sitting in is a **Volkswagen Passat GTE,** which is a Plug-In Hybrid and can be driven either on electric drive up to 55 km, or mixed between electric drive and petrol engine. In electric mode, the car is quieter and reacts faster to the accelerator pedal. In addition, it does not emit any exhaust gases during electric operation.

Quick guide to getting started

Start

If your car is charging, you must first plug out the charging cable that is connected to the car's front grille, to the left of the VW logo. You first need to unlock the car and then have 60 seconds to disconnect the charging cable. If it does not come loose, unlock the car again with the key, then you should be able to disconnect the charging cable. If you have any problems, contact us and we will be help you.

If the car is not charging, just open the car and get in it.

Drive

Start the car by holding down the brake pedal, turn the key until "ping" is heard and "**Ready**" in green lights up in the display behind the steering wheel. The car normally starts on electric mode and continues on electricity as long as the battery has sufficient charge, if necessary the petrol engine starts. If the battery temperature is below -10°C, the petrol engine starts immediately to heat up the car. The electric engine supports the petrol engine even in the cold.

Charge

In the trunk of your car, you have two different charging cables to choose from to charge your car. The charging door is located in the car's front grille, to the left side of the VW logo, press it and charging door opens.

Longer information guide on driving and charging.

Driving

When braking with the brake pedal, braking take place by recovering the kinetic energy. Thus, the battery charges through so-called recuperation. As a driver, you do not have to do anything, everything happens automatically and you can look at the power goals in the green field in the display behind the steering wheel. When cooling, the recovery is not optimal.

To maximize the recovery, you can move the gear lever backwards to position "B", which starts charging as soon as you release the accelerator pedal. You can both accelerate and brake by pressing down or releasing the accelerator pedal just enough, so called One Pedal Driving. NOTE! Heavy braking still requires a brake pedal!

To the left of the gearbox you also have a button **"E-Mode"** where you can choose which driving profile you want to drive on with just a push of a button.

You can choose to drive the car only on electricity or a combination of the electric motor and the petrol engine. Next to the gear lever you find "GTE" button, in GTE mode the power from both motors is combined through the "Boost" function, which gives extra high torque.

Charging

In the trunk of your car, you have two different charging cables for charging your car. The charging door is located in the front of the car, press the VW logo to open the charging door.

Charging cabel 1: Type2 (Mode 3) cable. Used for charging in a charging box.

You can charge your VW Passat GTE in charging boxes that have a TYPE 2 connector. The charging boxes can sometimes be equipped with a fixed charging cable, if there is not one, use the charging cable in the trunk of your car.

If you charge at a public charging box, it is usually activated with a special charging card, chip or a mobile phone application, which are obtained from the company that operate the charging box. An ordinary credit card can usually **NOT** be used for payment.



Charging cable 2: Schuko cable, used for charging in a 230 V electrical sockets.

Ordinary 230 V sockets are not made for high power for a long time. Therefore, the supplied Schuko charging cable limits the current to a maximum of 10 ampere regardless of any higher setting in the car. The built-in sensor in the cable shuts off the cable in the event of overheating. It is marked with a red warning light on the cable's charge block. Press "RESET" to turn it off.



Start charging

- Select cable and connect first to the pole/socket, then to the car.
- Check that the green light on the car's charging socket turns on.
- Lock the car, the charger is locked and cannot be removed if the car is locked.