

Subaru Levorg, Please Come to America

GOOD MORNING MY NEIGHBORS! My favorite day of the week, Wagon Wednesday, is once again upon us!

Everyone else is going ga-ga about the new WRX that was teased and finally revealed at the Los Angeles auto show this week. Me? I don't care. I want this:

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Fresh on the show floor at Tokyo 2013[/caption]

Meet the Subaru Levorg Concept.

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Admit it. You want one, too.[/caption]

Look at that thing. It takes the, in my opinion, awkward looking C pillar of the WRX and fixes it by doing what only God himself would suggest: add some more glass and make it a wagon.

Sure, it's not as big as my B-body wagon. No, it can't hold a full sheet of plywood, but damn that thing looks good. Subaru, if you are listening, here is what you need to do:

1. Build this car.

2. Bring it to the good ol' US of A.
3. Add a manual gearbox.

Should you meet these requests, I might just have to mosey on down to your dealership sometime. According to sources, Subaru says that the Levorg is a teaser for a car that will go on sale next spring. We can safely assume that Europe will get it, and the press release already hints that the Levorg is perfectly sized for Japanese roads, since it's their home market... but now they need to remember us over here.

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Just imagine that you're looking at a mirror image...[/caption]

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...a very well-appointed mirror that gives you turn-by-turn directions.[/caption]

The official press release says that, in typical Subaru fashion, it will be powered by two direct injection turbo (DIT) boxer engines with displacements of 1.6 and 2.0 liters available. The 2.0, far more interesting to me, reportedly produces 221 kW – that's 296 horsepower in American. Furthermore, fuel economy for the 2.0 is 13.2 km/liter. That translates to 31 MPG. Are you kidding me? Here we have 300 direct-injected turbocharged horsepower, AWD (because let's face it – it's a Subaru), and 31 miles per gallon? Sign. Me. Up. That's all I have to say.

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31 MPG? In this? You know you want one. [/caption]

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Horizontally opposed Subaru goodness. [/caption]

What do you think? Would you add the Levorg to your garage? I sure would. While there's no official word that this wagon is coming stateside, Subaru Levorg preorders begin for Japan on January 4, 2014.

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So, if you'll excuse me, I'll go back to pretending this is me. [/caption]