

Lexus IS Range



Even more impressive is the 2.2-litre common rail diesel engine. Some carped that the IS needed a six cylinder diesel but with 175bhp on tap, the dissenters should pipe down. No less than 295lb/ft of torque is served up from as little as 2,000rpm, making this engine more muscular than the V8 unit which powers a Ferrari 360 Modena. It also features the only catalyst in the world that simultaneously reduces nitrous oxide and particulate matter simultaneously, making this one of the cleanest diesels ever produced. ■

■ **Car Quality** - the Lexus IS Chief Engineer Suguya Fukusato stands with his creation.

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Facts at a Glance

Prices: £22,445-£28,045 - on the road

Insurance Groups: 13E [IS250]

CO2 Emissions: 168-231g/km

Performance: [IS250] 0-60mph 8.1s
Max Speed 144mph

Fuel Consumption: [IS250] (urban) 20.9mpg
(extra urban) 36.7mpg
(combined) 28.8mpg

Standard Safety Features: Twin front, side & curtain airbags
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