



Geely SUV Outperforms Rivals in Latest US Test

Description

The Geely Galaxy M9 is a new plug-in hybrid (PHEV) crossover SUV, similar in size to the Kia EV9 and Telluride. In testing, it managed a remarkable 101 miles of driving using only its electric power before its gasoline generator activated. In China, the starting price is around \$25,000.

As more experts in the U.S. examine Chinese cars, they are discovering their quality. Following this year's CES, Geely allowed the publication *Edmunds* to test the Galaxy M9 like any other vehicle sold in the United States. The results surprised the testers, revealing that the Galaxy M9 outperformed some of the best existing hybrid crossovers and could compete with well-known brands if released in the U.S.

The SUV has a turbocharged 1.5-litre engine and three electric motors powered by a 41 kWh battery, producing a strong total of 858 horsepower. The Galaxy M9 can accelerate to 60 mph in just 4.2 seconds, which is faster than many competitors. Additionally, it features a responsive infotainment system, comparable to those in Tesla cars.

However, if the Galaxy M9 reaches the U.S. market, it may not be at the same price due to various factors affecting pricing. While Geely is eager to sell more vehicles in the U.S., it faces challenges, including tariffs on Chinese-made cars and political opposition. Nonetheless, the success of the Galaxy M9 indicates that Chinese cars are becoming more competitive globally.

Vocabulary List:

1. **hybrid** //ˈhaɪbrɪd// (noun): a vehicle using two different power sources
2. **crossover** //ˈkrɒs,ɒsvər// (noun): a car that mixes SUV and car features
3. **generator** //ˈdʒenəˌreɪtər// (noun): a machine that produces electricity for a vehicle
4. **outperformed** //aʊt.pəˈfɔːrmd// (verb): did better than others in a test
5. **turbocharged** //ˈtɜːboʊ,tʃɑːrdʒd// (adjective): having extra engine power from a turbine
6. **tariffs** //ˈtærɪfs// (noun): taxes on imported goods or products

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice



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1. What type of vehicle is the Geely Galaxy M9?
 - Option: Sedan
 - Option: Crossover SUV
 - Option: Hatchback
 - Option: Convertible

 2. How many miles can the Galaxy M9 drive using only its electric power?
 - Option: 50 miles
 - Option: 75 miles
 - Option: 101 miles
 - Option: 120 miles

 3. What is the starting price of the Galaxy M9 in China?
 - Option: \$20,000
 - Option: \$22,000
 - Option: \$25,000
 - Option: \$30,000

 4. How much horsepower does the Galaxy M9 produce?
 - Option: 600 horsepower
 - Option: 750 horsepower
 - Option: 800 horsepower
 - Option: 858 horsepower

 5. How fast can the Galaxy M9 accelerate to 60 mph?
 - Option: 4.0 seconds
 - Option: 4.2 seconds
 - Option: 4.5 seconds
 - Option: 5.0 seconds

 6. What type of battery powers the electric motors of the Galaxy M9?
 - Option: 30 kWh
 - Option: 35 kWh
 - Option: 41 kWh
 - Option: 50 kWh

True-False



7. The Galaxy M9 tested poorly compared to other hybrid crossovers.
8. Geely is not interested in selling its vehicles in the U.S.
9. The Galaxy M9 can accelerate to 60 mph in 4.2 seconds.
10. The starting price of the Galaxy M9 in China is higher than \$30,000.
11. The Galaxy M9 features an infotainment system that is similar to Tesla's.
12. Chinese cars are losing competitiveness in the global market.

Gap-Fill

13. The Geely Galaxy M9 is a plug-in hybrid _____ SUV.
14. In testing, the Galaxy M9 managed 101 miles of driving using only its electric _____.
15. The Galaxy M9 has a turbocharged 1.5-litre engine and three electric motors powered by a 41 kWh _____.
16. The Galaxy M9 can accelerate to 60 mph in just _____ seconds.
17. Geely allowed the publication _____ to test the Galaxy M9 like any other vehicle sold in the U.S.
18. The success of the Galaxy M9 indicates that Chinese cars are becoming more _____ globally.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Crossover SUV 2. 101 miles 3. \$25,000 4. 858 horsepower 5. 4.2 seconds 6. 41 kWh

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. True 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. crossover 14. power 15. battery 16. 4.2 17. Edmunds 18. competitive

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