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2016 Fiat 500X Receives Autotrader Must Test Drive Award

- 2016 Fiat 500X combines iconic Italian style with functionality, performance and all-wheel-drive confidence
- Features advanced drive systems, including two engine options, available nine-speed automatic transmission, and available all-wheel drive with disconnecting rear axle for improved fuel efficiency
- Named Top Safety Pick+ by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety; Loaded with up to 70 advanced safety and security features, including seven standard air bags, Forward Collision Warning Plus, and LaneSense Departure Warning-Plus
- Available in five trim models and 12 exterior colors to offer the personality that FIAT vehicles are known for

March 22, 2016, Auburn Hills, Mich. - After a thorough, in-depth evaluation by the staff at Autotrader, the 2016 Fiat 500X earned a Must Test Drive award.

"The Fiat 500X is a baby SUV that's a bargain, but can feel like a luxury ride too," said Autotrader. "This model has plenty of high-end options like rain-sensing wipers, a blind-spot monitoring system and rear cross-path detection, all of which add to the premium feel."

As the new crossover in the FIAT family, the 2016 Fiat 500X expanded the reach of the FIAT brand in North America by offering a unique combination of attainable Italian style, technology and advanced all-wheel-drive capability.

"The Fiat 500X is the brand's first all-wheel-drive vehicle and continues to gain traction in the marketplace with sales up 52 percent last month," said Olivier Francois, Head of FIAT Brand, FCA - Global. "In this ultra-competitive small crossover segment, we are honored to have the Fiat 500X receive the Autotrader 2016 Must Test Drive Award."

The Autotrader Must Test Drive Awards (www.Autotrader.com/MustTestDrive) is a uniquely consumer-driven awards program designed to highlight 10 vehicles that car shoppers must see to believe. Selected vehicles are ones that can change the way a consumer perceives the model or even the entire brand.

The awarded vehicles are chosen based on a diverse set of criteria outlined by Autotrader's editorial experts, who log thousands of miles test driving the latest cars, trucks and SUVs on the road. Consideration is only given to vehicles that car shoppers can buy at the time of the award announcement; are of the current or next model year; have a base price under \$75,000; offer significant value for the asking price; and scored no lower than a "four" on Autotrader's five-point scale. With the seal of the Autotrader Must Test Drive Awards on them, these vehicles are truly unexpectedly good.

FIAT Brand

FIAT brand celebrates its 120th anniversary. For more than a century, some things haven't changed. Head-turning Italian design and the ultimate fun-to-drive factor come standard with every FIAT.

FIAT is the only brand in the industry to offer standard turbo powertrains that deliver at least 30 mpg across its entire product lineup. The all-turbo lineup includes the all-wheel-drive Fiat 500X compact crossover, the Fiat 124 Spider roadster and the five-passenger Fiat 500L utility vehicle. FIAT is part of the portfolio of brands offered by leading global automaker and mobility provider Stellantis. For more information regarding Stellantis (NYSE: STLA), please visit www.stellantis.com.

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