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## **BMW Z3 SERIES FOR 2001: PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS**

### **All models**

- 2-seat sports cars
- Two roadster models, one coupe model
- All models have new model designations, new engines, a new available automatic transmission and upgraded standard equipment
- Base prices: \$31,870 (roadster 2.5i), \$38,470 (roadster 3.0i), \$38,270 (coupe 3.0i), all including destination charge
- Built in Spartanburg, South Carolina; exported to other markets, including Germany, from there
- New-generation inline 6-cylinder engines, DOHC/24-valve with aluminum block and cylinder head, Double VANOS <sup>1</sup> steplessly variable valve timing on intake and exhaust valves
- 2.5-liter engine in Z3 roadster 2.5i, 3.0-liter in Z3 roadster 3.0i & Z3 coupe 3.0i; increased power, lower emissions
- New 5-speed STEPTRONIC automatic transmission, optional in all models
- Revised final-drive ratios to match new engines' torque and power characteristics
- Dynamic Stability Control standard in all models (includes All Season Traction)
- Limited-slip differential for enhanced handling

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<sup>1</sup> VANOS = **VA**riable **NO**ckenwellen **S**teuerung = variable camshaft control, or variable valve timing.

### **All models (cont.)**

- 4-wheel disc brakes with ventilated front discs
- Side-impact airbags standard
- 2-stage front-impact Smart Airbags
- Rollover Protection standard on roadster models (two structural hoops behind seats)
- No-maintenance battery
- Cupholders now standard in all models; previously BMW Center-installed

### **Highlights by model:**

#### **Z3 roadster 2.5i**

- New 2.5-liter 6-cylinder engine; power up from 170 to 184 hp
- Standard 16-in. Five Spoke alloy wheels; V-rated tires
- New Sport Package; includes special wheel design, sport seats
- Foglights and cruise control newly standard
- Lined softtop
- Leatherette upholstery standard, leather optional
- 4-way power driver's / 2-way power passenger's seat

#### **Z3 roadster 3.0i**

- New 3.0-liter 6-cylinder engine; power up from 193 to 225 hp, torque increased from 206 to 214 lb-ft.
- Heavy-duty manual transmission
- Front brakes enlarged to match higher engine power
- Newly standard 17-in. wheels and tires in differentiated front/rear sizes; formerly optional
- New Sport Package; includes special Cross Spoke Composite (2-piece bolted) wheel design, sport seats
- Body-color grille in bumper/spoiler air intake
- Leather upholstery standard, Extended Leather optional
- 4-way power driver's and passenger's seats
- Harman Kardon audio system standard
- Chrome interior trim now standard (inside door handles and lock buttons, handbrake release button, headlight switch, leather/chrome shift knob)

### **Z3 coupe 3.0i**

- Closed body, completely distinctive compared to roadster from windshield rearward
- Classic GT coupe, with 2-passenger seating & enclosed cargo area behind seats
- Same new 3.0-liter engine as in roadster 3.0i
- Same larger front brakes as on roadster 3.0i
- Newly standard 17-in. wheels and tires in differentiated front/rear sizes; formerly optional
- Newly optional wheels: Cross Spoke Composite design, as on roadster
- New mesh-type grille in bumper/spoiler air intake
- New chrome lift grip on tailgate
- Power side-window sealing system
- Standard Nappa leather upholstery & Light Maple wood interior trim; Extended Leather optional
- New design for center console; introduced in roadsters a year earlier
- Available power glass tilt roof panel
- Chrome interior trim now standard (inside door handles and lock buttons, handbrake release button, headlight switch, leather/chrome shift knob)