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The Camry (XLE model shown) for 2013 has few changes from the 2012 model that got a major overhaul. The main difference this year over last is the addition of features added as standard fare such as a rear view back-up camera.

## Like fine wine, Toyota Camry gets better with age

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The Toyota Camry just keeps getting better with

Now in its sixth generation, the Camry has long been one of the top-selling mid-size sedans in North America.

It had a major restyle in 2012 with a bolder design and improved handling so the 2013 model is relatively unchanged except for upgraded features like a standard back-up camera and a new "value pack-

For 2013, the Camry is offered in a choice of seven models with three powertrain options and prices ranging from \$23,700 to \$34,275.

Our tester came in XLE trim with a 178 hp 2.5litre four-cylinder engine and a six-speed automatic transmission, priced at \$30,470.

This level has premium finishes like leather seating (heated in front), leather-wrapped steering wheel and shift knob, rear seat reading lamps and a push button smart key system. New this year on the XLE is a blind spot monitor and anti-theft system.

The base Camry for 2013 is the LE, starting at

It features the same 2.5-litre four-cylinder engine and the choice of three upgrade packages including the new "value package" that includes 17-inch aluminum alloy wheels with all-season tires a power

sliding moonroof and electro-chromic rearview mirror. This model is also available with a leather package and heated front seats.

Next up is the SE (\$26,985) that adds 18-inch aluminum alloy wheels, a full skirt package, steering wheel-mounted paddle shifters, fog lamps and more. Leather and a moonroof package are the major options.

For those who want a bit more performance from their vehicle, the SE and XLE are also available with a 268 hp V6 engine. The SE V6 (\$29,740) has an available premium package with an upgraded audio system, heated front seats and the blind spot monitor.

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