



The 2016 Yaris Sedan has its roots not with Toyota but with Mazda, which builds the car in Salamanca, Mexico for Toyota. Basically a Mazda2, the Yaris Sedan has been rebadged and undergone minor tweaks.

Yaris deserves to be on your shopping radar

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It's a pity that Toyota introduced its new Yaris subcompact sedan just as small car sales started to fall off the proverbial cliff.

At one time, compacts and subcompacts ruled the roost here in Canada, making up a huge portion of vehicle sales.

Now it's crossovers and SUVs dominating the market with small cars becoming al-

most an after-thought.

The pity as I see it is that many car buyers today won't even give the Yaris Sedan a sniff as they shop the crossover market instead. The sales numbers seem to back this

up as Toyota sold only 253 Yaris Sedans in the first three months of 2016.

It's unfortunate because the Yaris is a really nice little sedan, making up half of a two-pronged offering under

the Yaris nameplate along with the more popular hatchback.

However, unlike the hatchback, the sedan has its roots not with Toyota, but with

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