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ŠKODA AUTO Kvasiny plant sets new production record in 2018

- › In 2018, ŠKODA AUTO produced more than 300,000 vehicles at its Kvasiny plant for the first time
- › The factory in the Hradec Králové region manufactures the ŠKODA SUPERB, ŠKODA KODIAQ and ŠKODA KAROQ
- › Preparations for electromobility are under way at the site at full speed

Kvasiny, 26 February 2019 – ŠKODA AUTO set a new production record at its Kvasiny plant in 2018. For the first time, more than 300,000 cars left the factory in one year. The ŠKODA SUPERB, ŠKODA KODIAQ and ŠKODA KAROQ are all manufactured at the state-of-the-art production site. After the plant was extended to include a multifunctional competence centre last year, preparations for the start of the electromobility era are now under way at full speed.

“In 2018, we surpassed the mark of 300,000 vehicles produced at our Kvasiny plant for the first time. This record speaks for itself: with its highly skilled workforce and state-of-the-art technology, and being a multifunctional centre of excellence in production, this site couldn’t be better equipped for the future,” explained Michael Oeljeklaus, ŠKODA AUTO Board Member for Production and Logistics. “We have big plans for the future here and we’re pushing ahead at full speed with the preparations necessary for entering the era of electromobility this year.”

The ŠKODA KAROQ and ŠKODA KODIAQ SUV model lines as well as the brand’s flagship, the ŠKODA SUPERB, are all produced at the Kvasiny plant. The Czech car manufacturer employs around 9,000 staff there, making it one of the biggest employers in the Hradec Králové region. The company is continuously optimising production at the factory in East Bohemia to make best use of the site’s capacity. This means, for example, that the ŠKODA KODIAQ is not only manufactured on the SUV production line, but also alongside the ŠKODA SUPERB.

Over the past few years, the Kvasiny plant has undergone the most extensive modernisation and expansion in its history spanning more than 80 years. As part of its SUV campaign, which began with the ŠKODA KODIAQ, the car manufacturer invested a total of eleven billion Czech korunas in modernising production processes. In 2018, the new multifunctional competence centre commenced operations. It houses all of the areas for vehicle testing and analysis under one roof, including the testing and quality centre or the logistics centre as well as space to store pre-production vehicles.

In 2019, production of the ŠKODA SUPERB featuring plug-in-hybrid drive will begin in Kvasiny. From 2023, the Volkswagen Passat family will also be manufactured there alongside the ŠKODA KODIAQ and ŠKODA SUPERB.



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For the first time, more than 300,000 cars left the state-of-the-art ŠKODA production facility in 2018.

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The ŠKODA SUPERB, KAROQ and KODIAQ are currently manufactured at the ŠKODA AUTO factory in East Bohemia. In 2019, production of the ŠKODA SUPERB featuring plug-in-hybrid drive will begin in Kvasiny.

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- › was founded during the pioneering days of the automobile in 1895, making it one of the longest-established car companies in the world.
- › currently offers its customers nine passenger-car series: the CITIGO, FABIA, RAPID, SCALA, OCTAVIA, KAROQ, KODIAQ, as well as the KAMIQ and the SUPERB.
- › delivered more than 1.25 million vehicles to customers around the world in 2018.
- › has been part of Volkswagen Group since 1991. Volkswagen Group is one of the most successful vehicle manufacturers in the world. In association with the Group, ŠKODA AUTO independently develops and manufactures vehicles, as well as components such as engines and transmissions.
- › operates at three locations in the Czech Republic; manufactures in China, Russia, Slovakia, Algeria and India mainly through Group partnerships, as well as in Ukraine and Kazakhstan with local partners.
- › employs over 35,000 people globally and is active in more than 100 markets.
- › is pressing ahead with the transformation from a traditional car manufacturer to the 'Simply Clever company for the best mobility solutions' as part of the ŠKODA 2025 Strategy.

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