

History of the Scion tC by Betsy Bearden

The Scion tC was introduced to the U.S. in 2004 as a sporty hatchback compact coupe that seats five. Although the original appeal of the Scion tC was to attract the younger generation, it is quite suitable for any age that wants a great looking car that is also safe, economical, and offers generous standards and numerous options (including TRD) package.

The 2012 model Scion tC is offered in two trims: The Base Scion tC, and a limited-edition Scion tC Release Series 7.0 that is offered with a TRD body kit, push button start, honeycomb grille, and 18" alloy wheels. It comes exclusively in "High Voltage" yellow and only 2,200 of this model have been created.

It gets great mileage at 23 city and 31 highway and offers an impressive 180 horsepower engine. The tC offers reclining and folding 60/40 split rear seats that when folded flat offer more cargo space than any other compact coupe in its class. A panoramic sunroof lets the sunshine in (or the moon) to further enhance your driving pleasure.

If you are really into music, you're in luck because the tC has an eight-speaker Pioneer sound system with CD player, HD radio, an auxiliary audio jack, and an iPod/USB interface. Bluetooth phone and audio connectivity are also standard.

Equipped with the Star Safety System, you can weather just about any condition on the road. In Insurance Institute for Highway Safety crash testing, the tC earned the highest score of "Good" in the frontal-offset, side-impact and roof-strength tests.

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