



MIRAGE



Ga-Ga over Car Car



United Motors Lanka Chairman Ranjith Fernando addressing the gathering

United Motors Lanka PLC (UML) launched the Mitsubishi Mirage, a stylish five-door hatchback, aimed primarily to cater to the present times of increased demand by local motor vehicle owners, for superior fuel efficiency and eco-friendliness.

The Mirage, a key car in Mitsubishi Motor Corporation's plans to focus on global models for Asian markets is available in nine colours. Lemonade Yellow Metallic, Pop Green Metallic, Eisen Grey Mica, Medium Blue Mica, Black Mica, Red Metallic, Cool Silver Metallic, White Pearl and White Solid.

The Mirage will be available in both manual and automatic transmission with a CVT (Continuous Variable Timing) gear box that ensures smooth driving, push start keyless operating system, fully auto air conditioner and a JVC audio system with USB and iPod while across the board safety features include driver and passenger airbag system and automatic contracting front seat belts that operate in tandem with airbags during a collision. Other safety features of the Mirage are anti-trap windows and anti-lock braking system with electronic brake distribution.

Chanaka Yatawara Chief Executive Officer UML said that the debut of the Mirage in Sri Lanka was timely.

"With top-class fuel efficiency among gasoline vehicles of 21km per liter under test conditions, depending on driving style and conditions of course, low carbon emission as well as its trendy sporty style, we expect that this model will have good demand," he added.

The technology that delivers such high fuel efficiency is the Mirage's aerodynamic styling and the optimization of the body structure which uses extensively light but high tensile steel. Compact on the outside but large on the inside the Mirage also boasts of spacious rear legroom, being bigger than that of its class and a MIVEC engine.

This model is equipped with a 1.2 liter petrol engine, electronic power steering and catering to the growing demand of compact, simple and fuel efficient cars will no doubt have encouraging sales in the local market.



BILLY needs a HOME



Billy was abandoned by his former owners when they moved house and strayed into the premises of some kind folks who are unable to look after him as they go out of Colombo regularly and have no servants to take care of him.

He is a very affectionate dog but seems more comfortable outdoors since he likes to be out in the garden. It appears that he has been abused as he runs when he sees a broom - so he must have been beaten with a stick.

He has a very good appetite- likes Marie Biscuits. Please take pity on Billy and give him a good home. Call 0722755020, 0777750162 or 25780000 if you wish to give Billy a kind home.



Just before getting on the train

HIRU LOVERS TRAIN

Valentine's Day was celebrated in grand style by the love birds of Sri Lanka as ABC Network's Hiru TV, Hiru FM (Sinhala) and Shaa FM (Tamil) organized a valentine treat for them on board their Hiru Lovers train. These are some of the couples who were taken on this little adventure captured by Wimal Karunathilaka



Madusha and Kavindira from Piliyandala



Amila and Sugandi from Alawwa



Rajiv and Anjana from Kadawatha

MISTY loved and missed



Misty the loving four pawed family member of Elmo and Gina Rodrigopulle passed away at the age of 12. She is also missed by their nieces Betty and Lurdi. She tried her best to live longer than her age but alas the age just took her away. It's one month since her passing and the family misses her dearly. Hope you are resting in Peace Misty.

INFOCUS highlights



Taking a look at the photographs



Dilini



Prasad Gunaratna

Collections of favourite and heart touching pictures of many photographers was on display at the Lionel Wendt Art Gallery recently. These are some of the highlights of the evening captured by Nissanka Wijeratne.



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