

## The Travego

The S-Class of touring coaches







# What can you expect from a Mercedes-Benz? More

There are coaches. And then there are Mercedes-Benz coaches. In today's fiercely competitive market, it's the star that makes all the difference, giving you that decisive lead – and the comforting feeling of having done the best for your company's future.

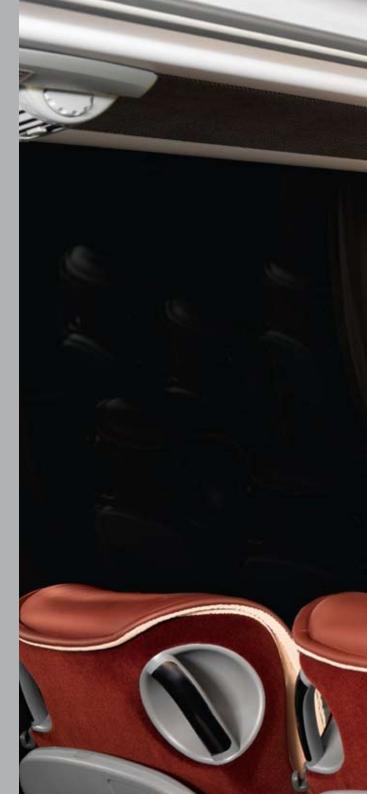
At the cutting edge. Mercedes-Benz has assumed responsibility for the coach like no other coachbuilder. And not simply because Carl Benz built the world's first motorised bus in 1895. But also because Mercedes-Benz has honed it ever since into a high-performance, safe and environmentally friendly mode of transport. And that's why today you'll find Mercedes-Benz coaches come with advanced, practical solutions for tomorrow's challenges – ensuring you also remain that vital step ahead of your competitors in future. After all, we take our responsibility very seriously.

## Travego highlights

Throughout Europe its name is synonymous with top-class coach touring. Compared with its predecessors, the new generation is now even more comfortable and safer. Get to know the new Travego.

The Travego success story continues. On Europe's touring routes, the Travego has been providing premium-class touring pleasure sans frontières for many years. The latest generation successfully continues this tradition, adding new facets to this superb formula. For instance, the Travego builds on its reputation as one of the world's safest touring coaches with innovative safety systems such as Active Brake Assist (ABA) or the Front Collision Guard (FCG). Compared with its predecessor, it is now an even more compelling, comfortable proposition for all on board with its increased space and improved ergonomics in the cockpit as well as the new-look passenger compartment.

The touring coach for individualists. Pick and choose as you put the Travego together according to your own requirements. In the standard equipment there is a choice of three different variants offering 51 to 59 seats and an extensive range of special equipment. You can also choose from the economical, environmentally friendly Euro V engines with their cutting-edge Mercedes-Benz BlueTec® diesel technology. Power outputs range from 315 kW to 350 kW. Individual engine variants are now even more powerful compared with the previous generations of the Travego.







## A flagship for your fleet

Looking to bolster your image as a coach operator over the long term? Look no further than the Travego. As the Mercedes of the first-class touring coaches, the Travego is the ideal showcase vehicle for your company.

Only the best for your passengers. Its external and internal values turn the Travego into an international top-of-the-range luxury coach. No wonder then that it is the first choice when it comes to transporting VIP passengers. This star among touring coaches allows you to give your passengers the feeling of being something special. Don't miss out on this genuine highlight for your fleet.

The star speaks volumes. As the flagship Mercedes-Benz, the Travego earns your company wide recognition wherever you go. It not only impresses with its cutting-edge technology, stylish design and refined comfort, but also thanks to the Mercedes star. People associate the world-renowned trademark with top-of-the-range automotive products. So you benefit from the outstanding prestige of the Mercedes-Benz brand while bolstering your company's image.





## The A-to-Z of safety

The coach is one of the world's safest modes of transport, thanks in no small part to Mercedes-Benz innovations. See the advantages of the Mercedes-Benz integral safety concept for yourself, simply by taking a look at the Travego.

Innovations that enhance coach safety. As a leading coachbuilder, the Mercedes-Benz Bus and Coach unit bears particular responsibility for the safety of passengers and drivers as well as for other road users. Since the invention of the motorised bus by Carl Benz, Mercedes-Benz has been pioneering the further development of bus and coach safety. Many of the innovations that are standard today made their debut in a vehicle bearing the Mercedes star. Mercedes-Benz pursues the vision of accident-free driving, with the Mercedes-Benz integral safety concept contributing substantially to realising this aim.

The benchmark for all-round safety. By consistently implementing this safety philosophy, the Mercedes-Benz integral safety concept covers all stages of vehicle safety: from handling safety through safety in hazardous situations, protection in the event of an accident, to minimising the consequences of an accident. The innovative safety systems on the Travego provide optimum protection, setting the highest standards on one of the world's safest touring coaches.

## Safety drives invention

A vehicle ahead performs an emergency stop or an obstacle suddenly appears on a bend –stressful moments for any coach driver. But thanks to innovative electronic assistance systems many such moments go without consequence in the Travego.

World premiere on a coach: Active Brake Assist (ABA).

If all vehicles on the road were fitted with Active Brake Assist, many of today's rear-end collisions could be avoided. ABA is available for the Travego as optional equipment. ABA automatically intervenes as soon as the Travego is likely to run into a vehicle up ahead. If the driver still has not responded to the electronic system after a warning in stages, ABA automatically brakes the vehicle until the situation has been defused.

Your guardian angel at your side. Besides ABA there is a host of other electronic safety systems to ensure your touring coach gets to its destination safely. Standard-fit features on the Travego include the Electronic Stability Program ESP® to master critical driving situations. Brake Assist (BA) also helps your driver cope with emergency braking. Furthermore, the Lane Assistant system (SPA) helps the Travego stay reliably in its lane on longer motorway journeys. And while the proximity control system maintains a safe distance to the vehicle up ahead, the Continuous Braking Limiter (DBL) helps ensure the Travego does not exceed the legal speed limit.







## Built-in bodyguard

Involved in an accident? Relax. Thanks to its special construction – the results of decades of research and development – the Travego offers drivers and passengers superb all-round protection.

Strong from the ground up. All-round safety: the Travego bodyshell made out of electrowelded, hard-wearing rectangular tubing is ultralight. Continuous reinforcements and diagonal stiffening elements provide the skeleton with high lateral and torsional rigidity, guaranteeing roll-over protection to the ECE-R66 standard. And if you need to carry out a repair one day, the standard sections can be replaced simply and cheaply.

Enhanced protection for driver and tour guide. Everyone should feel safe in the Travego. But your driver and tour guide especially will relish the feeling of safety that comes courtesy of the vehicle's strong bodyshell. The face-lifted Travego is the first Mercedes-Benz touring coach to feature the Front Collision Guard, which ensures the forces produced during a frontal impact are absorbed effectively. At the same time, the driver's area is moved backwards to increase the distance to the immediate danger area. All of which provides enhanced protection for the driver and tour guide, ensuring the direct consequences of the accident are substantially mitigated for them.



# Where can you find a safe workplace today? Look no further

The driver is a key component in coach safety. For that reason, the driver's area in the Travego is set up so the driver can concentrate fully on the job in hand: getting passengers safely to their destination.

Leaving nothing to chance. Relaxed drivers tend to focus more on traffic and therefore have fewer accidents. This insight underpins the design of the driver's area in the Travego. The spacious cockpit and the multi-way adjustable seat enable even your tallest driver to find the optimum seat position. Thanks to consummate ergonomics, your driver can comfortably reach all the buttons and controls, with the new 3D-look instrument cluster and the other displays perfectly in view. Large stowage compartments and tasteful trim matching the selected equipment line also add to the sense of wellbeing that helps the driver in your Travego to stay relaxed and safe throughout a long working day.

Steering that delivers what drivers want. The technology on board the Travego makes your driver's workload as light as possible. And naturally also when it comes to steering. For instance, the multifunction steering wheel can be easily adjusted for height and tilt according to individual requirements. Thanks to a variable ratio gear, the steering gets much lighter, the more the driver turns the wheel. Since the steering gear is located above the front axle, it will still work even during a frontal impact, eliminating the risk of undesirable steering movements – thus enhancing active safety. And you'll also be delighted with the easy serviceability. The steering only needs its first service after 600,000 km. No mean achievement by any standard.





## Safety in a new light

You should be able to steer a coach as safely and comfortably as possible through traffic. That's why the Travego comes with a first-class brake and lighting system your driver can always rely on.

Ultrafast brake response. Driving too fast for the current conditions? Thanks to the Electropneumatic Brake System (EBS) in the Travego the disc brakes respond ultrafast to pressure applied to the brake pedal – faster than with conventional brake systems. The braking force can also be metered more accurately. And because the electronics optimise wear, the brake pads last longer, thus reducing maintenance costs. A retarder also comes as standard. Its braking performance takes the strain off the Travego brake system. And off your budget too, thanks to the retarder's long maintenance intervals.

See and be seen. It's not only your passengers that will enjoy the view in the Travego. Your driver will too. The heated, electrically adjustable exterior mirrors provide the driver with a virtually unrestricted view of the sides and front end. And the optional reversing pilot means you can also comfortably see what's happening behind.

Top-notch light system: powerful halogen headlamps are part of the Travego standard specification. The optional Litronic headlamps provide even better illumination of the road thanks to a light cone that stretches further forward and is also wider.

New: light that turns into the corner. The new-generation Travego keeps ahead of its predecessors: the cornering light function. When negotiating junctions or on tight bends, the inner fog lamp also illuminates the road, thus extending the illuminated area. This makes driving at night even safer. The instrument cluster also enables the fog lamps on the Travego to be set so they stay on 30 seconds after locking the vehicle – so drivers don't have to spend their evening groping around in the dark in a poorly lit area, at the end of a long working day. Additional safety and convenience also comes courtesy of the new rain/light sensor. It automatically turns on the head-lamps or windscreen wipers as soon as the external conditions necessitate their use.





## Stylish however you look at it

Functional, distinctive and unmistakably a Mercedes-Benz. The Travego makes an instant impact: here you've got one of the most stylish ways of touring.

A striking face. An eye-catching design: the Travego bears the hallmark front-end styling features common to all Mercedes-Benz vehicles. Dynamic headlamp contouring is combined with a stylish front moulding and the centrally placed star to create an inviting, friendly 'face'. Its sculpted pronounced 'smile' accentuates the friendly overall impression. The family similarities are unmistakable. The Travego comes across as a genuine Mercedes-Benz.

Clear-cut dynamism. Crisp lines, clear surfaces and the characteristic sweeping B-pillar: the Travego boasts striking, powerful elegance even from the side. Its dynamic aura is reinforced by the tapered rear wheel arches.

Crowning finishing touch. With its rear accentuated by powerful horizontal lines, the Travego delivers a great finale. The horizontal 'fingers', emerging from the tail lights, lend excitement and a three-dimensional element to the rear view. Just as with a Mercedes-Benz passenger car, the tail lights are drawn into the sides. The Travego is also a Mercedes-Benz from tip to tail.

The most stunning Travego ever. The design studio at the Mercedes-Benz Bus and Coach unit will gladly help you turn the Travego into the gem of your fleet. Our experts use sophisticated computer animation technology to help you individually configure interior appointments and turn your design ideas into a finished coach.





## An oasis for your passengers

Travelling in the Travego is something special. Comfort and design combine to create stylish surroundings, turning 'getting there' into the first highlight of the tour.

Get in and feel at home. An interior that could simply steal the show from the scenery outside: pleasantly bright thanks to the panoramic windows and ambient lighting; friendly thanks to the stylish, high-quality interior appointments; spacious thanks to the generous 2.55 m vehicle width and standing room height of 2.10 m. An ideal setting for wonderful touring experiences.

Sit back and enjoy. Every seat is the best in the house in the Travego. The exclusive bucket-shaped Mercedes-Benz touring seats with their wide cushion means you can sit relaxed for longer. Attractively styled service sets with separately controlled reading lights, guide call button and individually adjustable ventilation nozzles underline the sense of wellbeing. A wide range of optional equipment also means you can customise the comfort-enhancing features on your Travego to your very own requirements.

Your tour guide will also be more than enthusiastic. Large stowage compartments, comfortable seat with adjustable backrest (electric version available as an option) and ample legroom will make the tour guide's seat into a coveted place to work.

Simply stylish whatever you choose. The two equipment lines Fashion and Flair for the Travego provide the right interior for your specific application – along with a host of selection and combination options. All the trim features, including the service sets and luggage racks, are coordinated with the particular equipment line.

Fashion offers youthful, sporty highlights with distinctive colour contrasts and a lively feel. So the Fashion line is particularly suited to cultural and event tours, such as Formula One weekends or trips to musicals.

Flair by contrast offers a timeless, more stylish experience. Compositions made up of warm coordinated colours and stylish décor make Flair synonymous with high quality and harmony – providing a stylish setting for long-distance and city tours.

# A coach that says 'welcome' with every detail

Whether it's an event trip or long-distance tour: every passenger in the Travego will feel perfectly at home. Everything in this stylish touring coach has been designed with your passengers' comfort and satisfaction in mind.

Ideal climate. Optimum temperature regardless of how warm or cold it is outside – the Travego's powerful air conditioning system takes it in its stride. Centrally positioned, it provides a pleasant climate in the passenger compartment in no time at all thanks to its high rate of air flow. To ensure nobody in your Travego ends up feeling the chill even if it's freezing outside, the modular convector heater or the optional axial-fan wall heater with elbow-level outlets provides cosy warmth.

The all-round entertainer. Whether it's music or films: the Travego offers a whole range of high-quality options to entertain your passengers. The impressive sound system is a treat for the ears. Radio and CD along with a

DVD player come as part of the standard specification. And if you want to make things even easier, simply replace the DVD player with a DVD changer. The two 48 cm flat screens round off the AV equipment, providing a first-class feast for the eyes wherever you're sitting.

Comfort that melts in the mouth. Connoisseurs travel in the Travego: the ultramodern on-board galley can be fitted with high-quality equipment such as a hot-dog heater, coffee maker and microwave. And the 65-litre refrigerator ensures that nobody has to go without some cool refreshment in between.





# Roadholding is also an important part of a successful coach journey

Refinement is writ large on the Travego. Its high-grade suspension also provides an excellent basis for ensuring your passengers go away satisfied.

Sophisticated axle set-up. The Travego not only hugs the road superbly. It is also highly manoeuvrable because the independent front suspension supports extremely wide steering angles. The strong, durable Mercedes-Benz rear axle is the perfect complement, transferring the power effectively and wonderfully quietly to the road – the ultimate in ride comfort.

The steered trailing axle on the M and L version fits in perfectly with this classy ensemble. Thanks to independent wheel suspension it is now even more comfortable compared with earlier generations of the Travego. As a hydraulically steered, active trailing axle it makes ma-

noeuvring much easier for your driver and makes the two large Travego variants much more agile than is the norm for conventional three-axle models. It remains active when driving in a straight line, thus contributing to the high level of directional stability.

Top-class roadholding. As a genuine first-class touring coach the Travego has an ideal suspension set-up for any situation. Irrespective of the vehicle load or the road conditions, the shock absorbers always work in the optimum range. Thanks to the optional electronic pitch and roll control, the vehicle is automatically stabilised to improve roadholding.









## The Travego should definitely be on your books

High performance coupled with low fuel consumption: the Travego demonstrates its outstanding quality not just in terms of outstanding performance but also in terms of consistent economy.

Affordable power. Anyone looking for power and dynamism with a coach engine will love the new Travego. As will anyone looking for low fuel consumption and minimal costs. The new Euro V engines with Mercedes-Benz BlueTec® diesel technology are powerful and respond flexibly even at low revs. They are also very economical, which is not only good for your finances but also for the environment thanks to low pollutant and particulate emissions.

First class also when it comes to cutting costs. The Travego clearly demonstrates that you can reduce operating expenses even with a top-class touring coach. Easy serviceability and long maintenance intervals translate into minimal downtime and low maintenance costs over the long term. Added to which is the high resale value, which means a Mercedes-Benz coach can make a significant difference for you. All in all, this translates into very low lifecycle costs which consistently take the strain off your budget.

Gearshift comfort. You can also count on comfortable gearshifts with the Travego. The optimised joystick enables precision operation of the manual six-speed transmission. The servo shift assistance permits easy engagement of the gears as if driving a car. And the automated transmission provides an even more comfortable option. Another first-class alternative is the fully automated GO 240-8 Mercedes PowerShift (MPS) manual transmission. This innovative manual transmission system significantly reduces the workload for your driver. All he or she needs to do is set the direction of travel or, in manual mode, select the right gear – the rest is handled by the automatic system. This transmission also helps save expensive fuel: the GO 240-8 uses significantly less fuel on representative routes despite comparable mileage.





## Made by Mercedes-Benz

The star shines very brightly on the Travego. As a touring coach it embodies everything Mercedes-Benz stands for. But one thing first and foremost: quality.

A quality experience. A coach like the Travego isn't just built anywhere. It is produced in one of the world's most advanced coach production facilities with numerous stages designed to improve and assure quality. This includes cathodic dip priming of the entire bodyshell to provide the Travego with long-term anti-corrosion protection – and protect the value of your investment along the way.

Each part of the Travego is thoroughly tested before it goes into production. And after each production stage, strict checks ensure a perfect finish. Ultimately, the Mercedes-Benz quality philosophy also sets out to continually test and optimise manufacturing processes. And incidentally, deadline compliance for delivery is equally part of our quality aspirations. So that you can count on being able to include your Travego in your upcoming schedule.

Responsibility for the environment. The Travego sets standards. It boasts outstanding environmental credentials both in terms of production and operations: the cathodic dip process is largely solvent-free. Economical, low-emission engines along with the long maintenance intervals bring environmental benefits, too. And if at some time the Travego has come to the end of the road after a long, successful life, many of its components can be recycled. Quality thought through to the end: hallmark Mercedes-Benz.



## OMNI*plus* – a partner that keeps your business on the move







#### Service that's always there for you

Keep moving. OMNI*plus*, the service partner for your Mercedes-Benz bus or coach will help you do just that thanks to the closest-knit bus and coach-specific service network in the whole of Europe, the ServiceCard, *24h SERVICE* as well as OMNI*plus*-approved genuine parts and accessories, all with the quality you'd expect from OMNI*plus*. We also offer the OMNI*plus* TireService and, covering all of Germany, the OMNI*plus* BusPool. For the best possible level of assistance in the event of a breakdown.

### Choose from a range of options that delivers what it promises

Benefit from extensive workshop expertise. The OMNI*plus* ServiceSelect service contract model provides you with a customised service package for repair and maintenance, allowing you to increase the operational readiness of your fleet – with reliable fixed costs and no nasty surprises. All of which means you can plan your vehicle operating costs more accurately and also benefit from minimal downtime and administrative overheads.

#### Training camp for professionals

Whether it's safety training, eco-training, technology training or communication training – OMNI*plus* enables you to specifically hone your technical skills and build on your know-how. And, of course, OMNI*plus* driver training courses qualify as continuing education under the Professional Drivers' Qualification Law.







#### Europe-wide selection of used vehicles

OMNI*plus* offers you a large selection of used vehicles throughout Europe. Our network of 25 used vehicle centres and the numerous online offers on our website make it easy for you to find the right bus or coach. Detailed information and suitable vehicles can be found on the Internet at www.usedvehicles.omniplus.com

### Financial services tailored specifically for buses and coaches

Our bus and coach-specific financing, leasing and insurance services provide you with an extremely fair solution to your operating requirements. The experts from Mercedes-Benz Bank will provide you with specific advice and put together a compelling package for you tailored to your personal requirements.

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