

Next evolution (continued)



2019 – 30th anniversary edition

Early in 2019, Mazda announced a special 30AE edition that was being released globally in limited numbers with a *total* of 3000 cars worldwide.

The cars would be supplied in Racing Orange and would be the ND2 spec with the following enhancements:

- Recaro seats, with orange trim
- Brembo front calipers, Nissin rear calipers (all colour matched to the car's paint)
- Orange enhancements inside the cabin
- Some markets had the option of the soft top or RF; Australia was allocated the soft top version only
- Some markets had the option of manual or automatic; Australia received manual only
- Special Rays alloy wheels, with "30th anniversary" engraving
- Bilstein shocks
- Individual build numbers on a plate behind driver's door

Only 30 cars were allotted to Australia, with Mazda keeping one for road test use and later, to be added to the Heritage Fleet.

Nine were sold in Victoria, with four going to Club members. Cars were only offered to established customers on the Mazda mailing list, and were allocated according to those customers' history with the brand and the marque

The initial USA allocation of 500 cars (300 soft top, 200 RF) sold out within about four hours. In May 2019, an additional 143 were "found" (presumably from other markets where they were not taken up) to add to the USA allocation.

The global allocation initially included:

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| • 500 USA (300 soft top, 200 RF) | • 50 Spain |
| • 600 UK (400 soft top, 200 RF) | • 20 Phillipines (all RF) |
| • 30 Australia (all soft tops) | • 17 New Zealand (5 soft top, 12 RF) |
| • 124 Belgium (soft tops) | • 165 Canada (all soft top) |
| • 350 Germany | • 100 Italy |
| • 25 Norway | • 100 France (70 soft top, 30 RF) |
| • 10 Netherlands (all soft tops) | • 50 Austria |
| • 15 Denmark (all soft tops) | |

(This list is not complete for all countries.)

It is interesting to note that the UK took a larger allocation than the USA.