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ASX range fuel consumption in mpg (ltrs/100km):  
Urban 38.2 – 54.3 (7.4 – 5.2)  
Extra Urban 56.5 – 67.3 (5.0 – 4.2)  
Combined 47.9 – 61.4 (5.9 – 4.6)  
CO<sub>2</sub> emissions 152 – 119 g/km



# ADVENTURE ADVANCED

JUMPING INTO COLD WATER IS MORE  
FUN THAN YOU MIGHT THINK – ONCE  
YOU'VE REACHED THE RIGHT LOCATION



## ADVENTURERS, ADVANCE!

Our ASX swimmers took the plunge in the Lake District. They tried out Birks Bridge, a clear stream in a gorge at Duddon; Eskdale's Tongue Pot, a necklace of pools; and Wast Water, a quartz-bedded lake stunningly located in the lee of Scafell Pike.

But you don't need to go all the way to the Lakes. Britain's rivers, lakes and waterfalls, coves, caves and beaches are cleaner, safer and more accessible than at any time in living memory. Open-air lidos are making a comeback too. Try the spectacular Hathersage pool in the Peak District, or Gloucestershire's Cirencester Park lido.

For information on where to wild swim both in the UK and abroad, go to [wildswimming.co.uk](http://wildswimming.co.uk), or pick up a copy of Roger Deakin's splendid *Waterlog: A Swimmer's Journey Through Britain*.





**D**epending on your outlook, outdoor swimming north of Watford is either an advanced form of adventure or the very definition of madness.

The hardy souls who jump into the Serpentine in Hyde Park every New Year's Day aren't alone in thinking that wild swimming is one of the most invigorating things you can do without your pants on.

But, of course, not everyone wants to put their jellywobble torsos on display in the centre of London. Luckily, Britain's climate has dotted this island with thousands of secret wild swimming spots, each one a natural spa tailor-made to zing your body back into life in locations where nobody else is around to point and laugh.

Getting to these secret spots can be a challenge. You need a versatile sort of car to reach them, one that will cover motorways and A-roads in comfort and then keep going through less friendly terrain.

Mitsubishi has a vehicle that's perfectly suited not just for wild swimming excursions but for all kinds of outdoorsy lifestyles. It's called the ASX.

For those who know about these things, the ASX is a crossover and an SUV. For the rest of us it's a handsomely rugged device that's big enough to seat five but not so big that it's an embarrassment. Its compact dimensions will

get you into tight spots; its agile chassis, choice of springy petrol and diesel engines, plus the option of 4WD, will get you out of them.

What Car? magazine praises the ASX for offering "a generous standard of kit for the same price as some fairly basic small family hatchbacks". The entry model ASX ZC has a new leather steering wheel with thumb grips and audio controls, USB port, newly designed seats, chrome trim, privacy glass, high-contrast

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LCD screen, rear armrest cupholder and a big centre console for your damp cossies. That's in addition to air-conditioning, handsfree Bluetooth, seven airbags, Hill Start Assist and Mitsubishi Active Stability and Traction Control.

Move up a level to the ZC-M and you'll be treated to DAB radio, an auto-dimming rear view mirror and 18in alloy wheels and wheelarch trims on top of your standard climate control, heated front seats (essential if you're swimming in the winter), automatic lights and windscreen wipers, keyless operation system, pushbutton starting and cruise control.

The top-spec ZC-H adds a panoramic roof with amber mood lights, Multi Communication System with satnav and a rear-view camera.

Tick the option of ASX's new 1.6 diesel engine with 12,500-mile service intervals and it'll cost you buttons not just to get there but also to keep on getting there. "Mitsubishi has an excellent reliability record", says *What Car?*. When your map of choice is Ordnance Survey rather than a £5.99 special from the garage, and you're visiting places where others might fear to tread, that's reassuring.

Sub-£15,000 pricing makes the ASX as accessible as wild swimming could suddenly become. So jump right in.