

B-PLATFORM

An initial common platform (a Nissan-led project), the B-platform, has been used by Nissan since 2002 with the Micra (March in Japan) and Cube. This was followed in 2004 by the launch of the Tiida and Tiida Latio on the Japanese domestic market and the Nissan Note launched in January 2005. Tiida has subsequently gone on sale in selected global markets, including the U.S. where it is sold as the Versa. Four additional vehicles, the Nissan Wingroad (launched in November 2005), the Bluebird Sylphy (launched in December 2005), the Livina (launched from 2006 to 2008) and the NV200 light commercial vehicle (launched in 2009) are also based on the B-platform. Most recently, Nissan introduced the Juke. An innovative small crossover to be sold across the world, it further showed the flexibility and durability of this most successful Alliance platform.

In 2004, Renault unveiled the Modus, its first vehicle to use the common B-platform. In September 2005, Renault launched Clio III, also built on this platform. The common B-platform continues to bear fruit for the Alliance. In 2008, Nissan launched the new generation Cube compact.

The Dacia range (Logan, Sandero and Duster) is based on a derivative of the common B platform called the B0 platform.