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Diamond Aircraft introduces DA40 XLS and DA40 CS at AOPA

At AOPA Expo, Diamond Aircraft is introducing two new versions of its successful DA40 DiamondStar: the DA40 XLS, the top of the line, loaded model with a new Platinum Interior, and the DA40 CS, a capable four-place constant speed version which customers can customize with a range of options to tailor the plane to their individual needs.

The DA40 XLS retains all the advantages of the DA40 XL – great visibility, fuel efficiency, and pilot friendly handling characteristics – and now offers more room under a wider, higher canopy. Its Platinum leather interior features a long list of XLS exclusives, including a choice of leather colors, aluminum-framed genuine wood inlay accents, engraved brushed aluminum trim, carbon-fiber sill plates and a distinctive metallic striping package. The WAAS-enabled Garmin G1000 glass cockpit features Garmin FliteCharts and SafeTaxi, and other enhanced software functionality, including an ability to fly auto-pilot coupled procedure turns and hold entries, and to program Victor Airways into flight plans.

“Our DA40 XL has been our most popular model, and the DA40 XLS, with its enhanced interior, more space, and the VNAV capability of the GFC700 autopilot with WAAS GPS, is a personal aircraft which should be on everybody’s shopping list”, explains Heike Larson, Vice President of Sales and Marketing.

The DA40 CS shares all the strengths of the DA40 XLS – and enables customers to configure the airplane to their needs, starting at a competitive base price of \$259,950. Customers can choose the attractive, durable fabric interior, or upgrade to luxurious leather. Those looking for comfortable cross-country cruising can add the Garmin GFC 700 digital autopilot, extended luggage compartment, performance landing gear and extended range tanks. All these options make the DA40 CS a great choice for individual owners, as well as for flight schools looking to add modern appeal and technology to their flight line.

“The DA40 CS is a great choice for flight schools,” says Jeremy Desruisseaux, Manager of the Diamond Flight Center program. “When I speak with Diamond Flight Center personnel and with those at other schools which have Diamonds on their flight lines, all attest to the popularity of the DA40 series with their students. The DA40 CS offers them the ability to get this popular plane, at an aggressive price point – which enables them to price it competitively to use it in both Private Pilot and advanced training programs.”

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DA40 XLS



DA40 CS



The DA40 XLS Platinum Interior features a luxurious Platinum Leather Interior, a wider, higher canopy, a new luxurious interior, and offers WAAS-enabled GPS with the Garmin G1000 glass cockpit, as well as standard Garmin FlightCharts and SafeTaxi



At an attractive base price of \$259,950 and a long list of options, the DA40 CS will be a popular flight training platform.