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here are cars, and then there are special cars. The Figo Blu falls in the latter category. Although, the erstwhile 'S' badge on the prefacelift model was far more special than the rather confusing one that says 'Blu' at

the back of the car. This topend variant of the Figo comes with 15-inch rims shod with some tasty 195/55 section tyres and shorter-than-standard springs, which improve its handling capabilities.

You have to admit that the second-gen Figo had gone soft on the handling front in

comparison to the original model. But this version of the Figo aims to bring some of that excitement back while continuing to make urban driving easy, with a lighter steering setup at city speeds. Increase the speed, and the steering feels taut and responsive, improving the

LOGBOOK

When it came: December 2019 Current odo reading: 6,218kms Mileage this month: 365kms Fuel efficiency: 15.25km/l Faults: None

What's good: Handling, build quality

quality

What's not: Parcel shelf rattle

overall handling of the car. So, I am quite happy to welcome the Figo Blu into our long-term fleet and look forward to the spinetingling driving experience in the next few months.

Now, despite the 5,853kms (which I am sure included some rigorous testing) that this car had done until I received its keys, it still feels as well-built as a — Ford should. And, although its parcel shelf hinges have worn out, leading to some rattle, it still puts a grin on my face.