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Land Rover as brand has evolved from being a SUV since. The company continued that legacy till now while keeping alive the original character. With the concepts presented in 11th AutoEXPO viz: "Defender Concept 100" and "Defender Concept 100 Sport" Land Rover promises the future to be more exciting and true to its origin. Recently, after giving us promising product like Range Rover Evoque and Discovery 2, R & D dept is now working on two new concepts. These two concept will replace the iconic Defender down the line sometime in 2014-2015. John Edwards, Land Rover Global Brand Director said: "The Defender has always been at the heart of the Land Rover Brand and single-handedly defines our go-anywhere, can-do spirit. Our ambition is to create an all new Defender for a global market that remains absolutely faithful to its original DNA: tough, versatile, durable and capable. At the same time, it will be developed for the 21st century and adaptable for the needs of future generations."

Defender Concept 100 re-invents the essential Defender design cues which include short overhangs for extreme approach and departure angles, vertical panels, an upright windscreen and strong shoulder line for visibility and ease of positioning and, of course, the honest Defender 'face' with its signature round lamps and prominent grille, incorporating a winch. Defender Concept 100 Sport takes all these key design cues and adds to them the spirit of freedom first embodied by the early canvas-roofed Land Rovers with their fold-down windscreens.

Also these concepts gets loads of technical advances like Land Rover's acclaimed Terrain Response system which optimizes car for any condition it comes across, that to without prior intimation and pre-selection by driver. Furthermore system called Terrain-I will scan the forthcoming hazards and risk down the road and will warn you well in advance. In day to day city terrain it will be identifying pedestrians and hazards with great accuracy. Then there is Wade Aid system which is meant to ease your travel through the certain level of water.

To get ready for the future, an intelligent Twin-Solenoid Stop/Start system mated to the latest eight-speed automatic gearbox is provided which is designed keeping in mind the future hybridization. Then there is the unique Driveline Disconnect system, which sends power to the front-axle only unless conditions demand all-wheel drive. Unlike conventional systems, this physically, rather than electronically, decouples the rear-axle to reduce friction losses but can reengage drive almost instantaneously. Overall as a concept it boasts of many interesting and innovative features. How many of it make it into real world has to be seen and only time will that. So let's wait.

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