Electric Car Timeline

1884: First production electric car
1910s: Electric car sales peak, they stop making them
1923: First forklifts were electric
1920-1950: Only really milk floats
1954: Electric golf carts
1960s: Lots of concept electric cars
1971: First car on the moon is electric
1985: Sinclair C5, electrically assisted pedal cycle
2003: Tesla Motors, Inc. founded with the aim to build fully electric vehicles
2008: Tesla Roadster on sale to public
2010: Nissan Leaf becomes first 5 door family hatchback for mass manufacture
2011: Renault Fluence Z.E. becomes first car that can swap batteries
2011: Smart Electric Drive, Wheego Whip LiFe, Mia electric, Volvo C30 Electric, Ford Focus Electric, BYD e6, Boloré Bluecar
2012: First fast-charging point installed
2012-13: At least 16 new electric cars, including Tesla Model S
2014: Over 500,000 electric cars and vans in the world!
2015: Over 1 million electric vehicle sales!
2016: Tesla Model 3 priced at $35,000 with a range of 215 miles
2018: UK Announces ban on new petrol and diesel vehicles after 2040

Draw what your dream electric car would look like – take a pic and send to info@carbonfootprint.com – we’ll share the best online