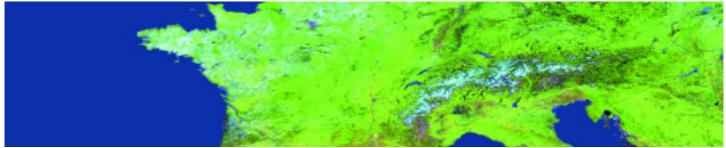






		General features			
		Spot 5 Spot 4		Spot 1, 2, 3	
Launch date	\$	> 4 May 2002	24 March 1998	1 22 February 1986 – 2 22 January 1990 3 26 September 1993	
Launch vehicle	\$	Ariane 4	Ariane 4	Ariane 2/3	
Nominal lifetime	\$	5 years	5 years	3 years	
Orbit	\$	Sun-synchronous	Sun-synchronous	Sun-synchronous	
Local Equator crossing time (descending)	2	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	
Altitude at Equator	2	822 km	822 km	822 km	
Inclination	\$	98.7°	98.7°	98.7°	
Velocity	\$	7.4 kps	7.4 kps	7.4 kps	
Attitude control	\$	Earth-pointing and yaw-axis controlled (to compensate for effects due to Earth's rotation)	Earth-pointing	Earth-pointing	
Orbital period	\$	101.4 minutes	101.4 minutes	101.4 minutes	
Orbital cycle	\$	26 days	26 days	26 days	
Total mass	\$	3,000 kg	2,760 kg	1,800 kg	
Dimensions	\$	3.1 x 3.1 x 5.7 m	2 x 2 x 5.6 m	2 x 2 x 4.5 m	
Solar array (end of life)	\$	2,400 W	2,100 W	1,100 W	
Recording capacity	\$	90-Gbit solid-state memory (~ 210 images with an average decompressed file size of 144 Mb)	Two 120-Gbit recorders plus 9-Gbit solid-state memory (~ 560 images on each recorder + 40 images, with an average decompressed file size of 36 Mb)	Two 60-Gbit recorders (~ 280 images on each with an average decompressed file size of 36 Mb)	
Onboard image processing	\$	Up to 5 images acquired simultaneously, 2 downlinked in real time AND 3 stored onboard using a 2.6 compression ratio (DCT)	Two images acquired simultaneously, then downlinked <i>OR</i> recorded using a 1.3 compression ratio (DPCM)	Two images acquired simultaneously, then downlinked <i>OR</i> recorded using a 1.3 compression ratio (DPCM, panchromatic imagery only)	
Image telemetry link (8 GHz)	\$	> 2 x 50 Mbps	50 Mbps	50 Mbps	



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	High-Resolution Instruments				
	Spot 5	Spot 4	Spot 1, 2, 3		
Instruments	2 HRGs	2 HRVIRs	2 HRVs		
Spectral bands and resolution	2 panchromatic (5 m), combined to generate a 2.5-metre product 3 multispectral (10 m) 1 short-wave infrared (20 m)	1 panchromatic (10 m) 3 multispectral (20 m) 1 short-wave infrared (20 m)	1 panchromatic (10 m) 3 multispectral (20 m)		
Spectral range	P: 0.48 - 0.71 μm M: 0.61 - 0.68 μm B1 (green): 0.50 - 0.59 μm B1 (green): 0.50 - 0.59 μm B2 (red): 0.61 - 0.68 μm B2 (red): 0.61 - 0.68 μm B3 (NIR): 0.78 - 0.89 μm B3 (NIR): 0.78 - 0.89 μm B4 (SWIR): 1.58 - 1.75 μm		P: 0.50 - 0.73 μm B1 (green): 0.50 - 0.59 μm B2 (red): 0.61 - 0.68 μm B3 (NIR): 0.78 - 0.89 μm		
Imaging swath	60 km x 60 km to 80 km	60 km x 60 km to 80 km	60 km x 60 km to 80 km		
Image dynamics	8 bits	8 bits	8 bits		
Absolute location accuracy (no ground control points, flat terrain)	30 m (1 σ^*)	350 m (1 σ^*)	350 m (1 σ^*)		
Relative internal distance accuracy (level 1B)	0.5 x 10 ⁻³ (1 σ)	0.5 x 10 ⁻³ (1 σ)	0.5 x 10 ⁻³ (1 σ)		
Programmable	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Angle of incidence	±31.06°	±31.06°	±31.06°		
Average revisit interval over a 26-day orbital cycle, depending on latitude	2 to 3 days	2 to 3 days	2 to 3 days		

 $^{^{*}}$ Location accuracy is evaluated on the basis of a statistic calculated from a large number of scenes acquired from September 2003, across the globe.

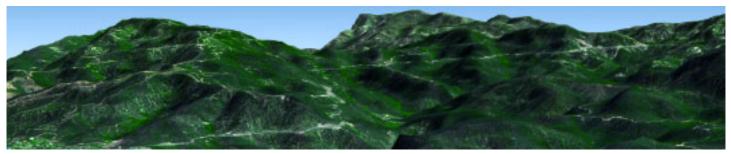
		VEGETATION Instrument					
		Spot 5	Spot 4	Spot 1, 2, 3			
Passenger instrument	>	VEGETATION 2	VEGETATION 1	-			
Spectral bands	>	4	4	-			
Electromagnetic spectrum	>	B0: 0.45 - 0.52 μm B2: 0.61 - 0.68 μm B3: 0.78 - 0.89 μm B4: 1.58 - 1.75 μm	B0: 0.45 - 0.52 µm B2: 0.61 - 0.68 µm B3: 0.78 - 0.89 µm B4: 1.58 - 1.75 µm	-			
Resolution	>	1,000 m	1,000 m	-			
Imaging swath	>	2,250 km	2,250 km	•			
Image dynamics	>	10 bits	10 bits	-			
Revisit interval	\$	1 day	1 day	-			





	Spe	ot 5	Spot 4	Spot 1 , 2, 3
Instrument	HRS Along-track stereoviewing	HRG stereoviewing capability Across track	HRVIR stereoviewing capability Across track	HRV stereoviewing capability Across track
Spectral bands and resolution	1 panchromatic (10 m) (resampled every 5 m along track) => 10 m across track, 5 m along track	2 panchromatic (5 m), combined to generate a 2.5-metre product 3 multispectral (10 m) 1 short-wave infrared (20 m)	1 panchromatic (10 m) 3 multispectral (20 m) 1 short-wave infrared (20 m)	1 panchromatic (10 m) 3 multispectral (20 m)
Spectral range	P: 0.49 - 0.69 μm	P: 0.48 - 0.71 µm B1: 0.50 - 0.59 µm B2: 0.61 - 0.68 µm B3: 0.78 - 0.89 µm B4: 1.58 – 1.75 µm	M: 0.61 - 0.68 μm B1: 0.50 - 0.59 μm B2: 0.61 - 0.68 μm B3: 0.78 - 0.89 μm B4: 1.58 - 1.75 μm	P: 0.50 - 0.73 μm B1: 0.50 - 0.59 μm B2: 0.61 - 0.68 μm B3: 0.78 - 0.89 μm
Imaging swath	600 km x 120 km	60 km x 60 km to 80 km	60 km x 60 km to 80 km	60 km x 60 km to 80 km
Image dynamics	8 bits	8 bits	8 bits	8 bits
Base/height ratio (B/H)	~ 0.84 (±20°)	0.5 to 1.1	0.5 to 1.1	0.5 to 1.1
Absolute location accuracy (no ground control points, flat terrain)	10 m (1 o*)	30 m (1 σ*)	350 m (1 σ*)	350 m (1 σ*)
Time between two images	>> 90 seconds (simultaneous)	variable	variable	variable

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