

# THE BUYERS GUIDE TO *Honda SUVs*



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## The Buyer's Guide to Honda SUVs

From their sheer functionality to their impressive power and roomy cabins, there's plenty of reasons to love SUVs. In recent years, the Honda brand has worked hard to craft a lineup of crossovers and SUVs catering to a wide range of lifestyles and needs. Do you consider yourself more of an adventurer? They've got a model for that. Maybe you're in the market for a safe and spacious family vehicle? They've got that base covered, too.

With so many great options and features to choose from, you may want a bit of assistance selecting the right car for your needs. This Honda SUV buyer's guide will break down the best qualities of each, helping to pair you with a ride that will seamlessly fit into your daily routine.

### The Honda HR-V: A Compact Crossover with Big Comforts

*Perfect if: You like the coziness of a sedan cabin but need extra cargo room.*

The HR-V is the most compact crossover in the Honda SUV lineup. With 100.1 cubic feet of passenger space, its cabin is comparable to that of the popular Civic sedan. The big difference here is that while you get that cozy sedan cabin, you have a total 58.8 cubic feet of cargo space possible, as well as 7.3 inches of ground clearance, making the HR-V suitable for rougher terrain.

#### *Reconfigurable Rear Seating*

While the HR-V is totally capable of seating five passengers, say friends and family, it's also great for solo excursions or road trips with just a driver and co-pilot. If you don't think you'll be making use of that second row, just fold it over. With a 60/40 Split 2nd-Row Magic Seat® in the back, you can fold down the bench partially or fully to make more room for your luggage and gear.



## **Road Trip-Ready Entertainment Tech**

Before you and your co-pilot set out for your destination, odds are you're queueing a playlist of your favorite jams and podcasts. Accessing both is easy with the mobile integrative capabilities of the HR-V.

Available Apple CarPlay™ and Android Auto™ allow you to wirelessly connect your phone to the vehicle. Once you do, you're able to pull up your top phone apps on the car's touchscreen. Music, maps, and messages are all just a touch away.

## **Let the Sunshine In**

On a clear sunny day, you'll want to roll down the windows and let a bit of fresh air in. This is made so much easier with the one-touch power moonroof available in this sleek crossover. This auto-tilting moonroof opens and closes with just the touch of a button. Whether you're looking for extra sunshine during the day or a clear view of the stars at night, it can really enhance your view from the road.

## **The Honda CR-V: A Family Vehicle with Added Flash**

***Perfect if: You're looking for a family SUV with exceptional safety capabilities.***

For many years, the minivan was hailed as the ideal family vehicle. However, 5-seater crossovers, offering ample space and cargo capabilities as well as advanced safety, are now strong contenders for the very same distinction.

The Honda CR-V has been lauded as an excellent family SUV with homey comforts and a bevy of intelligent technologies at its disposal. If you're looking for a ride for errands, family vacations, and daily commutes, this SUV will ensure your day-to-day satisfaction.



## ***A Balanced Powertrain***

Powering the Honda CR-V is a balanced in-line 4-cylinder engine made to juggle both power and fuel efficiency with finesse. On one hand, it has a power output of 184 horsepower and 180 lb-ft of torque. When you step on the accelerator, you'll feel an immediate and peppy response.

On the other hand, the CR-V comes with an Eco Assist™ system, allowing it to get the most out of every tank of gas. On average, it maintains an EPA-estimated 32 MPG highway and 26 MPG city.<sup>1</sup> Fuel economy like that means less gas pitstops on the way to your destination.

## ***Award-Winning Safety***

Knowing that your SUV is looking out for you on the road can really kick your peace of mind into high gear. When it comes to tested safety, the CR-V has the accolades to prove its mettle. Not only does the CR-V have a body that absorbs impact forces, it also offers up the Honda Sensing® suite of driver-assisting safety features. The tech in this suite utilizes sensors to monitor the road for collision potential. If it determines that an impact is inevitable, it can both send warnings and act autonomously to prevent it.

The Honda Sensing® features include:

- **Forward Collision Warning**
- **Lane Departure Warning**
- **Adaptive Cruise Control with Low-Speed Follow**
- **Road Departure Mitigation System**
- **Lane Keeping Assist System**
- **Collision Mitigation Braking System™**



# The Honda Pilot: Go Big or Go Home

*Perfect if: You need room for eight... and then some.*

The bigger the adventure, the bigger the gear you're going to need to bring along. Camping trips require tents, beach trips require umbrellas and surfboards—to put it simply, you need space, and the Honda Pilot has it.

As an 8-passenger SUV, the Pilot has room for friends and family, luggage, and even your pets. A whopping 152.9 cubic feet of occupant room means every passenger should have the space to stretch out. Meanwhile, those in need of the cargo space will have 109 cubic feet to work with when the rear seats are folded down.

## *You've Got the Power*

Where most other Honda SUVs come standard with a 4-cylinder engine, the Pilot ups the ante. It offers up a 3.5L V6 capable of generating 280 horsepower and 262 lb-ft of torque. Mate that engine with the available 9-speed automatic transmission with Shift-by-Wire and you're in for seamless acceleration.

## *All-Weather Driving*

When you need to drive through heavy downpours, the Pilot offers up the Intelligent Variable Torque Management® All-Wheel Drive (AWD) System. This drivetrain sends the appropriate amount of power to all wheels when you need it, ensuring increased wheel-grip even on slick or uneven roads.

## *Hauling Made Easy*

The standard towing capacity in the Pilot is an impressive 3,500 pounds. However, if you add in that AWD we mentioned, this capacity gets a boost to 5,000 pounds. With that kind of muscle, you can pull boats, campers, or jet-skis along on your next road trip. There's no need to leave your big-kid toys at home!



# The Honda Passport: An Outstanding Choice for the Great Outdoors

*Perfect if: You like to go off-road and get a little muddy.*

Many years ago, you might remember seeing the Honda Passport out and about, usually speckled with mud and carrying some exciting cargo on top. From day one, the Passport was designed for rugged outdoor adventure. Now, Honda has redesigned this SUV for much the same purpose.

The big difference between this Passport and the Passport of old lies in its technology. Yes, it is a rugged vehicle, but it is not by any means rustic in terms of the technology that it offers. With safety and infotainment in spades, it's one well-rounded package.

## ***Intuitive Traction Controls***

In addition to offering the Intelligent Variable Torque Management® AWD System found in many Honda SUVs, the Passport also has an available Intelligent Traction Management system. What makes it so smart, you ask? It can actually fine tune its traction according to what kind of terrain you're driving on.

If you're switching from sand to mud, for instance, switch the dial to apply traction perfect for each.

This feature also has a snow mode for any wintry excursions you might have planned.

## ***Hidden Cargo Compartments***

You've got cargo space in the back plus impressive towing capabilities with the Passport. However, you also have what is considered to be best-in-class underfloor storage space. The segmented underfloor compartment has 2.5 cubic feet for stowing your smaller, more precious items. Anything you're concerned about losing should be safe and sound in the underfloor compartment.

## ***Standard Smart Safety***

That collision-predictive Honda Sensing® suite that is made available in so many Honda SUVs is now standard in every trim level of the Passport. Even in the base trim, you'll have a Lane Keeping Assist System, Forward Collision Warning, and much more keeping you and yours protected from road hazards.



## Want to Take Your Favorite SUV for a Spin?

After reading through this guide, you probably have a better idea of which of these fine SUVs is the right choice for your lifestyle. However, to know for certain, you're going to have to get behind the wheel. After experiencing the performance and utility of vehicles firsthand, making a decision should be a breeze.

Contact your local Honda dealership online or over the phone today to schedule a test drive of your favorite SUV!

