



BMW

M5 Sedan

South Africa • 2026 Hagalu Buyer's Guide

4395 cc

ENGINE

430 kW

POWER

140 mm

CLEARANCE

16.5 km/l

FUEL ECON

5 seats

SEATING

ZAR 2,782,000

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

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Hagalu editorial score

1 Variants

1 Priced

01 Overview & Quick Facts

The current BMW M5 Sedan is the G90 generation, a full-M executive car built around a plug-in-hybrid powertrain. It combines a high-performance V8 petrol engine with an electric motor for an official total of 535 kW and 1,000 Nm, delivered through an eight-speed transmission and M xDrive. That architecture makes the car more complex than an older combustion-only M5 and more demanding than a regular 5 Series. It can drive a limited distance electrically and deliver extraordinary combined performance, but both sides need to fit the owner's routine. Plug-in charging is part of correct ownership. A buyer who never connects the car carries hybrid hardware without consistently using its local electric ability. Confirm home or workplace charging, cable provision, electrical safety and the time available overnight. Public charging may support occasional use, but routine reliance weakens the PHEV case. Electric range varies with weather, route, speed, climate and battery condition, and the official weighted consumption figure cannot represent a long journey after useful charge is depleted. Fuel budgeting needs to consider charge-depleted operation as well as short charged trips. Combined...



Body Style	4-door high-performance sedan
Launched	2024
Generation	G90 full-M four-door executive sedan with an electrified V8 powertrain and M xDrive.
Fuel Types	Plug-in Hybrid
Colours	M and BMW Individual paints, upholstery, wheels, roof, brakes and carbon equipment depend on the exact factory build.
OEM Website	https://www.bmw.co.za/en/all-models/m-series/m5-series/bmw-m5-sedan.html

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Ex-Showroom Starting Price	ZAR 2,782,000			1 Listed Variants
Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
M5 Sedan	Plug-In Hybrid	8-Speed Automatic	M	ZAR 2,782,000

Estimated On-Road Price — M5 Sedan (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 2,826,384
Cape Town	ZAR 2,836,030
Durban	ZAR 2,819,720
Pretoria	ZAR 2,823,052

* On-road prices are estimates including registration, road tax and insurance.

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS ✓ 535 kW and 1,000 Nm ✓ Four-door practicality ✓ Plug-in ability ✓ M xDrive traction ✓ Full-M chassis	● CONSIDERATIONS ✗ High system complexity ✗ Charging discipline required ✗ Weighted economy needs context ✗ Consumables are expensive ✗ Large mass affects city use
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Hagalu Editorial Verdict

"A complex, immensely capable executive PHEV whose charging discipline must match its performance discipline."

The G90 M5 Sedan broadens the full-M idea with 535 kW of hybrid output, four-door utility and limited electric travel. Its breadth is impressive, yet it increases rather than reduces owner responsibility. Charging must be routine, weighted fuel claims need context, and tyres, brakes, security and insurance demand serious planning. Buyers who need the body and value both power sources can make complexity worthwhile. Anyone seeking simple luxury or low-cost electrification is better served by a calmer 5 Series. A written charging and consumables plan keeps those strengths usable over time.

City Driving	Regular charging can let short urban journeys use more electric operation, reducing unnecessary engine running when conditions allow. The car remains large, heavy and immensely powerful. Test parking ramps, camera views, wheel comfort and low-speed brake blending. Use gentle inputs, keep assistance active and plan secure storage. A PHEV badge does not guarantee low city fuel use if the battery is left empty. Learn charging schedules and hybrid modes before the first commute, and confirm the cable can be secured without blocking pedestrian access.
Highway	The M5 can cover distance rapidly and comfortably, but its official weighted consumption is not a prediction for a depleted-battery motorway journey. Budget fuel honestly, plan charging only where it fits and preserve tyre and brake margins. The engine and motor make overtaking effortless; restraint, fatigue management and weather judgement remain essential. Put rear passengers and luggage into the test and assess ride and tyre noise on actual wheels. Confirm which hybrid mode best preserves energy for the urban destination without inventing an economy claim.
Off-Road	M xDrive is a road-performance system. Low bodywork, wide tyres, considerable mass and expensive components make rough tracks unsuitable. Smooth maintained gravel may be crossed cautiously after checking clearance, stones and available recovery, but corrugations and ruts expose wheels and battery underbody. Remote routes also limit charging and specialist assistance. For frequent non-tar work, an M SUV offers a more relevant starting point, though it too needs exact capability checks.
Best For	M5 Sedan is for an experienced performance buyer who also needs four doors, business-class travel and occasional electric commuting. The household needs reliable plug-in charging, secure parking and a substantial budget for insurance, tyres, brakes, fuel and specialist maintenance. Buyers wanting simple economy or an EV experience need another car; track-first drivers may prefer a smaller M.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 1 variants of the BMW M5 Sedan side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	M5 Sedan
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 2,782,000
Fuel Type	Plug-in Hybrid
Transmission	8-Speed Automatic
Trim Level	M
Engine	4395 cc (4.4L)
Max Power	430 kW (577 bhp)
Max Torque	750 Nm (553 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	RWD
Fuel Economy	16.5 km/l
Seating	5
Boot Space	466 L
Ground Clearance	140 mm
Kerb Weight	2510 kg

→ [Compare these variants on hagalu.com](#) (published prices, on-road estimates, source-backed specifications and buyer guidance)

05 BMW M5 Sedan — M5 Sedan

ZAR 2,782,000

ENGINE 4395 cc	POWER 430 kW · 577 bhp	TORQUE 750 Nm · 553 lb-ft	ECONOMY 16.5 km/l	FUEL Plug-in Hybrid 8-Speed Automatic
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M Trim · Plug-In Hybrid · 8-Speed Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	BMW M Hybrid turbocharged petrol	Engine Code	B48
Fuel Type	Plug-in Hybrid	Hybrid System	Plug-in Hybrid
Engine Displacement	4395 cc	Cylinders	8
Cylinder Layout	V	Valves	16
Valves per Cylinder	4	Aspiration	Turbocharged
Fuel System	Direct injection	Compression Ratio	10.5:1

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

LSD Available	Not Applicable	Gearbox	8-Speed Automatic
Drivetrain Layout	Rear-wheel drive	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable	Paddle Shifters	Yes
Transmission Speeds	8	Rear Differential Lock	Not Applicable
Drivetrain	RWD	Axle Layout	Yes
Low Range	Not Applicable	Low Range Ratio	Not Applicable

DIMENSIONS

Length	5096 mm	Width	1970 mm
Height	1510 mm	Wheelbase	3006 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	140 mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	125 mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	60 l	Boot/Cargo Space	466 l
Kerb Weight	2510 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	2940 kg
Payload Capacity	505 kg	Towing Capacity	2000 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Range Real World Mixed	420 km	Electric Consumption	26,1
Charging Type	AC charging	Charging Port Type	CCS Combo
Combined Driving Range	65 km (BMW stated)	Range Real World Highway	360 km
Real-world Mileage	15.0 km/l	Fuel Tank Litres	60
Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Emission Standard	Euro 6	Fuel Tank Capacity	60 l

SAFETY

Brake Assist	Standard	ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
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Child Safety Lock	Standard	Hill Start Assist	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Yes	Traction Control	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	ABS	Standard
Airbags	6	Engine Immobiliser	Standard
ABS EBD	Standard	BA	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Keyless Entry	Comfort Access	Climate Control	Standard
Power Windows	Standard	Push Button Start	Yes
Wireless Charging	Standard	Sunroof	Panoramic
Electric Tailgate	No	Rain Sensing Wipers	Yes
AC Type	Automatic 4-zone air conditioning		—

+ 12 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ [See M5 Sedan full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa](#)

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06 Explore More on Hagalu

Jump to each variant's price and specification record

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