



BYD

ATTO 3

South Africa • 2026 Hagalu Buyer's Guide

150 kW

POWER

175 mm

CLEARANCE

Not Applicable
km/l

FUEL ECON

5 seats

SEATING

ZAR 699,900 – 783,900

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

<https://www.hagalu.com/south-africa/byd/atto-3/>

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Hagalu editorial score

2 Variants

2 Priced

01 Overview & Quick Facts

The BYD ATTO 3 was BYD's first high-volume electric SUV proposition in South Africa and remains a clear entry point into the brand's dedicated-EV range. Standard Range EV costs R699,900 and uses a 49.92 kWh Blade Battery. Extended Range EV costs R783,900 and increases capacity to 60.48 kWh. Both drive the front wheels through a 150 kW motor producing 310 Nm, with an official 0-100 km/h time of 7.3 seconds. Because performance is shared, the R84,000 decision is chiefly about range and battery reserve. The Standard's published range is around 345 km under its stated cycle, while the Extended is associated with a 420 km WLTP claim in South African material. Those figures enable comparison, not guaranteed travel. Speed, temperature, gradients, air-conditioning, passengers and tyre pressure all affect consumption. A buyer whose routine rarely exceeds 150 km per day may find Standard entirely sufficient when home charging is dependable. Extended earns its premium for frequent regional trips, irregular charging access or owners who want more reserve during power or infrastructure disruptions. Buying the larger battery only to keep it permanently...



Body Style	Compact-to-medium five-seat SUV
Launched	2023
Generation	First South African ATTO 3 generation, a dedicated battery-electric five-seat SUV based on BYD's e-Platform 3.0.
Fuel Types	Electric
Colours	Surfing Blue, Cosmos Black, Climbing Grey and Skiing White are listed for both Standard Range and Extended Range.
OEM Website	https://www.byd.com/za/electric-cars/atto3

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Ex-Showroom Starting Price	ZAR 699,900 – 783,900			2 Listed Variants
Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
Standard Range EV	Electric	Single-Speed Reduction Gear	Base	ZAR 699,900
Extended Range EV	Electric	Single-Speed Reduction Gear	Top	ZAR 783,900

Estimated On-Road Price — Standard Range EV (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 719,298
Cape Town	ZAR 722,698
Durban	ZAR 716,799
Pretoria	ZAR 718,048

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

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS ✓ Two battery sizes without forced performance upgrade ✓ Shared 150 kW and 310 Nm output ✓ Useful family hatchback practicality ✓ Standard Range has attractive entry pricing ✓ Extended Range improves touring reserve ✓ Seven-point-three-second official acceleration	● CONSIDERATIONS ✗ Dependable charging remains essential ✗ Front-wheel drive only ✗ Five seats only ✗ Real range varies with speed and weather ✗ Extended costs R84,000 more ✗ Distinctive interior may divide opinion
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Hagalu Editorial Verdict

"A mature electric family crossover whose Standard and Extended batteries let buyers pay for the range they genuinely need."

The ATTO 3's strengths are simple to understand: 150 kW performance, useful family packaging, a Blade Battery, distinctive technology and a supportive warranty package. Standard Range at R699,900 is the value recommendation for predictable urban patterns with regular charging. Extended Range at R783,900 buys about 20 percent more battery capacity and a better long-distance buffer, without adding speed or traction. The car's limitations are equally clear: five seats, front-wheel drive, road-focused clearance and reliance on charging. Buyers who solve the charging question first are likely to find the rest of ownership straightforward.

City Driving	The ATTO 3's 150 kW motor makes urban gaps and hills easy, while regenerative braking can reduce fatigue in congestion. Front-wheel drive is predictable and the SUV seating position gives good traffic visibility. A charged Standard can cover substantial daily use; Extended adds margin rather than different acceleration. The rotating screen and distinctive cabin should be configured before moving, because frequent touchscreen exploration can distract. Home charging allows the car to begin each morning at a chosen limit. Drivers using only public points should consider queues, access restrictions and load-shedding effects. Cameras and sensors assist parking, but kerbs and narrow pillars still require direct observation.
Highway	Extended Range is the more convenient highway derivative because its larger battery reduces charging frequency and gives a better detour reserve. Standard can tour successfully with more planning and suitable chargers. The shared 150 kW and 310 Nm provide confident merging, but energy use rises at sustained speed. The official range must be discounted for wind, hills, rain, cabin cooling and full loads. Route planning should include a backup charger and enough reserve to reach it. A long test drive should assess seat support, tyre noise and ride over patched surfaces. The panoramic roof and climate system also contribute to consumption, although preconditioning while connected can help.
Off-Road	The SUV body can manage normal gravel and imperfect access roads at sensible speed, but front-wheel drive, road tyres and battery underbody place clear limits. The ATTO 3 is not intended for deep sand, rock crawling or water crossings without explicit official guidance. Extended's larger battery does not change traction or clearance. On maintained dirt, use smooth steering and acceleration, slow for sharp stones and inspect tyres afterward. Buyers who routinely travel far beyond recovery or charging support should select a vehicle designed for that environment. A crossover silhouette provides practicality, not invulnerability.

Best For

The ATTO 3 suits a small family, professional or couple moving to a primary electric car with reliable home charging. Standard Range fits predictable commuting, school and shopping routes with enough reserve for normal variation. Extended Range better serves drivers who regularly leave the city, live farther from dependable public chargers or cannot replenish every night. Neither is ideal for someone without secure charging, a household needing seven seats or a driver facing difficult farm tracks. The right process is to log a normal week's kilometres, identify every realistic charging point, test family cargo and price an approved wall unit. That evidence usually reveals whether the extra 10.56 kWh is valuable or simply reassuring.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 2 variants of the BYD ATTO 3 side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	Standard Range EV	Extended Range EV
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 699,900	ZAR 783,900
Fuel Type	Electric	Electric
Transmission	Single-Speed Reduction Gear	Single-Speed Reduction Gear
Trim Level	Base	Top
Engine	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Max Power	150 kW (201 bhp)	150 kW (201 bhp)
Max Torque	310 Nm (229 lb-ft)	310 Nm (229 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	FWD	FWD
Fuel Economy	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Seating	5	5
Boot Space	310 L	310 L
Ground Clearance	175 mm	175 mm
Kerb Weight	1680 kg	1750 kg

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

05 BYD ATTO 3 — Standard Range EV

ZAR 699,900

POWER 150 kW · 201 bhp	TORQUE 310 Nm · 229 lb-ft	ECONOMY Not Applicable km/l	FUEL Electric Single-Speed Reduction Gear
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Base Trim · Electric · Single-Speed Reduction Gear

View live price & EMI →

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	Single-motor battery-electric powertrain	Engine Code	Not Applicable
Fuel Type	Electric	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	Not Applicable cc	Cylinders	Not Applicable
Cylinder Layout	Not Applicable	Valves	Not Applicable
Valves per Cylinder	Not Applicable	Aspiration	Not Applicable
Fuel System	Not Applicable	Compression Ratio	Not Applicable

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

LSD Available	Not Available	Gearbox	Single-Speed Reduction Gear
Drivetrain Layout	Front motor, front-wheel drive	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Available	Paddle Shifters	Not Applicable
Transmission Speeds	1	Rear Differential Lock	Not Applicable
Drivetrain	FWD	Axle Layout	4x2
Low Range	Not Applicable	Low Range Ratio	Not Applicable

DIMENSIONS

Length	4455 mm	Width	1875 mm
Height	1615 mm	Wheelbase	2720 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	175 mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	150 mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	0 l	Boot/Cargo Space	310 l
Kerb Weight	1680 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	2090 kg
Payload Capacity	410 kg	Towing Capacity	750 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Range Real World Mixed	328 km	Electric Consumption	17.1 kWh/100 km (measured)
Charging Type	AC and DC	Charging Port Type	Type 2 AC; CCS2 DC
Combined Driving Range	345 km	Range Real World Highway	350 km
Real-world Mileage	Not Applicable km/l	Fuel Tank Litres	Not Applicable
Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Emission Standard	Not Applicable	Fuel Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l

SAFETY

Brake Assist	Standard	ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard	Hill Start Assist	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Standard	Traction Control	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	ABS	Standard
Airbags	7	Engine Immobiliser	Not Applicable
ABS EBD	Standard	BA	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Keyless Entry	Standard	Climate Control	Automatic
Power Windows	Standard	Push Button Start	Standard
Wireless Charging	Standard	Sunroof	Panoramic
Electric Tailgate	Standard	Rain Sensing Wipers	Standard
AC Type	Automatic climate control		—

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

→ See Standard Range EV full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa

Compare with rivals →

06 BYD ATTO 3 — Extended Range EV

ZAR 783,900

POWER 150 kW · 201 bhp	TORQUE 310 Nm · 229 lb-ft	ECONOMY Not Applicable km/l	FUEL Electric Single-Speed Reduction Gear
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Top Trim · Electric · Single-Speed Reduction Gear

View live price & EMI →

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	Single-motor battery-electric powertrain	Engine Code	Not Applicable
Fuel Type	Electric	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	Not Applicable cc	Cylinders	Not Applicable
Cylinder Layout	Not Applicable	Valves	Not Applicable
Valves per Cylinder	Not Applicable	Aspiration	Not Applicable
Fuel System	Not Applicable	Compression Ratio	Not Applicable

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

LSD Available	Not Available	Gearbox	Single-Speed Reduction Gear
Drivetrain Layout	Front motor, front-wheel drive	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
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Fuel Tank Capacity	0 l	Boot/Cargo Space	310 l
Kerb Weight	1750 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	2160 kg
Payload Capacity	410 kg	Towing Capacity	750 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Range Real World Mixed	390 km	Electric Consumption	15.6 kWh/100 km (WLTP)
Charging Type	AC and DC	Charging Port Type	Type 2 AC; CCS2 DC
Combined Driving Range	420 km	Range Real World Highway	310 km
Real-world Mileage	Not Applicable km/l	Fuel Tank Litres	Not Applicable
Auto Start Stop	Not Applicable	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Emission Standard	Not Applicable	Fuel Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l

SAFETY

Brake Assist	Standard	ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard	Hill Start Assist	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Standard	Traction Control	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	ABS	Standard
Airbags	7	Engine Immobiliser	Not Applicable
ABS EBD	Standard	BA	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Keyless Entry	Standard	Climate Control	Automatic
Power Windows	Standard	Push Button Start	Standard
Wireless Charging	Standard	Sunroof	Panoramic
Electric Tailgate	Standard	Rain Sensing Wipers	Standard
AC Type	Automatic climate control		—

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

→ [See Extended Range EV full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa](#)

[Compare with rivals →](#)

07 Explore More on Hagalu

Jump to each variant's price and specification record

→ [Standard Range EV](#) — ZAR 699,900

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