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# Civic RS

South Africa • 2026 Official Buyer's Guide

**1498 cc**

ENGINE

**178 kW**

POWER

**134 mm**

CLEARANCE

**16 L/100**

FUEL ECON

**5 seats**

SEATING

**ZAR 725,000**

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

<https://www.hagalu.com/south-africa/honda/civic-rs/>


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|  | 4.3 / 5.0 124 Reviews | 1 Variants | 1 Priced |
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## 01 Overview & Quick Facts

The Honda Civic RS is a current South African Sedan positioned for drivers who prefer a booted car with composed road manners and clear ownership costs. It is represented locally by 1 confirmed derivative. The confirmed local price is R725 000, which makes the value question simple: judge the equipment and ownership package against that single derivative price rather than a wide trim walk. That makes it useful to read the range as a real buying ladder, not just as one badge on a showroom menu. The South African range uses Petrol power with Automatic choices. Available engine references include 1.5L Turbo Petrol. The published output picture lists power figures around 178 kW and torque figures around 240 Nm. Drivetrain coverage includes 4x2, which is important when separating daily commuter trims from rough-road or load-focused derivatives. The derivative walk is central to the buying decision. Confirmed local versions include 1.5T RS CVT. The lower grades make sense for buyers who want the body style and warranty position at the lowest realistic monthly cost, while the higher grades are aimed at...



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| <b>Body Style</b>  | Sedan   |
| <b>Launched</b>    | 2022  |
| <b>Generation</b>  | Based on 11th generation platform   |
| <b>Fuel Types</b>  | Petrol  |
| <b>Colours</b>     | White,Black,Silver,Blue,Red, Grey   |
| <b>OEM Website</b> | <a href="https://www.honda.co.za/cars/civic">https://www.honda.co.za/cars/civic</a> |

## 02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Starting From | <b>ZAR 725,000</b> | 1 Variants Available |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|

| Variant     | Fuel   | Transmission | Trim | Ex-Showroom        |
|-------------|--------|--------------|------|--------------------|
| 1.5T RS CVT | Petrol | Automatic    | Top  | <b>ZAR 725,000</b> |

### Estimated On-Road Price — 1.5T RS CVT (Base Variant)

|                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Johannesburg</b> | <b>ZAR 744,700</b> |
| <b>Cape Town</b>    | <b>ZAR 748,175</b> |
| <b>Durban</b>       | <b>ZAR 742,150</b> |
| <b>Pretoria</b>     | <b>ZAR 743,425</b> |

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

### 03 Pros, Cons & Expert Verdict

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| <p><b>● STRENGTHS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Clear local range structure</li> <li>✓ Confirmed South African variant coverage</li> <li>✓ Useful price ladder for comparison</li> <li>✓ Powertrain choices documented by derivative</li> <li>✓ Practical body format for its segment</li> <li>✓ Ownership cover can be compared by trim</li> </ul> | <p><b>● CONSIDERATIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Best value depends heavily on trim choice</li> <li>✗ Upper grades need careful price justification</li> <li>✗ Some equipment can vary by derivative</li> <li>✗ Real-world fuel use depends on load and route</li> <li>✗ Tyre and insurance costs should be checked</li> <li>✗ Not every version suits rough-road work</li> </ul> |
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### Expert Verdict

*"Honda Civic RS is strongest when the chosen derivative matches the buyer's real Sedan use case."*

The Honda Civic RS is not a one-line recommendation; it is a range that needs to be matched carefully to the buyer. The confirmed local price is R725 000, which makes the value question simple: judge the equipment and ownership package against that single derivative price rather than a wide trim walk. The sensible approach is to start with body style and seating or load requirements, then choose the variant whose price, transmission, drivetrain and equipment fit the weekly routine. That keeps the decision grounded in ownership reality rather than showroom appeal. The fairest verdict on the Honda Civic RS is therefore use-case driven. It can be a strong South African choice when the buyer chooses the correct derivative for the intended mix of city driving, freeway work, passengers, cargo and rough-road exposure. It becomes less convincing when bought only for styling or badge appeal without checking the practical numbers and ownership costs that will matter after delivery.

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| <b>City Driving</b> | In city use the Civic RS should be judged by visibility, parking effort, stop-start comfort and the way the automatic transmission behaves in traffic. A Sedan with a sensible seating position can make daily errands easier, but buyers should still check wheel size, camera availability and low-speed ride comfort on the exact derivative they intend to buy. For the Civic RS, city use also means potholes, tight shopping-centre ramps, speed humps, heat-soaked traffic and short trips where fuel use can rise. The most comfortable derivative is the one that combines the right gearbox response, seating position and parking support with tyre sizes that do not punish everyday surfaces.                               |
| <b>Highway</b>      | On longer South African routes the Civic RS needs stable cruising manners, predictable overtaking and a cabin that does not become tiring after several hours. Published consumption references around 6.2 l/100km help frame running costs, while output references around 178 kW help explain overtaking confidence. Buyers who travel with passengers or cargo should compare the loaded feel and not rely only on solo test-drive impressions. A buyer who drives between provinces or carries family on holiday should also consider noise, seat support, spare-wheel arrangements, overtaking response and how confidently the vehicle holds speed when loaded. Those details often separate two trims that look similar on paper. |

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| <b>Off-Road</b> | The Civic RS is best treated as a road-biased vehicle for tar, suburban streets and occasional well-kept gravel. It can handle normal South African surface changes when driven sensibly, but buyers who regularly travel on sand, mud or rocky access roads should choose a purpose-built SUV or bakkie instead. Where rougher roads are part of ownership, the buyer should check tyres, underbody clearance, approach to traction control and recovery practicality before relying on the body style. If the route is mainly tar, comfort and running costs should take priority over unused off-road image. |
| <b>Best For</b> | The Honda Civic RS suits drivers who prefer a booted car with composed road manners and clear ownership costs. It is strongest for buyers who already know the body format works for their parking, family, business or leisure needs, and who now need to choose the right derivative by monthly cost, transmission, equipment and practical capability. It is less suited to shoppers who only want the lowest advertised price without checking what changes between trims.  |

## 04 Variant Comparison Matrix

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

| SPEC                | 1.5T RS CVT        |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Price (ex-showroom) | ZAR 725,000        |
| Fuel Type           | Petrol             |
| Transmission        | Automatic          |
| Trim Level          | Top                |
| Engine              | 1498 cc (1.5L)     |
| Max Power           | 178 kW (239 bhp)   |
| Max Torque          | 240 Nm (177 lb-ft) |
| Drivetrain          | 4x2                |
| Fuel Economy        | 16 km/l            |
| Seating             | 5                  |
| Boot Space          | 495 L              |
| Ground Clearance    | 134 mm             |
| Kerb Weight         | 1350 kg            |

→ [Compare these variants on hagalu.com](#) (live prices, on-road costs, real owner reviews and EMI calculator)

## 05 Honda Civic RS — 1.5T RS CVT

ZAR 725,000

|                             |                                     |  |                              |                                    |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ENGINE<br><b>1498</b><br>cc | POWER<br><b>178</b><br>kW · 239 bhp | TORQUE<br><b>240</b><br>Nm · 177 lb-ft | ECONOMY<br><b>16</b><br>km/l | FUEL<br><b>Petrol</b><br>Automatic |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|------------------------------------|

Top Trim · Petrol · Automatic

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## ENGINE &amp; PERFORMANCE

|                            |                   |                     |                                |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Engine Config              | 1.5L Turbo Petrol | EV Range            | Not Available km               |
| Engine Displacement Litres | 1.5 l l           | Engine Displacement | 1498 cc                        |
| AC Charging Time           | Not Available     | Charging Port       | Not Available                  |
| 0–100 km/h                 | 8.5 sec           | Battery Capacity    | Not Available                  |
| Engine                     | 1.5L Turbo Petrol | Engine Type         | Inline 4 Cylinder Turbocharged |
| Displacement               | 1498 cc           | Cylinders           | 4                              |

## TRANSMISSION &amp; DRIVETRAIN

|                     |                     |                         |                                    |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Number of Gears     | Not Applicable      | Transmission Type       | Continuously Variable Transmission |
| Clutch Type         | Not Applicable      | Axle Layout             | 4x2                                |
| Drivetrain          | 4x2                 | Rear Differential Lock  | Not Applicable                     |
| Transmission Speeds | Not Applicable km/h | Automatic Shift Paddles | Not Applicable                     |
| Transfer Case Guard | Not Available       | Transmission            | Automatic                          |
| 4WD Engagement      | Not Applicable      | Transmission            | CVT Automatic                      |

## DIMENSIONS

|                         |                   |                      |                   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Ground Clearance Mm     | 134 mm            | Height Mm            | 1415 mm           |
| Length Mm               | 4678 mm           | Loadbox Length Mm    | Not Applicable mm |
| Loadbox Width Mm        | Not Applicable mm | Gross Vehicle Weight | 1800 kg           |
| Kerb Weight             | 1350 kg           | Height               | 1415 mm           |
| Max Payload             | Not Applicable kg | Number of Doors      | 4                 |
| Boot Space Seats Folded | 495 l             | Rear Shoulder Room   | Not Applicable mm |

## MILEAGE &amp; EFFICIENCY

|                      |                |                      |                  |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Combined Consumption | 6.2            | Fuel Efficiency      | 16 l/100km       |
| AC Charging Power    | Not Applicable | Low Range Ratio      | Not Applicable   |
| Auto Start Stop      | Standard       | AdBlue Tank Capacity | Not Applicable l |
| Emission Standard    | Euro 6         | Fuel Tank Capacity   | 47 l             |
| Highway Mileage      | 16 km/l        | City Mileage         | 12 km/l          |
| Fuel Type            | Petrol         | Fuel Tank Litres     | 47               |

## SAFETY

|                       |               |                   |          |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------|----------|
| Hill Start Assist     | Standard      | TCS               | Standard |
| Brake Override System | Not Available | Child Safety Lock | Standard |

|                              |               |                  |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| ISOFIX Mounts                | Standard      | Anti Theft Alarm | Standard      |
| Brake Assist                 | Standard      | Curtain Airbags  | Not Available |
| Hill Descent Control         | Not Available | Traction Control | Standard      |
| Electronic Stability Control | Standard      | ABS              | Standard      |

## COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

|                     |                           |                   |                |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Skid Plates         | Not Available             | Service Plan      | 24 Months      |
| Seatbelt Reminder   | Not Available             | Seat Type         | Sport Seats    |
| Ride Mode Selection | Standard                  | Rear Seat Split   | 60:40          |
| Push Button Start   | Standard                  | Power Mirrors     | All Doors Auto |
| Panoramic Roof      | Electric Sunroof          | Accelerator 0 100 | 8.5 sec        |
| Air Conditioning    | Dual Zone Climate Control | Launch Control    | Not Available  |

+ 13 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ [See 1.5T RS CVT full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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Jump to live prices for each variant

→ 1.5T RS CVT — ZAR 725,000

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