



HYUNDAI

Creta

South Africa • 2026 Official Buyer's Guide

1493 cc

ENGINE

85 kW

POWER

200 mm

CLEARANCE

21.5 L/100

FUEL ECON

5 seats

SEATING

ZAR 407,900 – 516,900

Ex-Showroom Starting Price


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01 Overview & Quick Facts

The Hyundai Creta is Hyundai's entry into the compact SUV segment, competing directly with Toyota Corolla Cross and VW T-Cross. It's a technically modern vehicle with features and technology that exceed the price point, making it compelling for budget-conscious buyers wanting maximum spec-per-rand. The 1.5-litre turbocharged petrol engine delivers 103 kilowatts and 250 newton-metres—more power than natural aspirated competitors of similar displacement. Real-world fuel economy sits around 6.0-6.8 litres per 100km mixed driving. The automatic transmission is smooth and responsive in daily driving. Interior is noticeably more premium than Corolla Cross—better materials, intuitive controls, and a larger touchscreen that responds properly. Ground clearance at 200mm handles typical potholes and farm tracks without concern. The cabin is airy with excellent all-around visibility. Seating is comfortable for family use. The infotainment system integrates smartphone connectivity effectively. Hyundai's challenge is dealer network density—they're less established in rural areas than Toyota. This matters less in metropolitan Gauteng or Western Cape. New car pricing sits around R330,000-R400,000, making it significantly cheaper than RAV4 while offering more features than Corolla Cross. The used market is developing...



Body Style	SUV
Launched	2016
Generation	Second generation Creta built on Hyundai's i-GMP platform; the SA model is a popular variant shared with several emerging markets
Fuel Types	Petrol, Diesel
Colours	White, Black, Silver, Red, Blue, Grey
OEM Website	https://www.hyundai.com/za/en/

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Starting From	ZAR 407,900 – 516,900	4 Variants Available
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
1.5 IVT Motion	Petrol	Automatic	Motion	ZAR 407,900
1.5 IVT Fluid	Petrol	Automatic	Fluid	ZAR 456,900
1.5T DCT N Line	Petrol	Automatic	N-Line	ZAR 516,900
1.5D MT Motion	Diesel	Manual	Motion	ZAR 443,900

Estimated On-Road Price — 1.5 IVT Motion (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 423,794
Cape Town	ZAR 426,318
Durban	ZAR 421,879
Pretoria	ZAR 422,836

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

03 Pros, Cons & Expert Verdict

<p>● STRENGTHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Reliability is demonstrated through proven engineering and market operation. ✓ Service costs remain reasonable through dealer and independent networks. ✓ Fuel economy sits within realistic ranges for segment class. ✓ Interior space accommodates family use across most configurations. ✓ Resale values develop as market recognizes vehicle positioning. ✓ Safety features include modern systems addressing real-world hazard scenarios. 	<p>● CONSIDERATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Depreciation follows segment patterns, with steeper loss during initial ownership years. ✗ Interior materials prioritize function over premium perception. ✗ Styling appears understated compared to visually aggressive competitors. ✗ Technology features may lag premium competitors in sophistication. ✗ Off-road capability remains basic for adventure-focused buyers. ✗ Boot space modest for the segment
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Expert Verdict

"Well-rounded compact SUV that genuinely suits most SA buyers' needs"

The Creta is the practical choice for buyers prioritizing premium experience. It delivers genuine capability without requiring premium pricing or exotic maintenance. Resale values develop as market recognition grows. The used market becomes increasingly active as ownership examples accumulate. For buyers seeking dependable, honest transport, the Creta represents genuine value.

City Driving	Urban driving reveals competent engineering. Visibility is adequate for metropolitan traffic navigation. Parking assistance systems help genuinely in tight spaces. Air conditioning operates properly in South African summer heat. The driving position commands authority without excessive height. Interior layout remains intuitive through extended city driving. Audio systems integrate smartphone connectivity. Climate control maintains comfort in traffic-heavy commutes. Steering is responsive enough for urban maneuvers. Fuel consumption in city traffic remains predictable and manageable. The vehicle functions reliably through daily metropolitan use, delivering comfort during extended urban residence.
Highway	Highway driving confirms engineering integrity. At 120 km/h cruising, engine operation is relaxed and refined. Road noise remains controlled through wind and tire sound management. Fuel economy stabilizes within predictable consumption ranges. The transmission settles into efficient cruising operation. Comfort extends across multi-hour driving periods. Seating provides proper support without requiring frequent adjustment. Climate control maintains consistent cabin temperature. The ride quality balances bump compliance with directional stability. Highway safety systems function predictably without intrusive interventions. Extended highway driving confirms the vehicle's suitability for regional travel between major centers.
Off-Road	Off-road access ranges from basic to moderate depending on configuration. Ground clearance handles typical farm gates and low obstacles. Gravel roads present no challenge for standard variants. Basic farm tracks are traversable for most configurations. Rough terrain requires appropriate driving technique rather than extreme capability. The vehicle functions adequately for recreational off-road scenarios without specialization for rock crawling.

Best For

Families, urban professionals, buyers doing mixed city and highway use, diesel enthusiasts doing high mileage

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 4 variants of the Hyundai Creta side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	1.5 IVT Motion	1.5 IVT Fluid	1.5T DCT N Line	1.5D MT Motion
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 407,900	ZAR 456,900	ZAR 516,900	ZAR 443,900
Fuel Type	Petrol	Petrol	Petrol	Diesel
Transmission	Automatic	Automatic	Automatic	Manual
Trim Level	Motion	Fluid	N-Line	Motion
Engine	1497 cc (1.5L)	1497 cc (1.5L)	1482 cc (1.5L)	1493 cc (1.5L)
Max Power	85 kW (114 bhp)	85 kW (114 bhp)	120 kW (161 bhp)	85 kW (114 bhp)
Max Torque	144 Nm (106 lb-ft)	144 Nm (106 lb-ft)	253 Nm (187 lb-ft)	250 Nm (184 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	Front-Wheel Drive	Front-Wheel Drive	Front-Wheel Drive	Front-Wheel Drive
Fuel Economy	16.8 km/l	16.8 km/l	14.5 km/l	21.5 km/l
Seating	5	5	5	5
Boot Space	433 L	433 L	433 L	433 L
Ground Clearance	200 mm	200 mm	195 mm	200 mm
Kerb Weight	1350 kg	1365 kg	1420 kg	1395 kg

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

05 Hyundai Creta — 1.5 IVT Motion

ZAR 407,900

ENGINE 1497 cc	POWER 85 kW · 114 bhp	TORQUE 144 Nm · 106 lb-ft	ECONOMY 16.8 km/l	FUEL Petrol Automatic
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Motion Trim · Petrol · Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5 MPI Naturally Aspirated	Engine Type	Petrol
Displacement	1497 cc	Cylinders	4
Power	85 kW	Torque	144 Nm
Fuel System	Multi-Point Fuel Injection	Turbocharger	No
Top Speed	175 km/h	0-100 km/h	11.5 sec
Power @ RPM	6300	Torque @ RPM	4500

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	IVT Intelligent Variable Transmission	Drive Type	Front-Wheel Drive
Drivetrain Layout	FWD	Paddle Shifters	No
Transfer Case	None (FWD)	LSD Available	No
Differential Lock	No	Transmission Type	Automatic
Number of Gears	7	Final Drive Ratio	Available
Steering Turns Lock to Lock	Available	Clutch Type	Available

DIMENSIONS

Length	4330 mm	Width	1790 mm
Height	1635 mm	Wheelbase	2610 mm
Ground Clearance	200 mm	Kerb Weight	1350 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Boot Space	433 l
Rear Track Width	1521 mm mm	Gross Vehicle Weight	1860 kg
Front Track Width	1524 mm mm	Turning Radius	5.3 m

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	16.8 km/l	City Mileage	13.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	20.0 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	50 l
Emission Standard	Euro 6	Auto Start Stop	No
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable I	Claimed Fuel Consumption	6.8 l/100km
Average Fuel Consumption	Yes	Distance To Empty	Yes
Low Fuel Warning	Yes	Fuel Efficiency	Available l/100km

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Yes
Electronic Stability Control	Yes	Traction Control	Yes

Hill Start Assist	Yes	Hill Descent Control	Yes
ISOFIX Mounts	Yes	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes
Engine Immobiliser	Yes	Central Locking	Yes
Brake Assist	Yes	Child Safety Lock	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Manual AC	Power Windows	All
Keyless Entry	Yes	Push Button Start	Yes
Electric Tailgate	No	Auto Dimming Mirror	No
Sunroof	No	Automatic Headlamps	No
Wireless Charging	No	Rain Sensing Wipers	No
Rear Window Defroster	Yes	Follow Me Home Headlamps	Yes

+ 11 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

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

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06 Hyundai Creta — 1.5 IVT Fluid

ZAR 456,900

ENGINE 1497 cc	POWER 85 kW · 114 bhp	TORQUE 144 Nm · 106 lb-ft	ECONOMY 16.8 km/l	FUEL Petrol Automatic
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Fluid Trim · Petrol · Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5 MPI Naturally Aspirated	Engine Type	Petrol
Displacement	1497 cc	Cylinders	4
Power	85 kW	Torque	144 Nm
Fuel System	Multi-Point Fuel Injection	Turbocharger	No
Top Speed	175 km/h	0-100 km/h	11.5 sec
Power @ RPM	6300	Torque @ RPM	4500

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	IVT Intelligent Variable Transmission	Drive Type	Front-Wheel Drive
Drivetrain Layout	FWD	Paddle Shifters	No
Transfer Case	None (FWD)	LSD Available	No
Differential Lock	No	Transmission Type	Automatic
Number of Gears	7	Final Drive Ratio	Available
Steering Turns Lock to Lock	Available	Clutch Type	Available

DIMENSIONS

Length	4330 mm	Width	1790 mm
Height	1635 mm	Wheelbase	2610 mm
Ground Clearance	200 mm	Kerb Weight	1365 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Boot Space	433 l
Rear Track Width	1521 mm mm	Gross Vehicle Weight	1860 kg
Front Track Width	1524 mm mm	Turning Radius	5.3 m

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	16.8 km/l	City Mileage	13.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	20.0 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	50 l
Emission Standard	Euro 6	Auto Start Stop	No
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable I	Claimed Fuel Consumption	6.8 l/100km
Average Fuel Consumption	Yes	Distance To Empty	Yes
Low Fuel Warning	Yes	Fuel Efficiency	Available l/100km

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Yes
Electronic Stability Control	Yes	Traction Control	Yes

Hill Start Assist	Yes	Hill Descent Control	Yes
ISOFIX Mounts	Yes	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes
Engine Immobiliser	Yes	Central Locking	Yes
Brake Assist	Yes	Child Safety Lock	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Dual Zone Auto Climate	Power Windows	All
Keyless Entry	Yes	Push Button Start	Yes
Wireless Charging	Yes	Sunroof	Electric Panoramic Sunroof
Electric Tailgate	No	Auto Dimming Mirror	No
Automatic Headlamps	Yes	Rain Sensing Wipers	No
Rear Window Defroster	Yes	Follow Me Home Headlamps	Yes

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07 Hyundai Creta — 1.5T DCT N Line

ZAR 516,900

ENGINE 1482 cc	POWER 120 kW · 161 bhp	TORQUE 253 Nm · 187 lb-ft	ECONOMY 14.5 km/l	FUEL Petrol Automatic
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N-Line Trim · Petrol · Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5 T-GDI Turbo	Engine Type	Petrol
Displacement	1482 cc	Cylinders	4
Power	120 kW	Torque	253 Nm
Fuel System	Direct Injection	Turbocharger	Yes
Top Speed	210 km/h	0-100 km/h	8.5 sec
Power @ RPM	6000	Torque @ RPM	1500

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	7-speed DCT Dual Clutch Automatic	Drive Type	Front-Wheel Drive
Drivetrain Layout	FWD	Paddle Shifters	Yes
Transfer Case	None (FWD)	LSD Available	No
Differential Lock	No	Transmission Type	Automatic
Number of Gears	7	Final Drive Ratio	Available
Steering Turns Lock to Lock	Available	Clutch Type	Available

DIMENSIONS

Length	4330 mm	Width	1790 mm
Height	1620 mm	Wheelbase	2610 mm
Ground Clearance	195 mm	Kerb Weight	1420 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Boot Space	433 l
Rear Track Width	1521 mm mm	Gross Vehicle Weight	1860 kg
Front Track Width	1524 mm mm	Turning Radius	5.3 m

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	14.5 km/l	City Mileage	11.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	17.5 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	50 l
Emission Standard	Euro 6	Auto Start Stop	Yes
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Claimed Fuel Consumption	6.8 l/100km
Average Fuel Consumption	Yes	Distance To Empty	Yes
Low Fuel Warning	Yes	Fuel Efficiency	Available l/100km

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Yes
Electronic Stability Control	Yes	Traction Control	Yes

Hill Start Assist	Yes	Hill Descent Control	Yes
ISOFIX Mounts	Yes	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes
Engine Immobiliser	Yes	Central Locking	Yes
Brake Assist	Yes	Child Safety Lock	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Dual Zone Auto Climate	Power Windows	All
Keyless Entry	Yes	Push Button Start	Yes
Wireless Charging	15W Wireless	Sunroof	Electric Panoramic Sunroof
Electric Tailgate	No	Auto Dimming Mirror	No
Automatic Headlamps	Yes	Rain Sensing Wipers	No
Rear Window Defroster	Yes	Follow Me Home Headlamps	Yes

+ 11 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

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08 Hyundai Creta — 1.5D MT Motion

ZAR 443,900

ENGINE 1493 cc	POWER 85 kW · 114 bhp	TORQUE 250 Nm · 184 lb-ft	ECONOMY 21.5 km/l	FUEL Diesel Manual
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Motion Trim · Diesel · Manual

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5 U2 CRDi Diesel	Engine Type	Diesel
Displacement	1493 cc	Cylinders	4
Power	85 kW	Torque	250 Nm
Fuel System	Common Rail Direct Injection	Turbocharger	Yes
Top Speed	180 km/h	0-100 km/h	11.0 sec
Power @ RPM	4000	Torque @ RPM	1500

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	6-speed Manual	Drive Type	Front-Wheel Drive
Drivetrain Layout	FWD	Paddle Shifters	No
Transfer Case	None (FWD)	LSD Available	No
Differential Lock	No	Transmission Type	Manual
Number of Gears	7	Clutch Type	Single Plate Diaphragm
Final Drive Ratio	3.909:1	Steering Turns Lock to Lock	Available

DIMENSIONS

Length	4330 mm	Width	1790 mm
Height	1635 mm	Wheelbase	2610 mm
Ground Clearance	200 mm	Kerb Weight	1395 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Boot Space	433 l
Rear Track Width	1521 mm mm	Gross Vehicle Weight	1860 kg
Front Track Width	1524 mm mm	Turning Radius	5.3 m

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	21.5 km/l	City Mileage	17.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	25.0 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	50 l
Emission Standard	Euro 6	Auto Start Stop	No
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Claimed Fuel Consumption	6.8 l/100km
Average Fuel Consumption	Yes	Distance To Empty	Yes
Low Fuel Warning	Yes	Fuel Efficiency	Available l/100km

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Yes
Electronic Stability Control	Yes	Traction Control	Yes

Hill Start Assist	Yes	Hill Descent Control	Yes
ISOFIX Mounts	Yes	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes
Engine Immobiliser	Yes	Central Locking	Yes
Brake Assist	Yes	Child Safety Lock	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Manual AC	Power Windows	All
Keyless Entry	Yes	Push Button Start	Yes
Electric Tailgate	No	Auto Dimming Mirror	No
Sunroof	No	Automatic Headlamps	No
Wireless Charging	No	Rain Sensing Wipers	No
Rear Window Defroster	Yes	Follow Me Home Headlamps	Yes

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→ 1.5 IVT Fluid — ZAR 456,900

→ 1.5T DCT N Line — ZAR 516,900

→ 1.5D MT Motion — ZAR 443,900

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