



HYUNDAI

i30

South Africa • 2026 Official Buyer's Guide

1998 cc

ENGINE

202 kW

POWER

130 mm

CLEARANCE

11.2 L/100

FUEL ECON

5 seats

SEATING

ZAR 432,900 – 688,900

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

<https://www.hagalu.com/south-africa/hyundai/i30/>

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01 Overview & Quick Facts

The I30 is a practical vehicle offering reliable performance in its segment. Engineered for South African driving conditions with attention to durability and real-world usability. The modern powertrain delivers adequate performance for daily commuting, weekend adventures, and practical family transport. Interior design prioritizes comfort and functionality. Build quality is solid with proven reliability backing every vehicle sold in South Africa. New car pricing is accessible for target buyers. The vehicle attracts owners seeking dependable transport without premium complexity. The I30 represents a genuine evolution in its segment, balancing practical daily usability with longer-term ownership satisfaction. In South Africa's diverse driving conditions—from metropolitan congestion to regional highways to occasional rough tracks—this vehicle delivers competence across the spectrum. Market positioning places the I30 as a premium vehicle for buyers prioritizing premium refinement. Reliability underpins ownership satisfaction—this vehicle won't surprise you with premature failures or component issues. Ownership costs align with realistic expectations. Service intervals are reasonable. Parts availability is reliable. Dealer networks exist where you need them. For five-year ownership, total cost of ownership—including fuel, maintenance, insurance, and depreciation—sits comfortably within segment...



Body Style	Hatchback
Launched	2007
Generation	Third generation i30 on Hyundai's i-GMP-derived platform; the N Performance uses a more heavily engineered chassis with limited-slip differential and performance suspension
Fuel Types	Petrol
Colours	White, Black, Silver, Blue, Red, Yellow (N Performance)
OEM Website	https://www.hyundai.com/za/en/

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Starting From	ZAR 432,900 – 688,900	3 Variants Available
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
1.0T Motion	Petrol	Manual	Motion	ZAR 432,900
1.0T Fluid	Petrol	Manual	Fluid	ZAR 468,900
2.0 N Performance	Petrol	Manual	N-Performance	ZAR 688,900

Estimated On-Road Price — 1.0T Motion (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 449,094
Cape Town	ZAR 451,693
Durban	ZAR 447,129
Pretoria	ZAR 448,111

* 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.
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Expert Verdict

"Two very different cars under one name — buy the N if you want to drive, the 1.0T if you want to commute"

The I30 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 I30 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	Standard variants: practical buyers wanting a European-feeling hatchback; N Performance: driving enthusiasts who want maximum fun-per-rand from a hot hatch

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 3 variants of the Hyundai i30 side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	1.0T Motion	1.0T Fluid	2.0 N Performance
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 432,900	ZAR 468,900	ZAR 688,900
Fuel Type	Petrol	Petrol	Petrol
Transmission	Manual	Manual	Manual
Trim Level	Motion	Fluid	N-Performance
Engine	998 cc (1.0L)	998 cc (1.0L)	1998 cc (2.0L)
Max Power	88 kW (118 bhp)	88 kW (118 bhp)	202 kW (271 bhp)
Max Torque	172 Nm (127 lb-ft)	172 Nm (127 lb-ft)	392 Nm (289 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	Front-Wheel Drive	Front-Wheel Drive	Front-Wheel Drive
Fuel Economy	17.2 km/l	16.9 km/l	11.2 km/l
Seating	5	5	5
Boot Space	395 L	395 L	381 L
Ground Clearance	135 mm	135 mm	130 mm
Kerb Weight	1270 kg	1285 kg	1435 kg

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

05 Hyundai i30 — 1.0T Motion

ZAR 432,900

ENGINE 998 cc	POWER 88 kW · 118 bhp	TORQUE 172 Nm · 127 lb-ft	ECONOMY 17.2 km/l	FUEL Petrol Manual
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Motion Trim · Petrol · Manual

[View live price & EMI →](#)

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.0 T-GDI Turbo	Engine Type	Petrol
Displacement	998 cc	Cylinders	3
Power	88 kW	Torque	172 Nm
Fuel System	Direct Injection	Turbocharger	Yes
Top Speed	190 km/h	0-100 km/h	10.8 sec
Power @ RPM	5500	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	8	Final Drive Ratio	Available
Steering Turns Lock to Lock	Available	Clutch Type	Available

DIMENSIONS

Length	4340 mm	Width	1795 mm
Height	1455 mm	Wheelbase	2650 mm
Ground Clearance	135 mm	Kerb Weight	1270 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Boot Space	395 l
Rear Track Width	1546 mm mm	Gross Vehicle Weight	1780 kg kg
Front Track Width	1569 mm mm	Turning Radius	5.4 m m

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	17.2 km/l	City Mileage	14.0 km/l
Highway Mileage	20.5 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	50 l
Emission Standard	Euro 6	Auto Start Stop	Yes
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Average Fuel Consumption	Yes
Distance To Empty	Yes	Low Fuel Warning	Yes
Claimed Fuel Consumption	Available l/100km	Fuel Efficiency	Available l/100km

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Yes
Electronic Stability Control	Yes	Traction Control	Yes
Hill Start Assist	Yes	ISOFIX Mounts	Yes

Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Yes
Central Locking	Yes	Brake Assist	Yes
Child Safety Lock	Yes	Side Impact Beams	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Manual AC	Power Windows	All
Keyless Entry	Yes	Push Button Start	No
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 1.0T Motion full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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06 Hyundai i30 — 1.0T Fluid

ZAR 468,900

ENGINE 998 cc	POWER 88 kW · 118 bhp	TORQUE 172 Nm · 127 lb-ft	ECONOMY 16.9 km/l	FUEL Petrol Manual
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Fluid Trim · Petrol · Manual

[View live price & EMI →](#)

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.0 T-GDI Turbo	Engine Type	Petrol
Displacement	998 cc	Cylinders	3
Power	88 kW	Torque	172 Nm
Fuel System	Direct Injection	Turbocharger	Yes
Top Speed	190 km/h	0-100 km/h	10.8 sec
Power @ RPM	5500	Torque @ RPM	1500

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	7-speed DCT Dual Clutch	Drive Type	Front-Wheel Drive
Drivetrain Layout	FWD	Paddle Shifters	Yes
Transfer Case	None (FWD)	LSD Available	No
Differential Lock	No	Transmission Type	Manual
Number of Gears	8	Final Drive Ratio	Available
Steering Turns Lock to Lock	Available	Clutch Type	Available

DIMENSIONS

Length	4340 mm	Width	1795 mm
Height	1455 mm	Wheelbase	2650 mm
Ground Clearance	135 mm	Kerb Weight	1285 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Boot Space	395 l
Rear Track Width	1546 mm mm	Gross Vehicle Weight	1780 kg kg
Front Track Width	1569 mm mm	Turning Radius	5.4 m m

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	16.9 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	Yes
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Average Fuel Consumption	Yes
Distance To Empty	Yes	Low Fuel Warning	Yes
Claimed Fuel Consumption	Available l/100km	Fuel Efficiency	Available l/100km

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Yes
Electronic Stability Control	Yes	Traction Control	Yes
Hill Start Assist	Yes	ISOFIX Mounts	Yes

Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Yes
Central Locking	Yes	Brake Assist	Yes
Child Safety Lock	Yes	Side Impact Beams	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Dual Zone Auto Climate	Power Windows	All
Keyless Entry	Yes	Push Button Start	Yes
Wireless Charging	Yes	Sunroof	Electric 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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→ [See 1.0T Fluid full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

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07 Hyundai i30 — 2.0 N Performance

ZAR 688,900

ENGINE 1998 cc	POWER 202 kW · 271 bhp	TORQUE 392 Nm · 289 lb-ft	ECONOMY 11.2 km/l	FUEL Petrol Manual
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N-Performance Trim · Petrol · Manual

[View live price & EMI →](#)

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.0 T-GDI Turbo N	Engine Type	Petrol
Displacement	1998 cc	Cylinders	4
Power	202 kW	Torque	392 Nm
Fuel System	Direct Injection	Turbocharger	Yes
Top Speed	250 km/h	0-100 km/h	5.4 sec
Power @ RPM	6000	Torque @ RPM	2100

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	6-speed Manual N	Drive Type	Front-Wheel Drive
Drivetrain Layout	FWD	Paddle Shifters	No
LSD Available	Electronic LSD	Transfer Case	None (FWD + e-LSD)
Differential Lock	Electronic LSD (e-LSD)	Transmission Type	Manual
Number of Gears	8	Final Drive Ratio	Available
Steering Turns Lock to Lock	Available	Clutch Type	Available

DIMENSIONS

Length	4340 mm	Width	1795 mm
Height	1450 mm	Wheelbase	2650 mm
Ground Clearance	130 mm	Kerb Weight	1435 kg
Seating Capacity	5	Boot Space	381 l
Rear Track Width	1546 mm mm	Gross Vehicle Weight	1780 kg kg
Front Track Width	1569 mm mm	Turning Radius	5.4 m m

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	11.2 km/l	City Mileage	8.8 km/l
Highway Mileage	14.0 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	50 l
Emission Standard	Euro 6	Auto Start Stop	Yes
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Average Fuel Consumption	Yes
Distance To Empty	Yes	Low Fuel Warning	Yes
Claimed Fuel Consumption	Available l/100km	Fuel Efficiency	Available l/100km

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Yes
Electronic Stability Control	Yes — N Corner Carving Diff Mode	Traction Control	Yes
Hill Start Assist	Yes	ISOFIX Mounts	Yes

Tyre Pressure Monitor	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Yes
Central Locking	Yes	Brake Assist	Yes
Child Safety Lock	Yes	Side Impact Beams	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

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

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Jump to live prices for each variant

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→ [1.0T Fluid](#) — ZAR 468,900

→ [2.0 N Performance](#) — ZAR 688,900

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