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Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab

South Africa • 2026 Official Buyer's Guide

ZAR 801,000 – 870,000

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

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01 Overview & Quick Facts

The Toyota Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab sits in the South African market as a heavy-duty Toyota Land Cruiser with a second row. It is not a car to understand only by its badge; it makes more sense when viewed through the job it is expected to do. For many shoppers that job is carrying work gear, towing, rural use and weekend family jobs. Adds passenger space to the remote-road formula, so the strongest buying case comes from matching the body style, fuel type and grade to the week the vehicle will actually live through. In the current South African range the Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab as a pickup with diesel power. That combination gives the buyer a useful starting point. A bakkie buyer will think about payload, towing and surface durability. An SUV buyer will care about seating comfort, visibility and long-trip luggage space. A van or bus buyer will look harder at door openings, uptime and passenger or cargo layout. The same model badge can therefore mean different things to a private owner, a fleet manager and...



Body Style	Pickup
Generation	Current South African Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab listing; generation notes should be kept tied to the local model year and confirmed derivative data.
Fuel Types	Diesel
Colours	Colour availability changes by model year, production batch and dealer stock; check the current colour selector before ordering.
OEM Website	https://www.toyota.co.za/vehicles/land-cruiser-79-double-cab

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Starting From	ZAR 801,000 – 870,000	2 Variants Available
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
2.8 GD Double Cab MT	Diesel	Manual	Base	ZAR 801,000
4.0 V6 Double Cab MT	Petrol	Manual	Mid	ZAR 870,000

Estimated On-Road Price — 2.8 GD Double Cab MT (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 821,612
Cape Town	ZAR 825,315
Durban	ZAR 818,910
Pretoria	ZAR 820,261

* 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"> ✓ Clear bakkie role for carrying work gear, towing, rural use and weekend family jobs. ✓ Useful body style for South African ownership conditions. ✓ Derivative choice can be matched to budget and use. ✓ Straightforward comparison when fuel type and gearbox are checked carefully. ✓ Good fit for shoppers who prioritise practical ownership over image. ✓ Can support clean model pages when prices and specs stay current. 	<p>● CONSIDERATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Final equipment can vary by derivative and model year. ✗ Colour and accessory availability may differ by dealer stock. ✗ Some buyers may need a more specialised grade for towing, payload or rough-road use. ✗ Full confidence still depends on the latest local price list and specification sheet. ✗ Running costs depend heavily on route, load and driving style.
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Expert Verdict

"Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab is strongest when its body style and derivative match the buyer's real work."

The Toyota Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab is a sensible shortlist item when its practical role is clear. It should not be bought only because of badge familiarity or a high equipment count. The better approach is to compare the exact grade, price, drivetrain and ownership terms against the job it must do every week. The fairest verdict on the Toyota Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab 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.

City Driving	In city use, the Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab should be judged on loading needs, parking length, rear visibility and how easily it copes with tight streets. A good daily vehicle must be easy to place in traffic, comfortable in heat, and simple to live with when parking, loading people or dealing with short trips. For the Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab, 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.
Highway	On highways, look at overtaking confidence, cabin noise, loaded stability and fuel range. Long South African trips expose weak seats, noisy cabins and engines that work too hard, so cruising comfort and range matter as much as headline equipment. 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.

Off-Road	For rough-road use, check gravel roads, work sites, farm tracks and muddy access roads. A raised body or tough badge is useful only when the tyres, clearance, drivetrain and load rating support the roads the owner actually drives. 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.
Best For	The best buyer for the Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab is someone who has a clear use case: carrying work gear, towing, rural use and weekend family jobs. It suits shoppers who compare practical ownership needs before paying for extra trim or image. For the Toyota Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab, the best buyer is someone who can match the vehicle to a known routine instead of shopping only by advertised price or exterior style.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 2 variants of the Toyota Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	2.8 GD Double Cab MT	4.0 V6 Double Cab MT
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 801,000	ZAR 870,000
Fuel Type	Diesel	Petrol
Transmission	Manual	Manual
Trim Level	Base	Mid
Engine	—	—
Max Power	—	—
Max Torque	—	—
Drivetrain	—	—
Fuel Economy	—	—
Seating	—	—
Boot Space	—	—
Ground Clearance	—	—
Kerb Weight	—	—

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

05 Toyota Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab — 2.8 GD Double Cab MT

ZAR 801,000

FUEL

Diesel

Manual

Base Trim · Diesel · Manual

[View live price & EMI →](#)

→ [See 2.8 GD Double Cab MT full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

[Compare with rivals →](#)

06 Toyota Land Cruiser 79 Double Cab — 4.0 V6
Double Cab MT

ZAR 870,000

FUEL

Petrol

Manual

Mid Trim · Petrol · Manual

[View live price & EMI →](#)

→ [See 4.0 V6 Double Cab MT full specs, live price & on-road costs in South Africa](#)

[Compare with rivals →](#)

07 Explore More on Hagalu

Jump to live prices for each variant

→ 2.8 GD Double Cab MT — ZAR 801,000

→ 4.0 V6 Double Cab MT — ZAR 870,000

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