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Hiace/Commuter

Uganda • 2026 Hagalu Buyer's Guide

2494 cc

ENGINE

75 kW

POWER

195 mm

CLEARANCE

12.5 km/l

FUEL ECON

15 seats

SEATING

UGX 189,600,000 – 200,400,000

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

<https://www.hagalu.com/uganda/toyota/hiace-commuter/>

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Source-backed	No rating inferred	2 Variants	2 Priced
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01 Overview & Quick Facts

One fewer seat can be the better choice. Toyota Uganda's Hiace passenger range illustrates why a minibus should be selected from the inside out: the local catalogue includes a 15-seat DLX and a 14-seat DLX Plus, both with a 2.5-litre diesel engine and manual transmission. Their different layouts deserve a closer look than a simple ranking by passenger capacity. A staff shuttle, hotel transfer and school run do not ask the same things of a bus. Begin with the people who will use it. Can they reach their seats without climbing across one another? Is there a sensible place for bags? Can the driver or accompanying adult supervise boarding? A vehicle that looks spacious when empty can become awkward once every passenger has a school bag, laptop case or suitcase. The answer is not to fill the aisle; it is to choose a layout that accommodates the actual journey. The two Uganda derivatives share a published output of 75 kW and 260 Nm. Rear-wheel drive and a manual gearbox keep the driving arrangement distinct from the automatic SUVs many private...



Body Style	Van
Fuel Types	Diesel
OEM Website	https://www.toyota.co.ug/en/vehicles/toyota-uganda/hiace

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Ex-Showroom Starting Price	UGX 189,600,000 – 200,400,000			2 Listed Variants
Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
Hiace Bus 2.5L 15-Seats MT DLX	Diesel	5-Speed Manual	Dlx	UGX 189,600,000
Hiace 2.5L Bus 14-Seats MT DLX PLUS	Diesel	5-Speed Manual	Dlx Plus	UGX 200,400,000

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS ✓ Two named Uganda passenger derivatives to compare ✓ Published diesel output for the exact local range ✓ Smaller-group alternative to a full Coaster bus ✓ Different seating layouts allow a more deliberate transport choice	● CONSIDERATIONS ✗ Manual transmission needs consideration for intensive shuttle duty ✗ Seat count alone does not show luggage or access practicality ✗ Passenger restraint arrangements differ between derivatives ✗ Rear-wheel-drive layout limits suitability for difficult rural access
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Buyer Summary

"Choose between the DLX and DLX Plus by the passenger layout and route, not by counting seats in isolation."

The 2.5-litre Hiace passenger range offers a clear starting point for organised group travel in Uganda. Its two named local derivatives make a proper comparison possible, but they need to be inspected as different layouts. A buyer should prioritise approved seating, restraint arrangements, luggage and access before small comfort extras. The right Hiace is the one that serves a defined journey safely and consistently. When the expected group or its baggage grows beyond that layout, a larger bus becomes a more sensible comparison.

City Driving	A shuttle spends a surprising amount of time stopped while people get in and out. Choose collection points with safe space beside the door and consider how the queue will move. The driver needs a clear view before pulling away, especially near schools and crowded compounds. On a demonstration, practise the actual boarding routine rather than judging the bus only from the front seat.
Highway	Intercity work makes luggage and seating comfort especially important. Have adults try the seats they will regularly use and establish where their bags will go without blocking access. Build rest stops and realistic journey times into the service. A diesel manual bus can suit scheduled group transport, but passenger comfort depends on the chosen layout, load and driving routine rather than the Hiace badge alone.
Off-Road	These Uganda passenger derivatives are rear-wheel drive. They are not equivalents to four-wheel-drive Land Cruiser personnel carriers when a route becomes soft, steep or deeply rutted. Visit the difficult parts of a rural route before choosing the bus, including wet-weather access to the final destination. A good turning and stopping area can be as important as the road leading to it.
Best For	Employers, schools, hospitality businesses and passenger-transport operators needing a medium-sized group vehicle, particularly where the route and passenger count do not justify a larger Coaster bus.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 2 variants of the Toyota Hiace/Commuter side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	Hiace Bus 2.5L 15-Seats MT DLX	Hiace 2.5L Bus 14-Seats MT DLX PLUS
Price (ex-showroom)	UGX 189,600,000	UGX 200,400,000
Fuel Type	Diesel	Diesel
Transmission	5-Speed Manual	5-Speed Manual
Trim Level	Dlx	Dlx Plus
Engine	2494 cc (2.5L)	2494 cc (2.5L)
Max Power	75 kW (101 bhp)	75 kW (101 bhp)
Max Torque	260 Nm (192 lb-ft)	260 Nm (192 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	RWD	RWD
Fuel Economy	12.5 km/l	12.5 km/l
Seating	15	14
Boot Space	1000 L	1000 L
Ground Clearance	195 mm	180 mm
Kerb Weight	1833.88 kg	2033.88 kg

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

05 Toyota Hiace/Commuter — Hiace Bus 2.5L

UGX 189,600,000

15-Seats MT DLX

ENGINE 2494 cc	POWER 75 kW · 101 bhp	TORQUE 260 Nm · 192 lb-ft	ECONOMY 12.5 km/l	FUEL Diesel 5-Speed Manual
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Dlx Trim · Diesel · 5-Speed Manual

View live price & EMI →

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	2.5-litre 2KD-FTV turbocharged four-cylinder diesel	Engine Code	2KD-FTV
Fuel Type	Diesel	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	2494 cc	Cylinders	4
Cylinder Layout	Inline	Valves	16
Valves per Cylinder	4	Aspiration	Turbocharged
Fuel System	Common Rail Direct Injection	Compression Ratio	18.5:1

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Automatic Shift Paddles	Not Applicable	4WD Selector	Not Applicable
4WD Lo Range	Not Applicable	4WD Hi Range	Not Applicable
4WD Engagement	Not Applicable	Drivetrain	Rear 2 WD
Transfer Case	Not Applicable	Gear Shift Type	Manual
Gear Shift Indicator	Not Officially Disclosed	LSD Available	Not Officially Disclosed
Drivetrain Layout	Rear 2 WD	Gearbox	5-Speed Manual

DIMENSIONS

Length	4700 mm	Width	1780 mm
Height	1980 mm	Wheelbase	2570 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	195 mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	170 mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	70 l	Boot/Cargo Space	1000 l
Kerb Weight	1833.88 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	3050 kg
Payload Capacity	1110 kg	Towing Capacity	750 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Fuel Tank Capacity	70 l	Fuel Tank Litres	70
Claimed Mileage	12.5 km/l	City Mileage	10.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	14.5 km/l	Emission Standard	Not Officially Disclosed
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Officially Disclosed l	Auto Start Stop	Not Officially Disclosed
Range Real World Mixed	Not Officially Disclosed km	Range Real World Highway	Not Officially Disclosed km
Electric Consumption	Not Applicable	Combined Driving Range	Not Officially Disclosed

SAFETY

EBD	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Not Officially Disclosed
Seatbelt Warning All Seats	Yes	Front Parking Sensors	Front and rear
Hill Hold	Not Officially Disclosed	Passenger Airbag	Yes
Knee Airbag	Not Officially Disclosed	Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Not Officially Disclosed
Hill Start Assist	Not Officially Disclosed	Traction Control	Yes
Seatbelt Pretensioners	Front	Seatbelt Reminder	Yes

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Wireless Charging	No	Push Button Start	Not Officially Disclosed
AC Type	Manual	Keyless Entry	Not Officially Disclosed
Power Windows	Front	Climate Control	Manual
Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Officially Disclosed	Electric Tailgate	Yes
Sunroof	Yes		—

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

→ See Hiace Bus 2.5L 15-Seats MT DLX full specs and lifecycle details in Uganda

Compare with rivals →

06 Toyota Hiace/Commuter — Hiace 2.5L Bus

UGX 200,400,000

14-Seats MT DLX PLUS

ENGINE	POWER	TORQUE	ECONOMY	FUEL
2494	75	260	12.5	Diesel
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Dlx Plus Trim · Diesel · 5-Speed Manual

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Height	2290 mm	Wheelbase	3110 mm
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Fuel Tank Capacity	70 l	Boot/Cargo Space	1000 l
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07 Explore More on Hagalu

Jump to each variant's price and specification record

→ [Hiace Bus 2.5L 15-Seats MT DLX](#) — UGX 189,600,000

→ [Hiace 2.5L Bus 14-Seats MT DLX PLUS](#) — UGX 200,400,000

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