

The 2026 Toyota 4Runner: Engineered for Exploration

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PLANO, Texas (Nov. 5, 2025) – The Toyota 4Runner enters its second year of the capable 6th-generation and is as advanced, refined, and capable as ever before. The 2026 lineup offers nine distinct grades, including Trailhunter and Platinum trims. Customers can expect the 2026 4Runner to arrive at dealerships in fall 2025, with a Manufacturer’s Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) starting at \$41,570, plus \$1,450 for Delivery Processing and Handling.

The 6th-generation 4Runner boasts a 2.4-liter turbocharged i-FORCE MAX hybrid powertrain, standard on the TRD Pro, Trailhunter, and Platinum grades, and available on TRD Off-Road, TRD Off-Road Premium, and Limited models. The SR5, TRD Sport, and TRD Sport Premium grades come standard with a 2.4-liter turbocharged i-FORCE engine, which is also available on select TRD Off-Road and Limited trims.

The i-FORCE 2.4-liter turbo delivers up to 278 horsepower and 317 lb.-ft. of torque, achieving an EPA-estimated 26 MPG on the highway. Meanwhile, the i-FORCE MAX hybrid powertrain produces an impressive 326 horsepower and 465 lb.-ft. of torque, with an EPA-estimated 24 MPG highway rating.

Building on its adventurous legacy, the Trailhunter grade elevates Toyota’s off-road and overlanding expertise with purpose-built engineering and rugged components. Exclusively powered by the i-FORCE MAX, Trailhunter features premium equipment such as Old Man Emu® shocks, a low-profile high-mount air intake, 33-inch Toyo® tires mounted on 18-inch bronze-finished wheels, an onboard air compressor, and signature exterior elements including RIGID Industries® color-selectable LED fog lamps, an ARB® roof rack, and a bronze “TOYOTA” heritage grille with integrated LED light bar.

The TRD Pro, also exclusively equipped with the i-FORCE MAX, offers performance features like TRD-tuned FOX® QS3 adjustable shocks with rear remote reservoirs, a TRD performance air intake, and 33-inch Toyo® tires on 18-inch black alloy wheels.

The 4Runner is available in 2-Wheel Drive, part-time 4-Wheel Drive, and Full-time 4-Wheel Drive configurations. All i-FORCE MAX models come standard with 4-Wheel Drive, ready for both on-road and off-road adventures. The Limited and Platinum trims feature Full-time 4-Wheel Drive with an electronic locking center differential for enhanced traction.

A Solid Foundation

Built on Toyota’s TNGA-F global platform shared with the Tacoma, Tundra, Land Cruiser, and Sequoia, the 4Runner benefits from increased chassis rigidity over previous generations, thanks to high-strength steel with blanking and laser welds. Aluminum is used in the upper body to reduce weight, while reinforced frame crossmembers boost durability. Suspension tuning is tailored to each grade to optimize ride and handling — for example, the TRD Sport features sport-tuned shocks for a more responsive drive, while the TRD Off-Road is equipped with monotube Bilstein® remote reservoir shocks for extended wheel travel and heat dissipation, including an end stop control valve (ESCV) for enhanced damping near full suspension compression.

The TRD Pro is outfitted with TRD-tuned FOX® QS3 three-way adjustable internal bypass shocks with remote reservoirs, designed for superior high-speed off-road performance. Trailhunter rides on Old Man Emu® (OME) forged monotube shocks with remote reservoirs, calibrated for optimal off-road control and load capacity. The Limited and Platinum trims offer adaptive variable suspension tuned for a smooth, refined on-road experience.

Electric Power Steering (EPS) enhances steering feel and supports advanced safety and convenience features across the lineup.

Trail-Ready Features

A standout innovation on the 2026 4Runner is the Stabilizer Disconnect Mechanism (SDM), standard on Trailhunter and TRD Pro models. SDM allows drivers to increase suspension articulation at the push of a button, improving off-road capability and it is now optional on i-FORCE MAX TRD Off-Road Premium.

Drivers of TRD Off-Road, TRD Pro, and Trailhunter grades can utilize the Multi-Terrain Monitor displayed crisply on the available 14-inch touchscreen, to spot obstacles on challenging trails. Standard underbody protection and accessible recovery points provide added confidence in tough terrain.

Two-wheel-drive 4Runner models feature an automatic limited-slip differential (Auto LSD), while four-wheel-drive variants come with an electronically controlled two-speed transfer case with high/low range, Active Traction Control (A-TRAC), and Auto LSD. An electronic locking rear differential is standard on TRD Off-Road, TRD Pro, and Trailhunter trims. The Limited offers an available full-time 4WD system with a center locking differential on i-FORCE MAX models, standard on Platinum.

Available Multi-Terrain Select operates in both 4WD-High and 4WD-Low, allowing drivers to adjust settings for various surfaces like mud, dirt, and sand. Toyota's next-generation CRAWL Control is available, acting as a low-speed off-road cruise control. When traction is limited, the electronically activated locking rear differential can distribute power evenly between rear wheels. Downhill Assist Control helps maintain controlled descents on steep terrain.

Towing and Utility

Designed to meet diverse needs, the 4Runner offers a maximum towing capacity of 6,000 lbs., making it capable of hauling trailers, boats, or UTVs with ease.

Advanced towing technologies include an available trailer brake controller and digital rear-view mirror. Trailer Back-Up Guide with Straight Path Assist uses sensors and cameras to help keep trailers in a straight line while reversing, allowing drivers to focus on throttle and braking. This system also provides a 360-degree simulated top-down view. 4Runner's standard Blind Spot Monitor (BSM) can identify when a trailer is being towed and extend the area of detection to recognize and alert the driver to potential hazards in blind spots for not only the vehicle, but the trailer as well.

Nine Grade Lineup

The 2026 4Runner offers nine grades: SR5, TRD Sport, TRD Sport Premium, TRD Off-Road, TRD Off-Road Premium, Limited, Platinum, TRD Pro, and Trailhunter.

The i-FORCE MAX hybrid powertrain is available on TRD Off-Road, TRD Off-Road Premium, Limited, and standard on Platinum, TRD Pro, and Trailhunter. These hybrid models also feature a standard 2400W AC power supply in both the cabin and cargo area.

The SR5 is well-equipped for adventure, available in rear-wheel or part-time four-wheel drive. It includes a 7-inch color multi-information display, an 8-inch multimedia screen, LED head and fog lights, a power rear liftgate window, Smart Key, and 12 cup holders.

The TRD Sport adds sport-tuned suspension, 20-inch alloy wheels, a gloss black hood scoop, automatic climate control, a 12.3-inch digital gauge cluster, and Qi wireless charging.

TRD Sport Premium builds on TRD Sport with SofTex-trimmed power seats, a 14-inch multimedia touchscreen with JBL Premium Audio, the JBL FLEX portable speaker, Panoramic View Monitor, hands-free power liftgate, TRD shift knob, and heated steering wheel.

TRD Off-Road offers high-strength underbody protection, 18-inch wheels, 33-inch all-terrain tires, Bilstein shocks®, and Multi-Terrain Select with Crawl Control.

TRD Off-Road Premium builds off of TRD Off-Road and adds a Multi-Terrain Monitor, SofTex-trimmed power seats, 14-inch multimedia touchscreen with JBL Premium Audio, JBL FLEX speaker, hands-free power liftgate, TRD shift knob, and heated steering wheel.

The Limited grade elevates comfort with heated and ventilated leather-trimmed front seats, available power-extending running boards, 14-inch multimedia touchscreen, JBL® Premium Audio with JBL® FLEX speaker, available digital rearview mirror, and power moonroof.

Trailhunter is engineered as the ultimate overlanding machine, featuring Mineral-colored heated and ventilated SofTex® front seats and standard Old Man Emu (OME) 2.5-inch forged monotube shocks. Unique elements such as an onboard air compressor and low-profile high-mount air intake give the Trailhunter ultimate overlanding ability.

The TRD Pro boasts TRD-tuned FOX® QS3 internal bypass shocks with 2.5-inch aluminum housings and rear remote reservoirs. QS3 technology allows manual adjustment of compression damping to match terrain. Interiors are available in Black or Cockpit Red with technical-camo inserts, heated and ventilated SofTex® seats with power adjustments. The TRD Pro also includes a TRD performance air intake and exhaust, plus unique exterior touches like a 20-inch LED light bar integrated into a heritage-inspired “TOYOTA” grille and RIGID Industries® LED fog lamps.

The Platinum grade offers a premium luxury experience with all the 4Runner capability customers expect. Positioned above Limited, it features exclusive black exterior accents, premium leather seats, heated second-row outboard seats, a standard tow tech package, Head-Up Display, and automatic rain-sensing wipers.

Color Options

The 2026 4Runner color palette includes Ice Cap, Cutting Edge, Underground, Black, Heritage Blue, Everest, and the TRD Pro-exclusive Wave Maker. Premium colors such as Supersonic Red and Wind Chill Pearl are also available.

Advanced Technology

The 4Runner features Toyota’s latest technology, including an 8-inch or available 14-inch multimedia touchscreen with the newest Audio Multimedia system supporting wireless Apple CarPlay® and Android Auto™. Available enhanced Qi wireless charging and USB-C data/charging ports are integrated throughout the cabin. A 12.3-inch digital gauge cluster with selectable displays is standard on all i-FORCE MAX models.

All grades come standard with a Smart Key System and push-button start. With an active Remote Connect subscription and on applicable grade, Digital Key compatibility allows select smartphones to lock, unlock, and start the vehicle remotely. The Digital Key can be shared remotely for controlled access. Additionally, a credit card-sized Card Key is available for convenient key carrying.

Music enthusiasts can enjoy an available 14-speaker JBL® Premium Audio system with an externally coupled subwoofer and JBL® FLEX portable speaker on Limited, Platinum, Trailhunter, and TRD Pro grades, with availability on TRD Sport Premium and TRD Off-Road Premium. The JBL® FLEX charges when docked and operates as a center channel speaker; undocked, it functions as a portable Bluetooth speaker with up to six hours of battery life and is waterproof up to three feet.

MAXimum Control

The i-FORCE MAX 4Runner includes standard Drive Mode Select, allowing drivers to tailor drive force, suspension, and steering settings via a dial. Standard modes include Normal, Eco, and Sport, adjusting shift points, pedal response, HVAC, and steering feel. Limited and Platinum add Sport S+, Comfort, and Custom modes for personalized driving experiences. Tow/Haul mode is standard on all i-FORCE MAX grades and most others, optimizing throttle and transmission for towing.

Rugged Lineup

The 6th-generation 4Runner complements Toyota's robust lineup of body-on-frame vehicles, including the full-size Tundra and iconic Land Cruiser. With five rugged trucks to choose from, customers have versatile options designed to handle demanding conditions and support active lifestyles, empowering owners to explore the world's hidden treasures.

Toyota Safety Sense 3.0 Standard

All 2026 4Runner models come standard with Toyota Safety Sense 3.0, Toyota's suite of active safety and convenience systems.

This suite of features includes:

- Pre-Collision System with Pedestrian Detection
- Lane Departure Alert with Steering Assist
- Full-Speed Range Dynamic Radar Cruise Control
- Lane Tracing Assist
- Road Sign Assist
- Automatic High Beams
- Proactive Driving Assist

Proactive Driving Assist is now a part of Toyota Safety Sense 3.0. Proactive Driving Assist (PDA) uses the vehicle's camera and radar, when system operating conditions are met, to provide gentle braking and/or steering to support driving tasks such as distance control between your vehicle and a preceding vehicle, pedestrian, or bicyclist. PDA can also provide gentle braking into curves. Proactive Driving Assist is not a substitute for the Pre-Collision System and operates in different circumstances.

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- The Pre-Collision System with Pedestrian Detection has enhanced detection capabilities thanks to system sensors. It receives enhanced intersection support with improved detection capability in certain circumstances. In addition to pedestrian and bicyclist detection, this system now includes the capability to detect a motorcyclist.
- Lane Departure Alert will now provide Steering Assist as well as enhanced lane recognition that includes detection of certain 3D objects, like guardrails, that may be used to help define the lane.
- Dynamic Radar Cruise Control will have Full-Speed Range capability and adds a fourth following distance setting, from the previously available three. Enhanced vehicle detection allows for the ability to detect more than one preceding vehicle, as well as vehicles in adjacent lanes. This helps the system to provide smoother, more natural speed adjustments, especially when the driver changes lanes.

- Lane Tracing Assist and Dynamic Radar Cruise Control must be enabled for it to function. The system requires detectable lane markings in order to function. Like Lane Departure Alert, lane recognition is enhanced over prior TSS generations. In addition to lane centering, this system also helps provide more space between vehicles being passed in adjacent lanes. It works by offsetting the vehicles' driving path with minor steering adjustments while keeping the vehicle within its lane.
- An Emergency Driving Stop System is a function of Lane Tracing Assist. It's designed to monitor the driver's inputs, such as steering operation, to determine if they're inattentive or non-responsive, such as during a medical emergency. This feature is designed to bring the vehicle to a stop if the driver doesn't respond to alerts to take control.
- Road Sign Assist is designed to detect speed limit signs, stop signs, Do Not Enter signs, yield signs, and certain warning signs, and display an icon of the sign on the Multi-Information Display (MID).

In addition to TSS 3.0, other available features include Blind Spot Monitor (BSM), which is designed to help detect and warn you of vehicles approaching or positioned in the adjacent lanes, and Rear Cross-Traffic Alert (RCTA) for added peace of mind by helping to detect vehicles approaching from either side while backing out and alerting you with a visual and audible warning.

Limited Warranty

Toyota's 36-month/36,000 mile basic new-vehicle warranty applies to all components other than normal wear and maintenance items. Additional 60-month warranties cover the powertrain for 60,000 miles and against perforation from corrosion for 60 months with no mileage limitation. Hybrid-related components that require repairs needed to correct defects in materials or workmanship are covered for 8 years/100,000 miles, whichever comes first from original date of first use when sold as new. The hybrid battery is covered for 10 years/150,000 miles, whichever comes first, and is transferable across ownership.

The 2026 4Runner also comes with ToyotaCare, a plan covering normal factory-scheduled maintenance, for two years or 25,000 miles, whichever comes first, and 2 years, unlimited mileage of Roadside Assistance.