

# Hyundai Tucson

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Sport Utility Vehicles or SUVs have earned favor from a lot of car buyers in the automobile industry. When it comes to engine performance, seating and space capacity, and exterior, SUVs are a lot more practical than sedans. If you are finding it hard to come up with a decision whether you'd purchase a car or an SUV, this article will come in useful for you. Have you heard about Compact SUVs? Well, these are also SUVs, but are much smaller than mid-size sport utility vehicles. If it helps, a Compact SUV's size is safely placed between the smallness of a sedan and a van's huge built.

When it comes to a credible car make that manufactures optimum-performance Compact SUVs, Hyundai is a good choice. Although a South Korean company, Hyundai bravely made its way against its European car make competitors by creating automobiles that are above standard. Hence, Hyundai became one of the most popular names in the car industry. The birth of Hyundai Tucson in 2004 became a hit in the market. Fitted below the models, Santa Fe and Veracruz, the Tucson showcases a feature-rich compact SUV that is named after the city Tucson in Arizona.

**Now, the Tucson has a wide selection of models like the following:**

- The Active 2.0 MPI, which is a 2-wheel drive manual vehicle that costs at around \$27,990.
- The Active 2.0 MPI, which is a 2-wheel drive automatic vehicle that costs at around \$30,490.
- The ActiveX 2.0 GDi, which is a 2-wheel drive manual vehicle that costs at around \$30,490.
- The ActiveX 2.0 GDi, which is a 2-wheel drive automatic vehicle that costs at around \$32,990.

- The Elite 2.0 MPi, which is a 2-wheel drive automatic vehicle that costs at around \$35,240.
- The Elite 1.6 turbo AWD, which is an automatic vehicle that costs at around \$38,240.
- The Elite 2.0 CRDi diesel AWD, which is an automatic vehicle that costs at around \$40,240.
- The Highlander 1.6 turbo AWD, which is an automatic vehicle that costs at around \$43,490.
- The Highlander 2.0 CRDi diesel AWD, which is an automatic vehicle that costs at around \$45,490.

When it comes to aesthetic, Tucson is a lot sleeker than its predecessor, the Santa Fe. It boasts of a tough-looking grille, a fog light surround, and stylish headlights. Generally, the rear has a nice, clean and sleek cut, and the tailgate is impressively bulky. However, as much as we would like to tackle about the entire list of Tucsons, this article will only delve about the Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015. Why? You'd better get ready because this article will give you tons of reasons why you should buy this set of wheels.

### **Functionality and Comfort**

Released just recently, the Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 is classified as a Compact SUV (but customers even claimed that it should be a medium-sized SUV because it is bigger) that is more of a wagon-type. In the exterior, the Tucson Elite 2.0 is manufactured with sturdy-looking 17-inch alloy wheels that are capable of taking you to different kinds of roads, whether it be off-road driving or city-driving. The vehicle is also equipped with a full-size matching spare wheel, just in case you'd need to change a tire during an inevitable situation. One good thing about the Tucson Elite 2.0 is that the bumpers are color-matched with the body color, so it gives that smooth, modern aesthetic design while the front radiator grille consists of a front grey finish (chrome). The door handles, frame molding, and beltline molding are coated in shiny chrome. The vehicle is also built with a roof rail and an automatic rear wiper.

Its rear tailgate, on a good note, is electric (well, you can operate it hands-free!). This vehicle is also made with solar glass, and for an added feature, the rear privacy glass is tinted. There's also the projector beam headlights that are impressively automatic dusk-sensing. Take note, the LED headlights have an auto leveling system. Now you won't have to worry about having the headlights too high or too low because Hyundai figured out how to make your driving experience more convenient by putting this feature on! Even better, the vehicle also has the escort and welcome function and the rear parking assist system that provides you with a guidance when you're about to park your vehicle. Not only that, the Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 is also equipped with daytime running lights (LED), a positioning light (LED), and a high-mount stop light (LED). There are also added fog lights in the front and rear areas of the SUV.

Can't get enough of the features? Well, there's more! This feature-rich SUV also have courtesy lights on the door handle, folding door mirrors that are heated electric, wipers that are activated automatically when they sensed rain, and bending lights that are LED static. The windscreen are crafted with an automatic defog function. Now, this feature is useful, especially if you often drive on a road where rain or fog is frequent. The auto defog function eliminates the effect of fog, so you won't have to worry about visibility when driving. Finally, the rear center console is equipped with cooling and heating vents.

Now, let's go to the SUV's interior. Inside, you'd find the Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 rather simply innovative. Its modern design makes up to the numerous features laid out for your ultimate driving experience. The vehicle's manual air conditioning system, cabin air filter, and rear floor with cooling and heating ducts will definitely keep you comfortable when it comes to the vehicle's air circulation. [Hyundai](#) decided to place the conventional electric windows in the front and rear. The driver's window is activated at one-touch up/down function. It also has an anti-pinch feature. The Tucson Elite 2.0 also has a cruise control that are integrated with the steering wheel controls. Aside from the tilt and telescopic steering column, this compact SUV also has an electric lumbar support on the driver seat.

Elite 2.0's interior dimensions offers a generous space capacity. The headroom in the front and rear areas hit 1005/995mm while the shoulder room in the front and rear areas reach 1450/1410mm. The hip room in the front and rear has a dimension of 1413/1384mm while the legroom has a dimension of 1053-1129mm/970mm respectively. With these dimensions, you and your passengers will surely feel comfortable inside the vehicle.

The great thing about Hyundai is this: even the littlest features are never forgotten on the list. The rear seats have a 60/40 split fold, while the seats have a cloth trim and A-pillar fabric-material covers. Hyundai also decided to label Tucson's door cuff plates by putting the Tucson embossing on it. Now, that is cool, especially if you're all about personalization. The vehicle's rear seats are crafted with cup holders—perfect for passengers who'd want a cup of Joe while on the road with you. You'd find the vehicle with sun visor equipped with ticket holders (hopefully, you'd use that—not for tickets!), vanity mirrors (you'd want to look good, even when just driving, right?), coat hooks, a console on the center floor (with storage), a compartment for sunglasses (of course, it's retractable), and also three grip handles attached on the vehicle's roofing.

Aside from these, the interior is also loaded with simple but equally useful features like front seat back nets, beneath-the-floor side storeroom recesses that is located in the rear cargo part of the vehicle. Map pockets are also attached on the vehicle's door trims—and are also crafted with bottle bulges for extra hold on your beverage bottle or cup.

As for the lighting, the Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 is furnished with a front room light and map lights, a room light located at the center, one in the cargo area, and even a lighting fade-out delay. The Tucson Elite 2.0's trip system also consists of the following: digital speedometer (yes, it is digital!), instant and average fuel economy (to save up as much fuel as you can), trip distance, service interval reminding system, indication for average speed and elapsed time, and the impressive “distance to empty” indication—which is definitely going to be really useful when you're about to run out of fuel and would want to know how much distance your SUV can still go. There's also the digital clock and warning chimes attached on the seatbelts (front and rear).

When it comes to entertainment, the Tucson offers practical features such as the following: 3.5-inch Mono TFT LCD screen and an audio system (7-inch touch screen). Compatible with Apple and almost any Android phone that has a Bluetooth connection, you can play your MP3 anytime. The Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 also has the Apple CarPlay feature and has an AUX/USB input (for audio). And the best thing about playing music inside this vehicle? Well, the steering wheel has audio controls, so you can switch from song to song at the touch of your fingertips.

This SUV is also equipped with a rear-view camera that is set-up with active guidelines and is connected with a 7-inch monitor.

## **Engine and Performance**

Compared with other Tucson models, the Elite 2.0 is more improved in terms of engine and its performance. While the Tucson Active has the conventional 2.0 petrol engine where you get to choose between a 6-speed manual transmission or a 6-speed automatic transmission, the Elite 2.0 comes with automatic transmission. With the power rate of 136kW at 4000 revolutions per minute (RPM), the all-wheel drive Elite 2.0 is reliable enough to give you a good mileage, whether you are driving off-road or interstate. Its torque rates at 400Nm from 1750-2750 RPM with a compression rate of 16.1:1 and a stroke of 84.0 by 90.00mm.

Although Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 weighs only 1744kg, it is huge enough to have a seating capacity of 488 liters and remarkably gives you a space capacity of 1478 liters when the seats are folded down. Now, that is a lot of space.

Fuel economy is also one of the great things that you will love about this vehicle. With a fuel tank size of 62 liters, it only consumes about 8.2 liters per 100 kilometers driving around city (approx. range is 756km), 5.4/100km on highway driving (approx. range is 1148km), and 6.4/100km on an average road driving (approx. range is 969km). Moreover, the Elite 2.0 has a low CO2 emission that only hit 169g/km and that is about 163.761 kg per range. That means this vehicle is far from being tagged as a smoke-belching automobile.



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Because Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 was built for overall performance, its safety and security features are not missed. The vehicle is equipped with driver and front passenger front and side airbags. It is also added with side curtain airbags for extra protection. Aside from these, it also has 3-point seat belts for the entire seats, front seat belts that are height-adjustable, a second-row seat belt holder, three child-restraint anchors located on the rear, a roll-over sensor, safety reflectors on the front door, and speed/impact sensor. There is also an Emergency Stop signal, central locking system, a keyless entry that is beefed up with a burglar alarm, an engine immobilizer (just in case someone tries to steal your vehicle), and a Hyundai Active Locking Operation system (HALO).

## **Conclusion**

At a price of around \$40,240, what more can you ask for? Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 is a product of success—a sleek and optimum-performing fruit of thorough study and careful engineering. Exterior is spruced up and greatly designed, interior is full of functional features, engine is at its optimum performance, and safety/security is beefed up. Its price is moderate enough for a feature-packed vehicle that promises better mileage and comfortable driving experience. Despite the fact that this South Korean product has tight competition in the automobile market, it's hard not to consider buying this big seller because of its overall standard.

So, would it be worth it to purchase this vehicle? Yes. Go to your nearest Hyundai car dealer and have a

closer look at the latest Hyundai Tucson Elite 2.0 CRDi AWD 2015 and ease those doubts away!

Bad models. Do you agree?