Mazda CX-70 News

Expected to be positioned between the Mazda CX-60 and CX-90, Mazda recently unveiled the all-new <u>2025 Mazda</u> <u>CX-70</u>, set to enter production presumably in early spring 2024 as a 2025 model. It will compete against existing crossovers such as the Hyundai Tucson, Toyota Rav4, Volkswagen Tiguan, Genesis GV70, and the Chevrolet Equinox, among others. Here's a closer look at what's in store.

The 2025 Mazda CX-70: Peeking Behind the Curtain

Powering the 2025 Mazda CX-70 is the same 3.3-liter turbocharged inline-six as the Mazda CX-60 and CX-90, but the CX-70 will utilize two variants of the 3.3-liter inline six with 48-vold M-Hybrid Boost and an e-Skyactiv PHEV. All powertrain options will come mated to an 8-speed automatic transmission driving all four wheels as standard across the CX-70 model range. Inside, you get two seating rows, which, for a car of its size, we would have expected the CX70 to come with three rows. However, Mazda says that the CX-70 customer sees their vehicle as a catalyst towards engaging with their hobbies and passions. As a result, the rear cargo area has been optimized for storage with additional compartments and hooks for bags and other equipment and a unique sub-trunk design that allows storage of valuables and other small items out of site. Unlike the Mazda CX-60, the 2025 Mazda CX-70 comes with remote folding rear seats, which allows for easier loading into the rear of the vehicle. Technology has also been improved with Mazda integrating Alexa Built-in standard on all CX-70 models. This makes the CX-70 the first Mazda crossover to feature Alexa-Built in, which Mazda says is aimed at reducing driver distraction and improving ease of use. On the outside, Mazda promises its popular colors, such as Soul Red Crystal Metallic and Zircon Sand Metallic, in the Mazda CX-70's color palette. Additionally, a new Melting Copper Metallic is made optional. Wheels and tires vary depending on the model and trim.

Models, Trims And Specifications

The 2025 Mazda CX-70 comes in two models, the CX-70 3.3 Turbo and CX-70 PHEV. However, the Turbo is subdivided into five trims and the PHEV into two, resulting in seven different variants. You can buy the CX-70 Turbo as a Turbo Preferred, Turbo Premium, Turbo Premium Plus, Turbo S Premium, or Turbo S Premium Plus. On the other hand, the CX-70 PHEV comes either as the PHEV Premium or the PHEV Premium Plus. The Mazda CX-70 Turbo Preferred, Turbo Premium, and Turbo Premium Plus come with a 280 horsepower and 332 lb.ft e-Skyactiv 3.3-liter inline-six engine, which has an EPA estimated 24 MPG city, 28 MPG highway and 25 MPG combined fuel economy. On the other hand the Mazda CX-70 Turbo Premium Plus and Turbo S Premium have the same engine but tuned to 340 horsepower and 369 lb.ft. Fuel economy figures remain similar to the Turbo Premium and Premium Plus but with slightly less city driving fuel economy at 23 MPG. The plug-in hybrids, Mazda CX-70 PHEV Premium and Premium Plus, come with a 2.5-liter four-cylinder mated to a 17.8-kWh battery pack, resulting in a combined 323 horsepower and 369 lb.ft. Fuel economy is estimated to be up to 56 MPGe.

Pricing

The most affordable option is the CX-70 Turbo Preferred at \$40,445 base MSRP. Moving up, the Turbo Premium comes in at \$45,900, followed by the Turbo Premium Plus at \$48,900. The Turbo S Premium has a price jump to \$52,450, while the range-topping ICE-only powered Turbo S Premium Plus starts at \$55,950. On the other hand, the CX-70 PHEV Premium starts at \$54,400, and the PHEV Premium ends the <u>2025 Mazda CX-70</u> model lineup with a \$57,450 price tag.

Verdict

Is the 2025 Mazda CX-70 worth waiting for? Definitely yes. However, with Mazda expected to release a larger CX-80 going around, perhaps it would be best if you waited, considering it's expected to come as a seven-seater and will be cheaper than the Mazda CX-90. But all in all, the 2025 CX-70 is worth buying, especially if you go for the Turbo Premium Plus trim, which our insights suggest will be the best-selling model across the range.