



WORLD CAR AWARDS - LIST OF WINNERS BY YEAR

2026 – Double Win for BMW

BMW iX3 – World Car of the Year

BMW iX3 – World Electric Vehicle

Lucid Gravity – World Luxury Car

Hyundai Ioniq 6 N – World Performance Car

Firefly – World Urban Car

Mazda 6e / EZ 6 – World Car Design of the Year

2026 PERSON of the Year – Oliver Zipse, Chairman of the Board of Management, BMW

2025

Kia EV3 – World Car of the Year

Hyundai Inster / Casper Electric – World Electric Vehicle

Volvo EX90 – World Luxury Car

Porsche 911 Carrera GTS – World Performance Car

BYD Seagull / Dolphin Mini – World Urban Car

Volkswagen ID. Buzz – World Car Design of the Year

2025 PERSON of the Year - Stella Li, Executive Vice-President of BYD

2024 – Double Win for Kia

Kia EV9 – World Car of the Year

Kia EV9 – World Electric Vehicle

BMW 5 Series / i5 – World Luxury Car

Hyundai Ioniq 5 N – World Performance Car

Volvo EX30 – World Urban Car

Toyota Prius – World Car Design of the Year

2024 PERSON of the Year - Adrian Newey, OBE, Red Bull Racing

2023 – Triple Win for Hyundai

Hyundai Ioniq 6 – World Car of the Year

Hyundai Ioniq 6 – World Electric Vehicle

Lucid Air – World Luxury Car

Kia EV6 GT – World Performance Car

Citroen C3 – World Urban Car

Hyundai Ioniq 6 – World Car Design of the Year

2023 PERSON of the Year – SangYup Lee, Executive Vice President, Head of Hyundai and Genesis Global Design Center, Hyundai Motor Company (HMC)

2022 – Triple Win for Hyundai

Hyundai Ioniq 5 – World Car of the Year
Hyundai Ioniq 5 – World Electric Vehicle (inaugural win/category)
Mercedes-Benz EQS – World Luxury Car
Audi e-tron GT – World Performance Car
Toyota Yaris Cross – World Urban Car
Hyundai Ioniq 5 – World Car Design of the Year
2022 PERSON of the Year – Luc Donckerwolke, Executive Vice President for Design and Chief Creative Officer, Hyundai Motor Group

2021

Volkswagen ID.4 – World Car of the Year
Mercedes-Benz S-Class – World Luxury Car
Porsche 911 Turbo – World Performance Car
Honda e – World Urban Car
Land Rover Defender – World Car Design of the Year
2021 PERSON of the Year – Akio Toyoda, President and CEO, Toyota Motor Corporation

2020 – Double Win for Kia and for Porsche

Kia Telluride – World Car of the Year
Porsche Taycan – World Luxury Car
Porsche Taycan – World Performance Car
Kia Soul EV – World Urban Car
Mazda3 – World Car Design of the Year
2020 PERSON of the Year – Carlos Tavares, CEO of PSA Group

2019 – Triple Win for Jaguar

Jaguar I-PACE – World Car of the Year
Audi A7 – World Luxury Car
McLaren 720S – World Performance Car
Jaguar I-PACE – World Green Car
World Urban Car – Suzuki Jimny
Jaguar I-PACE – World Car Design of the Year
2019 PERSON of the Year – Sergio Marchionne, CEO, FCA; Chairman, CNH Industrial; and Chairman and CEO, Ferrari

2018

Volvo XC60 – World Car of the Year
Audi A8 – World Luxury Car
BMW M5 – World Performance Car
Nissan LEAF – World Green Car
Volkswagen Polo – World Urban Car
Range Rover Velar – World Car Design of the Year
2018 PERSON of the Year - Håkan Samuelsson, President and CEO, Volvo Car Group (inaugural winner)

2017 – Double Win for Jaguar

Jaguar F-PACE – World Car of the Year
Mercedes-Benz E-Class – World Luxury Car
Porsche Boxster Cayman – World Performance Car
Toyota Prius Prime – World Green Car
BMW i3 – World Urban Car
Jaguar F-PACE – World Car Design of the Year

2016 – Double Win for Mazda

Mazda MX-5 – World Car of the Year
BMW 7 Series – World Luxury Car
Audi R8 Coupe – World Performance Car
Toyota Mirai – World Green Car
Mazda MX-5 – World Car Design of the Year

2015 – Triple Win for Mercedes-Benz

Mercedes-Benz C-Class – World Car of the Year
Mercedes-Benz S Coupé – World Luxury Car
Mercedes-Benz AMG GT – World Performance Car
BMW i8 – World Green Car
Citroen C4 Cactus – World Car Design of the Year

2014 – Double Win for BMW

Audi A3 – World Car of the Year
Mercedes-Benz S-Class – World Luxury Car
Porsche 911 GT3 – World Performance Car
BMW i3 – World Green Car
BMW i3 – World Car Design of the Year

2013

Volkswagen Golf – World Car of the Year
Porsche Boxster / Cayman – World Performance Car
Tesla Model S – World Green Car
Jaguar F-Type – World Car Design of the Year

2012

Volkswagen UP! - World Car of the Year
(**Note:** this is the third time that Volkswagen has earned the “World Car of the Year” honours).
Porsche 911 - World Performance Car
Mercedes-Benz S 250 CDI BlueEFFICIENCY - World Green Car
Range Rover Evoque - World Car Design of the Year

2011

Nissan LEAF - World Car of the Year
Ferrari 458 Italia - World Performance Car
Chevrolet Volt - World Green Car
Aston Martin Rapide - World Car Design of the Year

2010 – Double Win for Volkswagen

Volkswagen Polo – World Car of the Year
Audi R8 V10 – World Performance Car
Volkswagen BlueMotion (Golf, Passat, Polo) – World Green Car
Chevrolet Camaro – World Car Design of the Year

2009:

Volkswagen Golf VI – World Car of the Year
Nissan GT-R – World Performance Car
Honda FCX Clarity – World Green Car
(**Note:** this is the second World Green Car win for Honda who previously won for the Honda Civic Hybrid in 2006.)
Fiat 500 – World Car Design of the Year
(**Note:** This is the second time that a Fiat design has been acknowledged. The Fiat Grande Punto was voted one of the top three finalists for the design title in 2007.)

2008: Double Win for Audi

Mazda2 / Mazda Demio – World Car of the Year
Audi R8 – World Performance Car
BMW 118d with Efficient Dynamics – World Green Car
Audi R8 – World Car Design of the Year

2007: - Double Win for Audi

Lexus LS460 – World Car of the Year

Audi RS4 – World Performance Car

Mercedes-Benz E320 Bluetec – World Green Car

Audi TT – World Car Design of the Year

2006:

BMW 3-Series – World Car of the Year

Porsche Cayman S – World Performance Car

Honda Civic Hybrid – World Green Car

Citroen C4 – World Car Design of the Year

2005:

Audi A6 - World Car of the Year
