

“One must keep chasing one’s
dreams” Soichiro Honda



Honda S2000



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the power of dreams

At Honda we never stand still. Since our first race we have always looked to compete and do better. To challenge others we must first challenge ourselves. This is the only way to achieve success. But for us, success isn't about self-congratulation. It is the perfect opportunity to learn, to increase understanding and gain the knowledge necessary to further ourselves. Our founder, Soichiro Honda spoke these words after winning our first Formula 1 race and they will forever be the way we approach racing and the making of cars like the Honda S2000:

"We will study why we won and aggressively apply those winning technologies to new cars."



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introducing the Honda S2000

Unveiled in the year 2000, the Honda S2000 was a 50th birthday present to ourselves. Sleek and powerful, since it was introduced it has achieved four International Engine of the Year awards. But more than that, it expresses Honda's commitment of bringing pure driving pleasure through the development of advanced high performance cars. Quite literally, it is the embodiment of the Power of Dreams philosophy.

exterior
design



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designed to perform

The Honda S2000 was built by people who spend most of their time competing in races. So when it came to aesthetics, the wind tunnel had a big influence in striking the right balance between looks and aerodynamics. The distinctive exterior shape employs a rising front to rear bodyline that gives it its classic, wedge shaped appearance. It's a design that performs as well as it looks, reducing lift and optimising the balance between the front and rear ends for superior stability at high speeds.





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1. Body coloured door mirrors have heated elements behind the glass to maintain rear visibility during cold and wet conditions.

4. 17" alloy wheels improve grip and stability.

2. Embossed high quality aluminium kick plates add to the sporty look.

5. The chrome Honda S2000 badge completes the high quality exterior.

3. High level, high intensity rear brake light provides additional safety.

6. Front headlight washers maintain the efficiency of the HID headlights by keeping them clean.

interior design





interior or driver's cockpit?

To handle genuine sports car performance, a driver needs to be in tune with the environment around them – a lesson we learned from Formula 1. In F1 the cockpit is ergonomically designed around the driver so all controls can be operated purely by feel. The Honda S2000 follows this thinking but adds elegance and simplicity to create a purposeful interior where the controls are intelligently clustered around the steering wheel. Even the dashboard height has been lowered to increase road visibility, significantly increasing the driver's focus and attention on the road.



1.
The foot pedals are aluminium alloy making them light and sensitive for instant, precise responses.

4.
Wind deflector reduces turbulence in the cabin for a smoother drive.

2.
Leather and alloy gear knob for extra grip and comfort.

5.
Air conditioning comes as standard, for those times when driving with the roof down is impractical.

3.
The Honda S2000's instrument panel is an easy-to-read digital display.

6.
Centre console provides two cup holders plus a storage tray.

**performance
& safety**

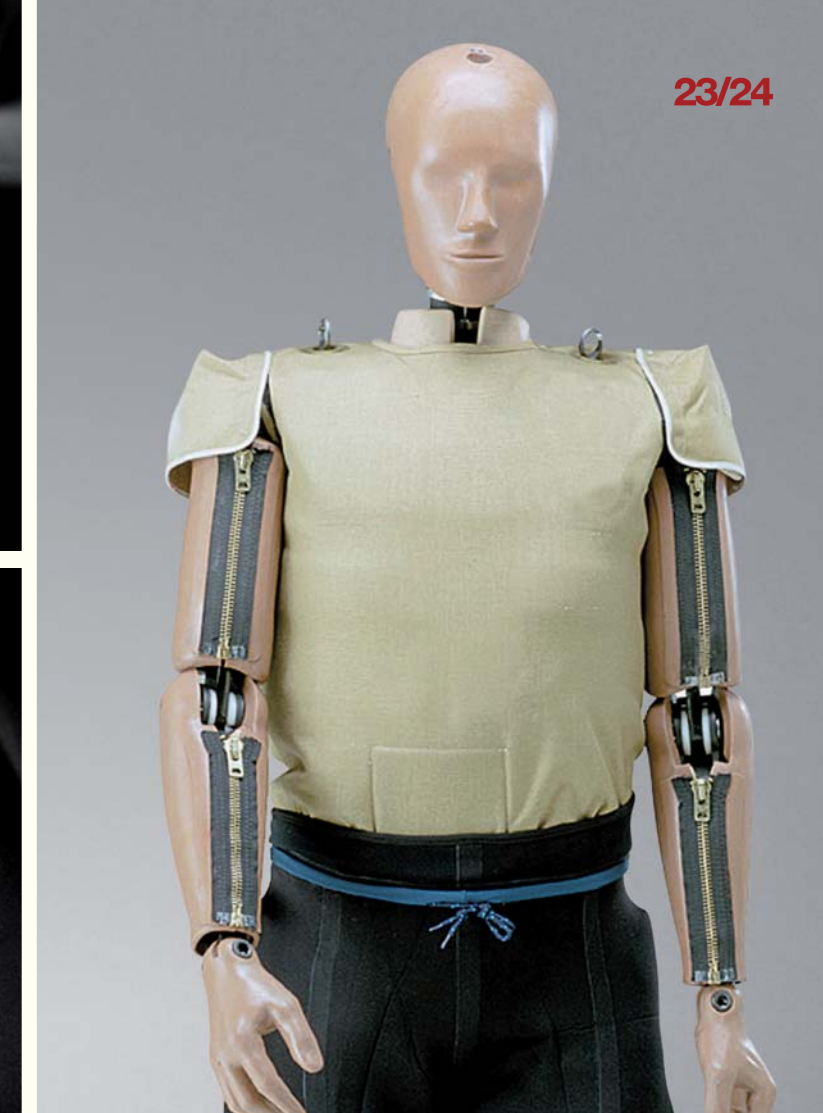
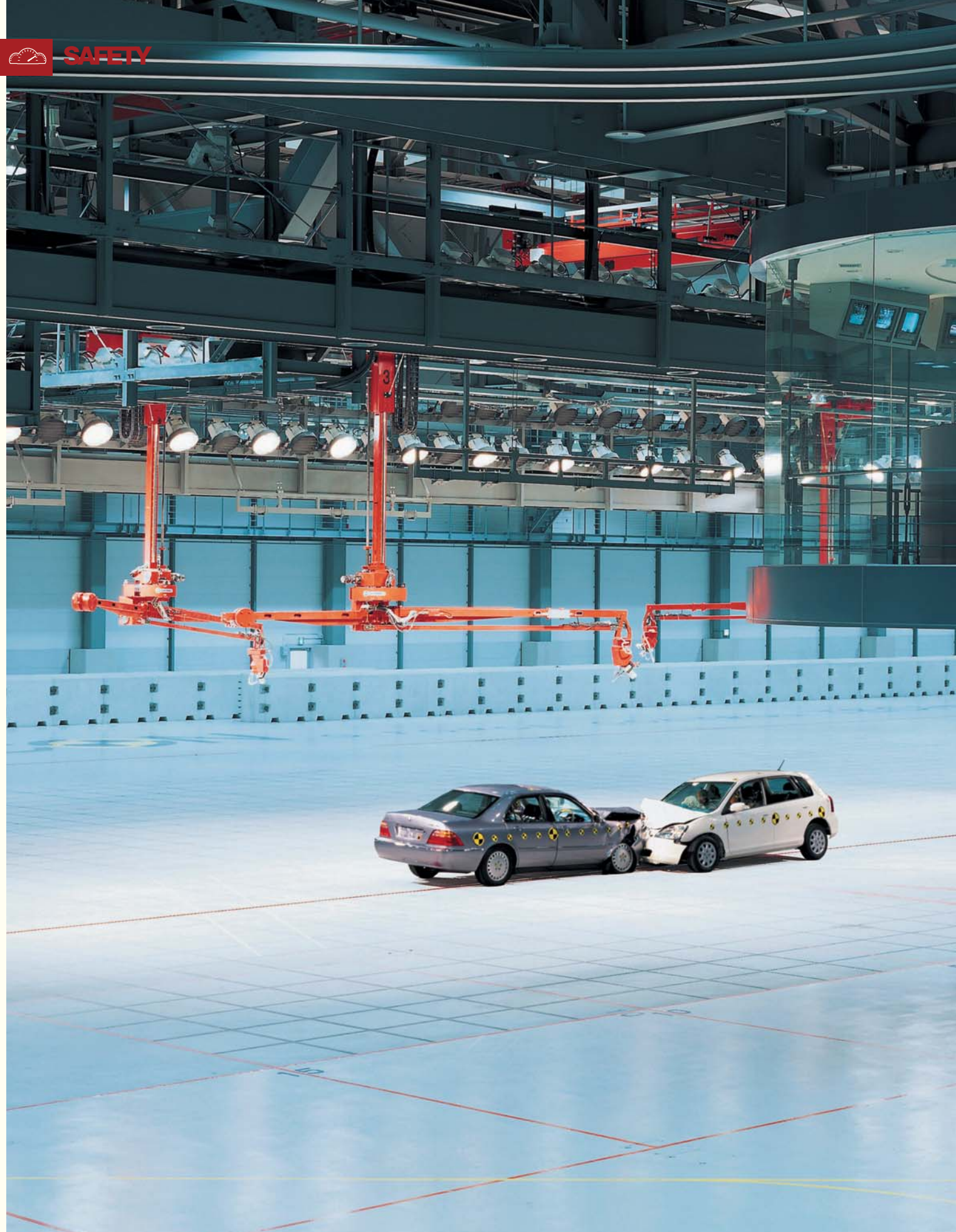




40 years of racing knowledge in one engine

There are three simple reasons why we asked Honda Formula 1 engineers to design the Honda S2000: engine, gearbox, performance. The result is a totally unique power plant that brings true racetrack power to the road. To achieve rapid throttle response and consistent performance, we developed a 2.0 litre naturally aspirated 4-cylinder DOHC VTEC engine. It delivers a maximum output of 240PS at 8,300rpm for a specific output of 120PS per litre, and a maximum torque of 208Nm at 7,500rpm. As a result, engine output delivers power from low engine speeds all the way up to the 9,000rpm redline.

0-62mph in 6.2 seconds never felt so exhilarating.



racetrack performance needs racetrack safety

Redefining the way sports cars are built for the road meant redefining the way they are tested. When we couldn't find a crash test centre that met our high standards, we were left with only one option – to build our own. To this day, the Honda test centre at Tochigi is the largest indoor test facility in the world.

This technology enabled us to create unique safety features for the Honda S2000 like a 'High X-Bone frame' to create a light 'open-body' structure with the rigidity and passenger crash protection qualities of a 'closed-body' structure. We also developed a double walled, steel pipe reinforced tubular front pillar, highly rigid roll bars, and twin door beams to provide driver and passengers with an ultra strong survival cell.

The Honda S2000 also features dual SRS airbags, 3-point ELR seatbelts with load limiting pre-tensioners, and interior structures that protect the head in a collision. In addition, collapsible hood hinges and wiper pivots help minimise pedestrian injuries in the event of an accident.

Protecting people also means protecting the environment. So we adopted a multi-port exhaust secondary air injection system to achieve unprecedented performance and surprisingly clean exhaust emissions in a production engine. This technology allows quicker heating of the catalytic converter, reducing harmful emissions – especially during cold starts.

options





2.0i VTEC Roadster

The following features come as standard on the Roadster:

- Electric soft-top convertible roof with heated rear screen
- 17" alloy wheels
- Leather seats
- Leather and alloy gear knob
- Leather wrapped steering wheel
- Drilled aluminium pedals
- Engine start button
- Headlight washers
- Stereo CD tuner with RDS
- Roll bar speakers



2.0i VTEC GT

The following features come as standard on the GT:

- Body coloured hard-top detachable roof
- Electric soft-top convertible roof with heated rear screen
- 17" alloy wheels
- Leather seats
- Leather and alloy gear knob
- Leather wrapped steering wheel
- Drilled aluminium pedals
- Engine start button
- Headlight washers
- Stereo CD tuner with RDS
- Roll bar speakers





	2.0i VTEC Roadster	2.0i VTEC GT
Engine		
Engine displacement (cc)	1997	1997
Maximum power (PS @ rpm)	240@8300	240@8300
Maximum torque (Nm @ rpm)	208@7500	208@7500
Fuel type	Petrol	Petrol
Recommended fuel rating (RON)	98 recommended	98 recommended
Transmission		
6-speed manual	●	●
Driven wheels	Rear	Rear
Performance		
Maximum speed (mph)	150	150
Acceleration 0-62mph (secs)	6.2	6.2
Fuel Consumption†		
Urban (mpg)	20.3	20.3
Urban (l/100km)	13.9	13.9
Extra urban (mpg)	36.2	36.2
Extra urban (l/100km)	7.8	7.8
Combined (mpg)	28.2	28.2
Combined (l/100km)	10.0	10.0
CO ₂ emissions (g/km)	236	236
Weights and Capacities		
Kerb weight (kg)	1271	1271
Turning circle - kerb to kerb (m)	10.8	10.8
Wheels and Tyres		
Wheels	17" alloy	17" alloy
Tyres (front)	215/45	215/45
Tyres (rear)	245/40	245/40
Spare wheel	Space Saver	Space Saver
Instruments and Controls		
Engine start button	●	●
Digital odometer (trip)	●	●
Automatic headlight height	●	●
Tachometer (rev counter)	●	●
Safety		
Dual front Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) airbags	●	●
Vehicle Stability Assist (VSA)	●	●
High level rear brake light	●	●
Anti-lock Braking System (ABS)	●	●
Headlight washers	●	●
Front ventilated disc brakes	●	●
Rear disc brakes	●	●
Roll over protection	●	●
Anti-roll bars	Front/Rear	Front/Rear
Side impact protection beams	●	●
Seatbelt pre-tensioners	●	●

	2.0i VTEC Roadster	2.0i VTEC GT
Security		
Rolling code ECU engine immobiliser	●	●
Boot release in locking centre console	●	●
Tracker system	○	○
Central locking	●	●
Remote keyless entry	●	●
Interior and perimeter alarm system (CAT 1)	●	●
Exterior		
Electrically adjustable and heated door mirrors	●	●
Body coloured bumpers	●	●
Body coloured door mirrors	●	●
Body coloured hard-top	—	●
Body coloured door handles	●	●
High Intensity Discharge (HID) headlights	●	●
Bee sting aerial	●	●
Comfort and Convenience		
Electric power assisted steering	●	●
Manual air conditioning with pollen filter	●	●
Front cupholders	●	●
Leather and alloy gear knob	●	●
Leather wrapped steering wheel	●	●
Drilled aluminium pedals	●	●
Embossed kick plates	●	●
Soft-top with glass heated rear screen	●	●
Electric roof	●	●
Front electric windows	●	●
Passenger vanity mirror with lid in sunshade	●	●
Seating		
Leather upholstery	●	●
In Car Entertainment (ICE)*		
Stereo CD tuner with RDS	●	●
Front speakers	●	●
Tweeters	●	●
Roll bar speakers	●	●
Remote stereo controls	●	●

Key ● Standard ○ Optional — Not available

† Fuel consumption. This test is designed to give an indication of on-road fuel consumption

* For a full listing of accessories please contact your local Honda Dealer



1968mm (inc mirrors)



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1. Constructed of a poly/cotton fabric, this custom made full body cover protects the paintwork and prevents moisture from condensing underneath.

2. The adapter connects your iPod® to your Honda S2000's sound system.

3. Premium floor carpets, featuring a grained metal emblem with embossed Honda S2000 logo, are available in black, red or birch.

4. Choose from either the high wing spoiler (pictured) or the smaller trunk version.

5. This aluminium gear knob can be added to replace the standard leather wrapped knob.

6. Seatback nets will keep belongings in place.

7. The Honda Compact Navigation System features European mapping, Bluetooth® wireless technology for hands free calls and a travel kit including MP3 player, JPEG viewer and audio book player.

8. Play and change up to eight CDs with this premium quality CD changer, specially designed for the Honda S2000.



we like green things

We love this planet and we're well aware that a global corporation that builds cars has to take its responsibilities very seriously. That's why we only ever build cars with the future in mind. There's no denying the damage that's been done since the invention of the internal combustion engine, but thanks to cutting-edge technology we're aiming to cut it out altogether.

Our manufacturing plant in Swindon is reducing the amount of landfill waste it produces. At the going rate, we're on track to cut that figure to zero by 2010. The development of the 3R concept - reduce, reuse, recycle - allows us not only to apply our principles throughout the plant, but also provides an educational tool for local schools and councils who visit us on a regular basis.

We've made technological developments that radically reduce emissions too. **1** That's why the Honda Insight became the most fuel efficient sports coupé in existence thanks to its Integrated Motor Assist (IMA) technology. **2** This same technology won Best Fuel Economy in 2003 and Best 1-1.4 litre Engine at the 2004 International Engine of the Year Awards. It also won the BP Green Fleet award for vehicle innovation and Car Manufacturer of the year 2005.

The latest generation IMA technology is found in the new Civic Hybrid. Our new generation i-series engines,

such as our i-VTEC engine, now produce 83% less HC (hydrocarbons) and NOx (oxides of nitrogen) emissions compared to ten years ago. And the production of road-going two stroke engines is now a thing of the past. Even when it comes to boats, if you're after an outboard engine, with Honda you'll only ever get the cleaner four-stroke version because of our commitment to the environment.

At Honda, if we have an idea, we want to make it happen. **3** Take the ground breaking FCX Clarity fuel-cell electric vehicle. The only emission from the vehicle is pure H₂O. The first car of its kind to obtain approval for commercialisation in the US, it's fuelled by the chemical reaction between hydrogen and oxygen. **4** We've even built a solar-powered hydrogen fuelling station at our research institute in Los Angeles. Developed to reduce global dependency on oil in the future, it's the greenest vehicle on the planet, and it's already driving around the streets of Tokyo and LA.

At Honda we want to fill the world with great ideas. Not pollution.

When your Honda eventually comes to the end of its life, Honda is committed to disposing of it in the most environmentally friendly manner. For more information about Honda's approach to end of life vehicles, please go to: www.honda.co.uk/recyclehonda



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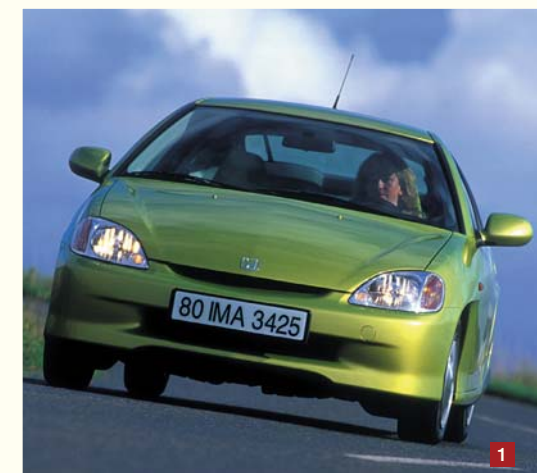
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why do we find it so hard to talk about money?

You've studied it. Talked about it. Dreamed about it. Now you have to pay for it. Just doesn't feel like part of the fun, somehow. So we thought there should be a better way to do this. Not a quick-fix, easy-terms, one-size-fits-all deal, either. Finance that sounds too good to be true usually is. We were thinking 'simple', 'flexible' and 'convenient'. And that's what you get, right from making the deposit.

So where do we start?
With the deposit. Your current car or cash are both fine. You don't have either?
No problem: we can work out a zero-deposit package, too.

Done your sums?
The most important part of any finance is the monthly payments. Only you know how much you can really afford. So tell us. That way, we can work out monthly payments to fit in with your budget. Our finance packages are flexible enough to work round just about anything. After that, it's up to you.

We give you choices right through the process. Including at the end of the agreement. You want to keep the car? Simple: make the final payment and it's all yours.

Or, you can give it back. As long as it's in good condition and within the agreed mileage, you can walk away with nothing more to pay.*

And if you're ready for a new Honda, we'll arrange a part exchange and a new finance package. Easy, really.

Making our finance more straight-forward meant leaving out a few things.

The long, complex forms.
The dense technical jargon.
The wait to see if you've got the go-ahead.
We didn't think you'd miss them.
We don't. All of which means you get your new Honda quicker.
At Honda we call this Finance Friendly.



Of course, none of this is any substitute for talking it over with your local Honda Dealer.

So now you know what to expect from a visit to us. When can we expect a visit from you?

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don't you just hate saying goodbye?

At Honda, we have dedicated teams of people making sure your car is everything you want it to be. Do you and your car then head off into the distance, never to see or hear from us ever again? Absolutely not. That's why we have a specialist team of people who are there for you all the way. So, if we haven't given you enough reasons to buy a new Honda, here are 6 more.

1 Budget for servicing and repairs.

Honda Happiness Budget Plan Servicing

You can budget for all your scheduled servicing and, if required, selected maintenance items (i.e. brake pads and tyres) for a duration and mileage of your choice and pay by monthly direct debit.

2 Extend your warranty to 6 years.

Honda Happiness Guarantee

All Honda cars are covered by a 3 year manufacturer's warranty*, but with the Honda Happiness Guarantee* you can extend this cover for up to an extra 3 years.

3 Free roadside assistance for 3 years.

Honda Happiness European Assistance

With this you benefit from assistance at home, by the roadside and recovery in the UK and Europe.

4 Complimentary 7 day insurance.

Honda Happiness Complimentary 7-Day Driveaway Insurance**

This cover offers market-leading levels of protection and comes with the added comfort of a 3 year authorised repairer guarantee on Honda Genuine parts, should you need to claim following an accident.

5 Insurance cover at competitive rates.

Honda Happiness Annual Insurance**

This insurance scheme has been designed so that Honda owners receive beneficial motor insurance cover at competitive rates.

6 Be covered by several different warranties.

Warranty

- 3 year / 90,000 mile Standard Warranty*
- 3 year Surface Corrosion Warranty*
- 5 year Exhaust System Warranty*
- 10 year Chassis Corrosion Warranty*
- 12 year Structural Corrosion Warranty*

For full details on any of these Honda services, and whether you would qualify, please visit your nearest authorised Honda Dealership.

* Terms and conditions apply.

** For your protection, telephone calls will be recorded and may be monitored.





Model shown is 2.0i VTEC GT

ANTI-LOCK BRAKING SYSTEM (ABS)

The Anti-lock Braking System prevents the wheels from locking when the brakes are applied in an emergency, reducing the possibility of a skid on wet, icy or loose surfaces, and enabling the driver to retain steering control. To further improve braking in all conditions the front brake discs are ventilated.

FUEL CONSUMPTION

The figures for the fuel consumption and CO₂ emissions are to give you an indication of the cars performance. Following legislation by the VCA (Vehicle Certification Agency), all car manufacturers generate these statistics through the same industry standard test. This allows accurate comparison across all manufacturers and models. The tests use a base grade version of the model and do not take into account optional levels of equipment, such as different sized wheels, tyres and other factors that can affect the economy of the model. The test is on a rolling road and there is no additional weight in the car other than the driver (no passengers or cargo) and it does not account for individual driving style, which can mean a difference to the figures achievable in the real world.

HIGH INTENSITY DISCHARGE (HID) HEADLIGHTS

Instead of a bulb, the sealed HID headlights contain xenon gas. An electric spark (arc) passing through the gas produces an even, true white light with a higher intensity than conventional halogen units for improved visibility.

HIGH X-BONE FRAME

In this frame construction, the raised centre tunnel features a strong boxed type structure that connects to the front and rear side members in a single horizontal plane. Completely straight front side members are connected to the floor tunnel, side sills, and floor frame to form a "three-point support structure". Impact load is thus efficiently distributed, resulting in an open body with rigidity and collision safety equal to that of a closed body without the weight penalty.

IN-WHEEL TYPE DOUBLE WISHBONE SUSPENSION

This suspension was specially designed for the Honda S2000 to offer maximum cornering potential and response together with superior stability and linear response. While separately providing strong lateral rigidity, the adoption of this in-wheel type design contributed to keeping the dimensions compact and the centre of gravity low. Bolting the suspension onto sub-frames that are directly attached to the body has further enhanced cornering performance and response.

The use of floating piston type single tube gas filled shock absorbers has contributed to improved roll response, and maximised tyre contact, for high performance and stability. Furthermore, locating the rear suspension's control arm under the lower arm and forward of the axle axis improves toe and camber rigidity for further improved stability and control.

ROLL BARS

The Honda S2000 has two highly rigid roll bars that are reinforced steel hoops and are fitted directly to the chassis. These, along with other safety features, help minimise any injury in the event of a collision.

TRACTION CONTROL

Traction control is integrated into the VSA and helps the Honda S2000 to accelerate smoothly on slippery surfaces. Any wheel about to break traction upon acceleration will have its brake applied and/or power diverted from it until secure traction is regained.

VEHICLE STABILITY ASSIST (VSA)

With an array of sensors, Vehicle Stability Assist (VSA) has been designed to detect incidences of both understeer and oversteer. Based on the severity of the condition, the system can increase engine power and/or apply braking to an individual wheel in order to correct the situation and return to the intended course. This system works seamlessly and unobtrusively to ensure a safe passage. In addition to aiding cornering stability, the system also acts as a traction control device.

2.0i VTEC ENGINE

This engine varies the amount of valve lift and the duration of valve opening during the intake stroke of each engine cylinder. The effect is optimised combustion over changing engine speeds with the result of reduced fuel combustion and emissions as well as increased engine performance.



Honda engineers gain insights from everywhere and treat every environment they work in as a place to learn. But what is transferable between the Honda S2000 and a boat? Well this isn't a regular boat, this is a Honda Formula 4-Stroke powerboat from our racing series and there are more similarities than you might think.

Take the engines. The Honda S2000 has an incredible high revving engine designed to give the maximum performance and thrill to the driver. Where better to learn about the strength and ability of an engine at high revs than in a powerboat race? To produce enough power to cut through waves at speeds of 70mph, the engines are at full throttle for much of the race, placing massive stresses on the engine.

As we continue to race, we learn from our experiences and use them to help develop and improve our future engines. Our racing is a continuous search for improvement, knowing that every field that we are involved in can inspire something new. So we will keep on racing, so we can keep on learning. That's what we call the Power of Dreams.



platinumwhite
newformulared
berlinablack
moonrockgrey
bermudablue
synchrosilver
newwindyyellow

The colour of your car can say a lot about you. Recent studies have shown that blue cars are chosen by perfectionists and those more deliberate in their actions. Drivers of silver cars are often quietly confident, cool, calm and collected. A grey car often reflects a calm nature and someone dedicated to their work. Red cars are driven by those who are passionate and full of zest, energy and drive. A yellow car often has an intelligent and imaginative driver while black has often been the choice of the rebel.

So think hard before you decide - does your colour match your personality?



	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	●	-	●
2.0i VTEC GT	●	-	●

Platinum White Pearl

● standard - not available

	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	●	-	-
2.0i VTEC GT	●	-	-

New Formula Red

● standard - not available

	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	●	●	●
2.0i VTEC GT	●	●	●

Berlina Black

● standard - not available

	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	●	●	●
2.0i VTEC GT	●	●	●

Moon Rock Grey Metallic

● standard - not available

	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	●	-	-
2.0i VTEC GT	●	-	-

Bermuda Blue Pearl

● standard - not available

	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	●	-	●
2.0i VTEC GT	●	-	●

Synchro Silver Metallic

● standard - not available

	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	●	-	-
2.0i VTEC GT	●	-	-

New Indy Yellow Pearl


● standard - not available



Platinum White Pearl




New Formula Red



Berlina Black



Moon Rock Grey Metallic



Bermuda Blue Pearl



Synchro Silver Metallic



New Indy Yellow Pearl