HONDA ODYSSEY

The Honda Odyssey: where space meets luxury.

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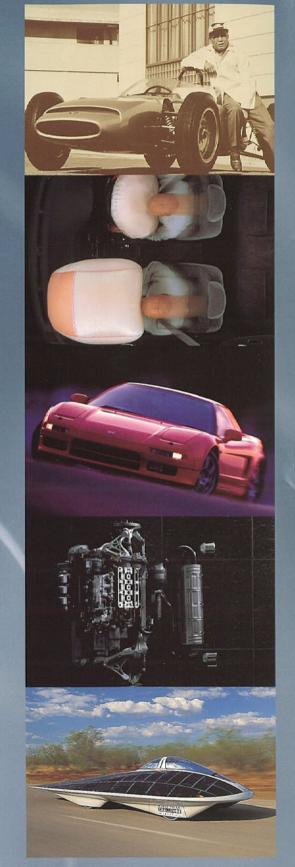
Everything we do is driven by the vision of our founder, Soichiro Honda: "...to challenge conventional wisdom and create new, more useful technology."

This means technology is never considered as an end in itself but as a means to make our cars safer, more efficient and more user-friendly.

Undoubtedly motor racing provides the quickest road to achieving such innovation. One spectacular example is the NSX - a direct creation of our Formula One program - hailed by Motor Trend as: "The best sports car the world has ever produced. Any time. Any place. Any price."

NSX pioneered many beneficial advances - including VTEC - which are now endowed to the range. But at Honda we not only strive to deliver a better quality of life for our drivers but for the environment as well. For instance, most of our cars' plastic components are recyclable and we are making serious progress in the development of alternate energy vehicles.

So as a result of challenging the conventional, every Honda is more powerful, reliable, safe and responsible. Yet best of all, it is also more pleasurable to drive.





Imagine a vehicle with all the space of a people mover and all the driving pleasure and manoeuvrability of a luxury car.

Introducing the Honda Odyssey - a totally new concept in motoring.

The Odyssey comes with a choice of six or seven seats.

It meets the world's most stringent safety standards. And it delivers the same dynamic performance you'd expect from any vehicle bearing the Honda insignia.

Winner of Wheels Car of the Year, two-time winner of the NRMA's Best Family Wagon and three-time winner of the RACV's Best Passenger Van, the Odyssey really is in a class of its own.

Providing both the driveability and safety standards of a luxury sedan and the comfort and space of a people mover, the Odyssey goes far beyond the mere combination of existing vehicle concepts.

It has four wide doors and a lower step height than most comparable vehicles.

It can seat up to seven adults in luxury, with each seat slightly raised so that all passengers have an unimpeded view.

It purrs through city traffic as smoothly and silently as a sedan, yet it can carry a shopful of surfboards in its spacious cargo area.

And remarkably, it brings all of its many and diverse characteristics together in perfect harmony.







A room with a view, and all the comforts of home.



The low floor creates a low step-in height for easy access.

Air conditioning for all.

Once aboard the Odyssey, innovation is apparent everywhere.

To ensure the best possible view, the floor is slightly tilted, rising towards the rear of the cabin. So, just like a modern theatre, nobody's view is restricted by the person in front.

The first row captain-style bucket seats are deeply padded, firm yet forgiving, each equipped with its own armrest and adjustable headrest.

In the 7-seater, the second row bench seat is actually in two pieces. A seamless join in the middle - and armrests - ensure that three passengers can sit across it in comfort.

In the 6-seater version, a centre walk through aisle provides easy access to every part of the vehicle. The 6-seater's second row also features lightweight, detachable, captain-style bucket seats.

And in both versions, the third row is a wide and comfortable single bench that retracts or reverses in seconds.

Access is further enhanced by the four sedan-style doors and the low, flat floor.

The low overall body height also allows easy access to the roof.



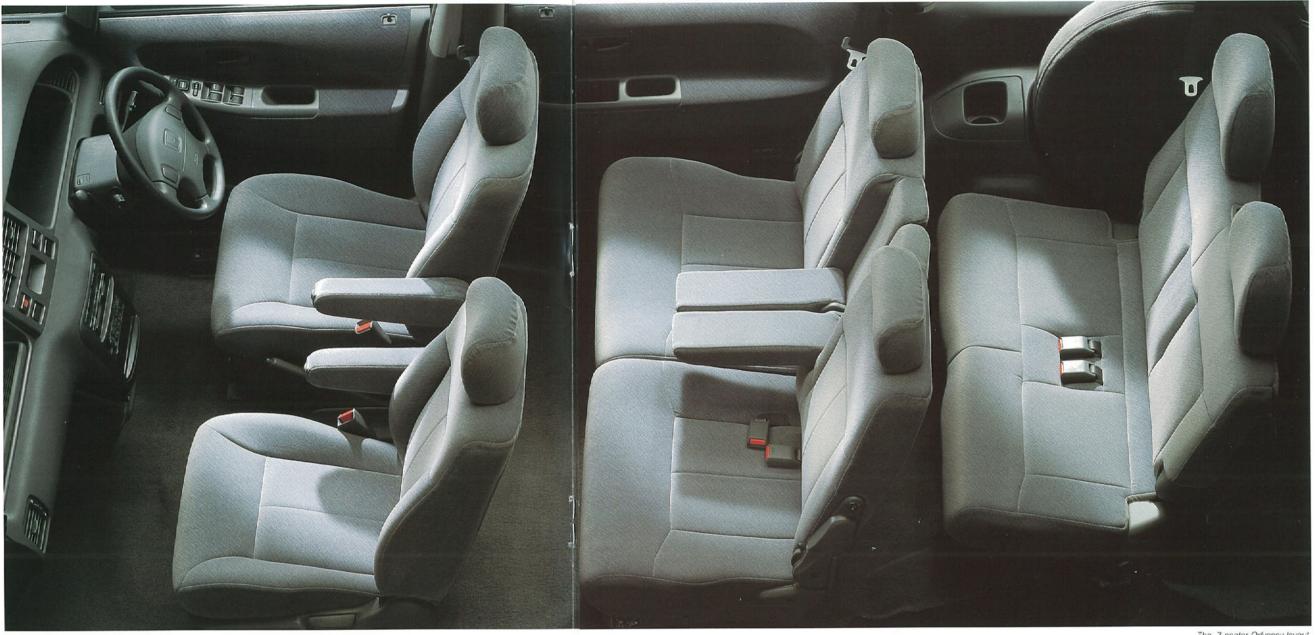
And in another innovation, the whisperquiet dual air conditioning system serves rear passengers as efficiently as those in the front seats.

The addition of cruise control makes those long trips more a pleasurable adventure than an uncomfortable chore.

And there are extra luxury features such as six large cupholders, a four speaker AM/FM radio stereo cassette player, power windows plus enough additional storage space to give every passenger room for their belongings.



Easy 4 door access.



The 7-seater Odyssey layout.

Seating - a numbers game the Odyssey always wins.

Forget '2+2' seating. The Odyssey has invented the '2+3+1', '2+1+2', '2+3+2', or the 'pick any number between 1 and 7 and combine them how you will' seating.

With the added advantage that every seat is luxuriously comfortable and spacious. So now you can combine passengers with cargo any way you want. From surfboards to schoolgirls, bikes to basketball teams.



Where space meets luxury.



The 6-seater Odyssey layout.



With the rear seat stored in the floor, there's plenty of room for cargo.



Adjustable front seat armrest.



Roomy glove compartment.



Driver's storage pocket.



Handy map pocket.

















The 3rd row seat can be folded to the floor or reversed outwards.



Rearrange the seats to suit your needs.



Plenty of room, even with all the seats up.

Protecting the most precious cargo of all.



Nothing could be more important than the safety of your passengers - the most precious cargo of all.

That's why the Odyssey offers the highest standards of safety.

Accordingly, it surpasses the 1997 U.S. regulations for side impact protection, some of the strictest in the world.

There are two airbags, one for the front seat passenger as well as one for the driver.

4 wheel disc brakes, with ABS for the best available balance of stopping power and control.

Extra strengthening of the chassis.

Extra body reinforcement at critical points around the car, especially the rear end of the cabin.

Impact-absorbing bumper bars, front and rear.

And 3-point seatbelts for all passengers in the 6-seater, with an extra lap belt in the middle of the second row of the 7-seater.

In addition, you will find safety working for you in many other ways.

Like the excellent all-round visibility.

While the front-mounted engine allows for a far more effective impact-absorbing body structure, providing a life-saving crumple zone between you and harm's way.

Not to mention, the sedan-like handling characteristics, with a 4-wheel, independent, double-wishbone suspension, including Honda's Load Sensing Proportioning Valve (LSPV).

As its name suggests, the LSPV measures fore and aft variances in load inside the Odyssey, and then proportionately adjusts the force on the rear brakes.

This gives you the most efficient and reliable braking balance, regardless of the load.

Extensive crash-testing helped provide essential data for the computer-generated design of the body.

As a result, you are surrounded by a rigid safety 'cage', giving increased protection from all sides.

The main chassis, the doors, the sills, the engine compartment and all the critical points of the main frame have been heavily reinforced.

provides a strong flex-resistant platform





The added protection is improved further by impact-absorbing zones, front, back and sides, which surround the cabin and soften the blow.

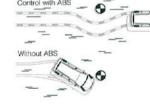
No matter where the passengers sit in the Odyssey, the driver's view of the road is excellent.

The large, safety glass windscreen and windows, complemented by the additional window in front of the A pillar, give excellent all-round vision.

And to ensure that your valuable investment is protected, an immobilizer system has been fitted which totally disables the car if the correct ignition key is not used.



Honda's ABS system



"Now, who wants to drive?"



Even when fully loaded with a crew of seven adults, the Odyssey performs with the agility and road manners of a luxury sedan.

The secret is Honda's race-bred, VTEC 2.3 litre, 16 valve engine of lightweight aluminium construction, aided by the Formula One-inspired advanced fuel management system of PGM-FI (programmed fuel injection). The result is high fuel economy plus 110kW of sedan-like power.

Contributing further to smooth driveability is a 4-speed automatic transmission with Grade Logic Control. Fully computerized, this feature of Honda advanced technology analyses everything from engine speed to the slope of the road.

Uphill, it prevents hunting between third and fourth gears. Downhill, it enhances engine braking. And in stop and go traffic, it adjusts shift timing to improve driving performance.

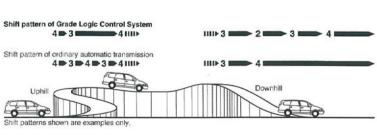
The shift lever is conveniently located on the steering column. (This leaves floor space free for the walk-through to rear seats.)

The shift feeling is positive and responsive with the gear positions displayed on the dash. Smooth stopping is enhanced

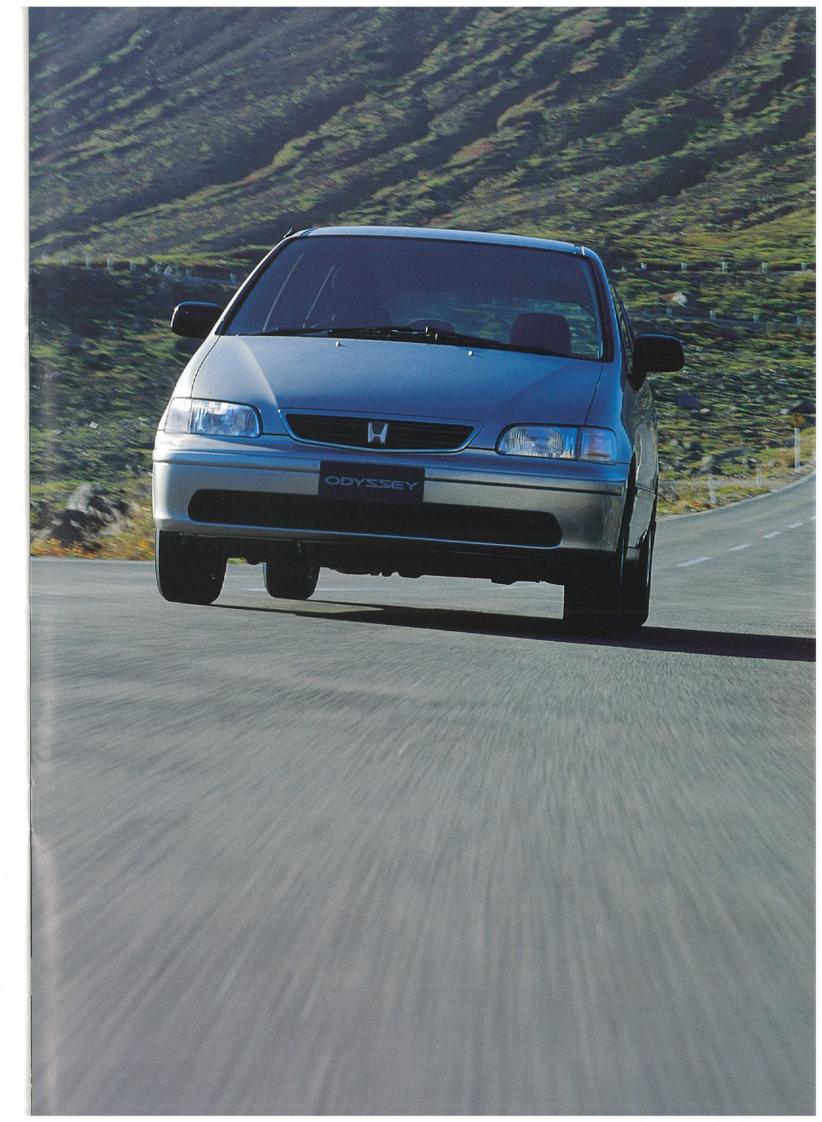
by the all round disc brakes, ABS and the sophisticated balancing of the LSPV.

The low centre of gravity and Odyssey's long wheelbase create exceptional stability with the help of its refined 4-wheel double-wishbone suspension. Independent control is applied to each wheel, giving the comfort and precise handling of a sedan.

And just like a sedan, the Odyssey has power steering and an impressive turning circle to make manoeuvring safe and simple.



Shift patterns are examples only.



The tradition continues.



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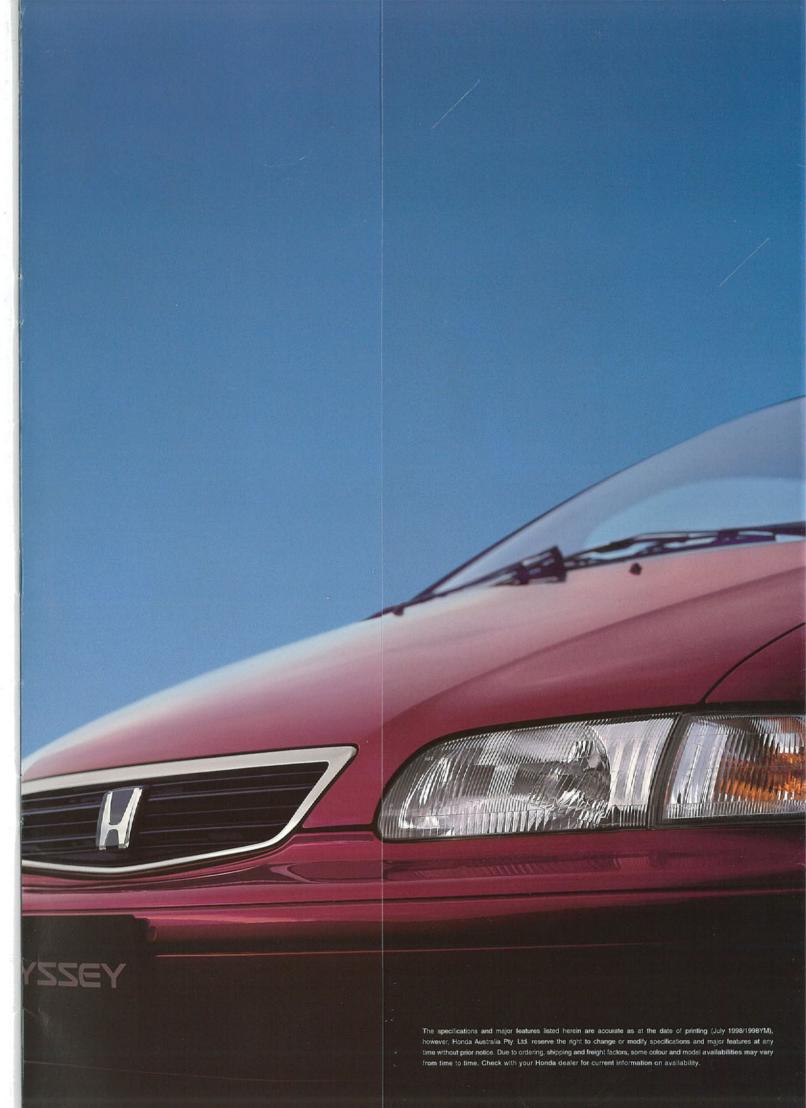
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