

WardsAuto Names Wards 10 Best Engines & Propulsion Systems Winners for 2024

Winners to be honored at 30th anniversary award ceremony October 10 in Detroit

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-- WardsAuto has unveiled the winners
of its prestigious 2024 Wards 10 Best
Engines & Propulsion Systems awards.
Reflecting the automotive industry's
evolving strategy towards



electrification, this year's honorees highlight a broader spectrum of technologies. As manufacturers move beyond an almost exclusive concentration on battery-electric vehicles to embrace a variety of hybrid solutions, the 2024 award recipients embody this diversified approach.

For three decades, the Wards 10 Best Engines & Propulsion Systems list has honored the top propulsion systems, assessing them on criteria such as horsepower, torque, NVH management, observed efficiency, and cutting-edge technology. Though a price cap for nominees existed from 1995 until its removal in 2021, value continues to be a key consideration. Only powertrains that are either completely new or substantially upgraded are eligible for evaluation.

"With the electrified market mix shifting to a blend of battery-electrics and hybrids, our list truly reflects – and predicts – where propulsion system development is headed as the industry continues its transition from internal-combustion power to full electrification," says Bob Gritzinger, WardsAuto editor-in-chief.

"Our judges are equally excited about the wide range of propulsion systems on our 30th annual list, whether in the form of a battery-electric, hybrid, plug-in hybrid or internal-combustion-powered vehicle," he says. "It's truly a fantastic time to be able to sample and appreciate the variety of powertrains the industry has to offer."

WardsAuto editors evaluated 34 nominees for 2024: 25 electrified vehicles, including 13 BEVs, six HEVs and six PHEVs, along with nine ICEs. Most of the hybrids employed 4-cyl. support, but

hybridization also was deployed with three 6-cyls. and two V-8s.

2024 Wards 10 Best Engines & Propulsion Systems Winners (listed in alphabetical order):

- BMW X5 xDrive50e 3.0L Turbocharged I-6 PHEV
- Chevrolet Corvette E-Ray 6.2L V-8 HEV
- Ford F-150 PowerBoost 3.5L Turbocharged V-6 HEV
- Honda Civic Hybrid 2.0L I-4 HEV
- Hyundai Ioniq 5 N AWD Electric Propulsion System
- Kia EV9 GT Electric Propulsion System
- Porsche Cayenne E-Hybrid 3.0L Turbocharged V-6 HEV
- Ram 1500 Tungsten 3.0L Turbocharged I-6
- Toyota Camry XSE AWD 2.5L I-4 HEV
- Toyota Corolla GR 1.6L Turbocharged I-3

The 2024 Wards 10 Best Engines & Propulsion Systems winners will be honored October 10 during an award ceremony at Huntington Place in Detroit, MI.

This year's celebration will not only shine a spotlight on the 2024 winners, but also extend a special invitation to all honorees from the past three decades. In a unique ceremony, WardsAuto will pay tribute to their achievements. Additionally, WardsAuto will acknowledge and award the automaker that has garnered the highest number of Wards 10 Best Engines & Propulsion Systems trophies.

The event is an exclusive, invite-only gathering for winning automakers, sponsors and credentialed members of the press and media.

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Celebrating its 30th anniversary, Wards 10 Best Engines & Propulsion Systems honors innovative engineering in the latest powertrains offered in vehicles in the U.S. market. The winners showcase a diverse array of internal combustion and electrified propulsion technologies. Each year, WardsAuto editors rigorously evaluate a wide variety of vehicles, meticulously scoring each powertrain on various factors. The ceremony brings together hundreds of the world's leading powertrain experts to honor the crème de la crème of the industry for their outstanding

achievements in powertrain excellence.

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