



Kia EV5 Standard Range FWD (2026-...) (Europe)

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Years of Production 2026
Market Availability EU

Country of Manufacture South Korea

Current Status Announced

Body Style SUV

Price Europe (New/Used) €No data/No data

Range and Efficiency

Range EPA 644 km
Range WLTP No data
Range GCC 612 km
Battery (Usable/Nominal) 57.3/60.3 kWh
Efficiency (Energy/Range) 9.4 kWh/100 km
Efficiency (Range/Energy) 10.68 km/kWh

Charging

Architecture 800 V
Max AC Charging 6.6 kW
Max DC Charging 102 kW (97 kW at 400 V)
Charge Port CCS Type 2

Performance

Drive Type FWD PMSM

Motor (Power/Torque) 160 kW (215 hp)/310 Nm

Acceleration 0-100 km/h 8.5 s

Top Speed 185 km/h

Dimensions

Length4615 mmWidth (with Mirrors/no Mirrors)No dataHeight1715 mmWheelbase2750 mm

Cargo and Towing

Number of Seats 5
Curb Weight 1948 kg
Cargo Volume (Trunk/Max/Frunk) 513/1714/67 I
Towing Capacity 300 kg

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About Kia EV5 Standard Range FWD (2026-...)

Overview

Get ready for the 2026 Kia EV5, a seriously stylish all-electric family SUV set to shake up the market. Slotting in as a smaller sibling to the brilliant EV9, this Standard Range FWD model is the entry point to the range. It packages Kia's head-turning "Opposites United" design philosophy and a high-tech, practical interior into a more compact and accessible offering. While final European pricing is yet to be announced, it's poised to be a hugely competitive alternative to rivals like the VW ID.4 and Skoda Enyaq, bringing premium features like 800V architecture to the mainstream.

What's New for 2026?

As an all-new model for 2026, absolutely everything about the Kia EV5 is fresh out of the box. It marks a significant new chapter for Kia, bringing the bold design language and advanced technology first seen on the larger EV9 to a broader audience. For the European market, its arrival introduces a new contender built on an advanced 800-volt electrical architecture, a feature typically reserved for more expensive EVs. This ground-up design focuses on maximising interior space, practicality, and efficiency, setting a new benchmark for what families can expect from an electric SUV.

Design & Exterior

The EV5 is a proper head-turner, looking like a fantastic mini-me of the flagship EV9. Its bold "Opposites United" design features the distinctive digital 'Tiger Face' front, complete with futuristic Star Map LED daytime running lights that give it an unmistakable presence. The overall shape is chunky and confident, yet clean and aerodynamic. Measuring 4615 mm in length, 1875 mm in width, and 1715 mm in height, it has the perfect dimensions for a practical family hauler. This Standard Range FWD trim will likely feature aerodynamically-optimised wheels to help it slice through the air efficiently.

Interior, Tech & Cargo

Step inside, and the EV5 wows with a minimalist, lounge-like cabin. The dashboard is dominated by a stunning panoramic widescreen display that merges the driver's instruments and central infotainment into one slick unit, running Kia's latest software with standard Apple CarPlay and Android Auto. Passenger space is excellent thanks to a long 2750 mm wheelbase and flat floor. It's massively practical, too! You get a huge 513-litre boot, which expands to a van-like 1714 litres with the seats folded. Plus, there's a handy 67-litre frunk under the bonnet for stashing charging cables.

Performance & Driving Experience

This Standard Range model is all about smooth, efficient progress. It's powered by a single Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (PMSM) driving the front wheels, producing a healthy 160 kW of power and 310 Nm of torque. That's enough grunt to get you from 0-100 km/h in a respectable 8.5 seconds, making it feel plenty nippy around town and confident on the motorway. With a top speed of 185 km/h, the driving experience is geared towards comfort and quiet refinement rather than outright sportiness, providing a serene and easy-going drive perfect for the daily grind.

Range, Battery & Charging

The EV5 Standard Range FWD is seriously efficient. It packs a 57.3 kWh usable battery, which Green Cars Compare calculates will deliver an impressive real-world range of 612 km, achieving a stellar efficiency of 10.68 km/kWh. Charging is handled by a CCS Type 2 port. At home on a standard 6.6 kW AC wallbox, a full charge takes around 9 hours. Thanks to its 800V architecture, DC fast charging is quick, peaking at 102 kW. This allows for a 10-80% top-up in around 25 minutes, getting you back on the road in no time.

Safety & Driver-Assistance Features

While the EV5 is yet to be crash-tested by Euro NCAP, it's expected to achieve a top five-star rating, given Kia's excellent safety record. It will come loaded with the brand's latest DriveWise assistance systems. Standard kit on this trim should include essentials like Forward Collision-Avoidance Assist, Lane Following and Keeping Assist, and Blind-Spot Collision-Avoidance Assist. More advanced features, such as the full Highway Driving Assist 2 with lane-change functionality and Remote Smart Parking Assist, will likely be available as part of an optional package.

Warranty & Maintenance Coverage

One of Kia's biggest trump cards is its industry-leading warranty, and the EV5 is no exception. Owners in Europe will benefit from the famous 7-year or 150,000 km bumper-to-bumper vehicle warranty. This comprehensive coverage also extends to the high-voltage battery and electric motor components, guaranteeing the battery will retain at least 70% of its original capacity during that period. This provides incredible peace of mind, backed by Kia's strong reputation for reliability and the inherently lower maintenance requirements of an all-electric powertrain.

How powerful is it? How fast does it accelerate?

The Kia EV5 Standard Range FWD (2026-...) can accelerate from 0 to 60 mph in 8.2 seconds (Nº66 out of 120 ranked positions, among 1000 electric vehicles, with some cars sharing positions) and reach a top speed of 115 mph.

The car's powertrain delivers up to 160 kW (215 hp) of power and 229 lb-ft of torque.

How far can it go on single charge? What is the real-world range?

Real-world range of the Kia EV5 Standard Range FWD (2026-...) is 380 miles (Nº22 out of 268 ranked positions, among 1000 electric vehicles, with some cars sharing positions) — depending on several factors, including:

- Speed: Higher speeds deplete the battery faster.
- Temperature: Extreme cold and hot weather impacts range.
- Terrain: Hilly or mountainous terrain reduces range.
- Driving style: Aggressive driving with frequent acceleration and braking consumes more energy.
- Use of features: Features like climate control and media system also affect range.

It's important to remember that these are just estimates, and your actual range may vary. It's always best to factor in these various factors when planning your trip and be prepared for potential charging stops.

Plan your trips using the EV Navigation interactive map.

What charging options are available? How long does it take to charge it?

In the USA Kia EV5 Standard Range FWD (2026-...) has a Tesla (NACS) charge port.

- You can charge it at home using a standard domestic socket or plug into any public AC charging station using the right cable. Keep in mind that the car's on-board charger (inverter) limits the maximum AC charging rate to 6.6 kW, which translates to approximately 39 miles of range added per hour of charging.
- For quicker charging, consider using a compatible DC fast-charging station. The car boasts a maximum charging rate of 102 kW, but remember that battery temperature and charge level can influence the actual speed you'll experience.

Estimate charging time, rate and cost using EV Charging Calculator.

How big is it? What are the dimensions (length, width, height)?

Here are the dimensions and weight for the Kia EV5 Standard Range FWD (2026-...):

• Length: 181.7 in

• Width: in (including side mirrors) or 73.8 in (excluding side mirrors)

• Height: 67.5 in

Wheelbase: 108.3 in (distance between the center of the front and rear wheels)

• Curb weight: 4294 lbs (weight of the empty car, no people or cargo)

How much cargo space does it offer? Does it have a front trunk?

Here's a breakdown of the Kia EV5 Standard Range FWD (2026-...) cargo space:

- Trunk capacity: With the rear seats up, you get 18.1 cubic feet of cargo space in the back (№82 out of 169 ranked positions, among 1000 electric vehicles, with some cars sharing positions).
- Max cargo capacity: Fold down the rear seats, and you open up 60.5 cubic feet of total cargo space (Nº62 out of 204 ranked positions, among 1000 electric vehicles, with some cars sharing positions).
- Frunk capacity: The front trunk is called a "frunk", and it offers an additional 2.4 cubic feet for storing small items.

Is it suitable for towing? What is the maximum towing capacity?

The Kia EV5 Standard Range FWD (2026-...) has a towing capacity (braked) of up to 661 lbs (maximum weight the car can tow safely with a trailer that has its own brakes).

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