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The new engine proves surprisingly capable in this three-row SUV. While total horsepower drops slightly from the outgoing V6, the increased torque arrives earlier in the rev range, providing confident acceleration for daily driving. More importantly, fuel economy improves to 22 mpg city and 27 mpg highway with all-wheel drive.

Inside, the QX60 continues to impress with its straightforward, premium design. The 12.3-inch touchscreen anchors a dashboard that thankfully retains physical controls for common functions.



The 2025 Infiniti QX60's sculptured design stands out further with the new Black Edition's darkened trim and wheels.

New for 2025, the Luxe trim adds a 17-speaker Bose audio system as standard equipment, delivering impressive sound quality throughout the cabin.

Interior space remains a strong point. Seven passengers fit comfortably — six with the optional second-row captain's chairs — and the third row proves usable for more than just children.

Thoughtful features such as a tilt-and-slide second row that works with child seats installed make daily life easier. Cargo capacity ranges from 14.5 cubic feet behind the third row to 75.4 cubic feet with both rear rows folded.

Our test vehicle came equipped with the new Black Edition package, which adds gloss black 20-inch wheels, exterior trim, and roof rails. While visually striking, these largest available wheels contribute to a somewhat firm ride. The standard 18- or 19-inch options likely offer better compliance over rough pavement.

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suite impresses, with wireless Apple CarPlay, Android Auto and a comprehensive set of driver assistance features as standard equipment.

The available ProPilot Assist system with Navi-link provides capable semi-automated driving on highways, though it remains more conservative in operation than some competitors' systems.

At \$62,745 as tested, our Luxe AWD model with the Black Edition package represents decent value in the premium three-row segment. While some interior materials remind you of Infiniti's Nissan parentage, the overall package delivers on the luxury promise without breaking the bank.

The variable compression engine technology, while complex, offers a clever solution to the power-versus-efficiency compromise. Combined with the QX60's practical interior and comprehensive feature set, it creates a compelling option for luxury buyers who want capability without frivolous excess.

AT A GLANCE

HAT WAS TESTED?

2025 Infiniti QX60 Luxe AWD (\$58,800). Options: Black Edition (\$1,900), premium paint (\$695). Price as tested (including \$1,350 destination charge): \$62,745

BY THE NUMBERS

Wheelbase: 114.2 in.
Length: 198.2 in.
Width: 86 in.
Height: 69.7 in.
Engine: 2.0-liter
turbocharged four
cylinder (268 hp, 286 lbs.
ft.)

Transmission: Ninespeed automatic Fuel Economy: 22 city, 27 highway

RATINGS

Style: 9
Performance: 6
Price: 6
Handling: 7
Ride: 7
Comfort: 8
Quality: 7

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