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This flagship model pampers passengers in all three rows. The second row, in particular, receives royal treatment with massaging captain's chairs controlled through a dedicated touchscreen in the rear console.

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The 24-speaker Klipsch Reference Premiere audio system provides concert-hall sound quality, with innovative Individual Audio functionality that can direct different audio sources to different seating positions.

Power comes from a twin-turbocharged 3.5-liter V6, producing 450 horsepower and 516 lb-ft of torque. This powerplant provides effortless acceleration while improving fuel efficiency board, while ProPILOT Assist over its predecessor, though

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The Autograph's exterior distinguishes itself with a two-tone roof treatment and dark chrome trim, riding on unique Layered Turbine 22-inch wheels. While these touches add visual drama, they're subtle enough to maintain the QX80's elegant presence.

Practically speaking, this ultra-luxurious trim level creates an interesting paradox. While the QX80 maintains impressive capability with 8,500 pounds of towing capacity and genuine offroad ability, the sumptuous interior almost makes you hesitate to use it for traditional SUV tasks.

Moving cargo requires careful attention to protect the premium materials, though thoughtful features such as a power-folding third row and hands-free liftgate make such tasks easier.

Comfort features abound, including the segment-first Biometric Cooling system that automatically detects and responds to passengers' temperature needs. The front console cool box and comprehensive camera system, including Front Wide

View and Invisible Hood View, add convenience to everyday use.

At over \$110,000 to start, the QX80 Autograph competes with some of the most prestigious luxury SUVs on the market.

While that's rarefied air for Infiniti, the level of craftsmanship, technology and attention to detail justifies its position in this segment. It may make you think twice before using it as a traditional SUV, but that seems beside the point.

This is luxury transportation first, utility vehicle second.

AT A GLANCE

WHAT WAS TESTED?

2025 Infiniti QX80 Autograph (\$110,595). Options: Interior lighting package (\$1,020), cargo blocks (\$42), soft-sided cargo cooler (\$169), cargo shelf (\$360). Price as tested (including \$1,995 destination charge): \$114,181

BY THE NUMBERS

Wheelbase: 121 in. Length: 211.2 in. Width: 83.3 in. Height: 77.9 in. Engine: Twinturbocharged 3.5-liter V6 (450 hp, 516 ft. lbs.) Transmission: Ninespeed automatic MPG: 15 city, 19 highway

RATINGS

Style: 8 Performance: 9 Price: 4 Handling: 5 Ride: 9 Comfort: 9 **Quality: 8** Overall: 9

WHY BUY IT?

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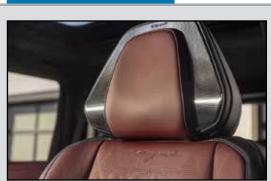
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