2018 MDX vs. 2017 Lexus RX 350



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Introduced in 1997, the Lexus RX has the distinction of starting the luxury crossover market. Currently in its fourth generation, the RX was all-new for 2016. It is offered in base and F SPORT trim levels with a number of available option packages. The RX 350 comes standard with a 3.5-liter V-6 engine and 8-speed automatic transmission. A hybrid version is also available (RX 450h) with a Continuously Variable Transmission.

Although the RX 350 offers a great deal of luxury and technology, its options are offered in pricey groups, while the MDX has an array of standard features and a simpler model structure.

Acura MDX advantages over Lexus RX 350

- The MDX offers a number of fuel-saving technologies like Variable Cylinder Management[™] (VCM[®]) and available Idle Stop for improved fuel efficiency.¹
- Standard 9-speed automatic transmission with pushbutton gear selector (vs. 8-speed automatic transmission and conventional gear selector).
- More sophisticated torque-vectoring all-wheel-drive system.
- The MDX comes with a host of standard and available features that you won't find on the RX 350:
 - Standard Direct Fuel Injection
 - Standard Agile Handling Assist^{®2}
 - Standard capless fuel fill
 - Standard third-row seating
 - Standard walk away auto locking system
 - Available GPS-linked³ climate control when equipped with navigation
 - Standard Active Sound Control
 - Available remote engine start
 - Standard Apple CarPlay™⁴ and Android™ Auto⁵
 - Standard On Demand Multi-Use Display™ (ODMD™)
 - Standard Lane Keeping Assist System (LKAS)⁶
 - Standard Road Departure Mitigation system⁷
 - Available Song By Voice
 - Standard Aha[™] compatibility⁸
- In addition, you'll have to pay extra on the RX 350 to get these standard MDX features:
 - Paddle shifters
 - Power moonroof
 - Leather-appointed seating
 - Driver seat memory
 - Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) with low-speed follow⁹
 - Forward Collision Warning (FCW) system¹⁰
 - Lane Departure Warning (LDW) system¹¹
 - Collision Mitigation Braking System™ (CMBS™)¹²
 - Pandora® compatibility¹³

Lexus RX 350 advantages over Acura MDX

- Available panoramic moonroof
- Standard 10-way power front passenger seat
- Available head-up display
- Driver and front passenger knee airbags (vs. driver only)
- Available rear seat-mounted side airbags
- More headroom and legroom
- Longer corrosion warranty (6 years/unlimited miles vs. 5 years/unlimited miles)

DISCLAIMERS

- 1 Based on 2017/2018 EPA mileage ratings. Use for comparison purposes only. Your actual mileage will vary depending on how you drive and maintain your vehicle, driving conditions, and other factors.
- 2 The Agile Handling Assist system cannot enhance stability in all driving situations. You still need to drive and corner at speeds appropriate for the conditions and always leave a sufficient margin of safety.
- 3 Acura Navigation System and related features available only in the United States, Puerto Rico and parts of Canada. See your local Acura dealer for information regarding navigation system area coverage.
- 4 Depending on use, Apple CarPlay can share certain user and vehicle information (e.g., vehicle location, speed and other operating conditions) with the connected iPhone. See Apple's privacy policy for details regarding Apple's use and handling of data uploaded by CarPlay. Use of CarPlay is at user's own risk, and is subject to agreement to the CarPlay terms of use, which are included as part of the Apple iOS terms of use. CarPlay vehicle integration is provided "as is," and Honda cannot guarantee CarPlay operability or functionality now or in the future due to, among other conditions, changes in CarPlay software/ Apple iOS, service interruptions, or incompatibility or obsolesce of vehicle-integrated hardware or software. See dealer for details.
- 5 Depending on use, Android Auto can share certain user and vehicle information (e.g., vehicle location, speed and other operating conditions) with Google and its service providers. See Google privacy policy for details regarding Google's use and handling of data uploaded by Android Auto. Use of Android Auto is at user's own risk, and is subject to agreement to the Android Auto terms of use, which are presented to the user when the Android Auto application is downloaded to the user's Android phone. Android Auto vehicle integration is provided "as is," and Acura cannot guarantee Android Auto operability or functionality now or in the future due to, among other conditions, changes in Android Auto software/Android Auto when conditions allow you to do so safely.
- 6 LKAS only assists driver in maintaining proper lane position when lane markings are identified without a turn signal in use and can only apply mild steering torque to assist. LKAS may not detect all lane markings; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and road condition. System operation affected by extreme interior heat. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions.
- 7 Road Departure Mitigation may not detect all lane markings or lane departures; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and road conditions. System operation affected by extreme interior heat. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions.
- 8 Compatible smartphone required. All Aha platform feeds are audible, not visual in nature. Vehicle does not provide any feeds. Some state laws prohibit the operation of handheld electronic devices while operating a vehicle. Launch smartphone applications only when the vehicle is safely parked. Aha is a trademark of HARMAN International Industries, Inc. Your wireless carrier's rates may apply.
- 9 Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) with low-speed follow cannot detect all objects ahead and may not detect a given object; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and other factors. ACC should not be used in heavy traffic, poor weather or on winding roads. The driver remains responsible for avoiding a collision.
- 10 FCW cannot detect all objects ahead and may not detect a given object; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and other factors. System operation affected by extreme interior heat. FCW does not include a braking function. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions.
- 11 LDW only alerts drivers when lane drift is detected without a turn signal in use. LDW may not detect all lane markings or lane departures; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and road condition. System operation affected by extreme interior heat. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions.
- 12 CMBS cannot detect all objects ahead and may not detect a given object; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and other factors. System operation affected by extreme interior heat. System designed to mitigate crash forces. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions.
- 13 Compatible with select smartphones. Your wireless carrier's rate plans apply.