

Chrysler family stars



CHRYSLER LLC's "family rooms on wheels" have been awarded the motor industry's highest honours.

For the first time in the award's history, the all-new 2008 Chrysler Town & Country (Grand Voyager in South Africa) and its U.S.A.-only Dodge Grand Caravan sibling

captured all of the votes for best minivans in the 2008 International Car of the Year Awards (ICOTY), leaving no room for third-place contenders.

The 2008 Chrysler Town & Country earned first place in two categories, International Truck of the Year and The Most Compatible Minivan of the

Year, while the Dodge Grand Caravan earned second place in Most Compatible Minivan of the Year category as well.

As the fifth generation of industry-leading minivans, the Chrysler and Dodge are designed to be "family rooms on wheels", with each offering distinct advantages in the areas of safety, fuel economy, functionality and design.

The ICOTY awards are voted

on by a panel representing a variety of automotive media. The ICOTY awards honour vehicles made in all countries around the world that are sold in North America. The awards are a salute to automakers and their teams for their success in connecting with consumers.

J.D. Power tabulated the jury votes.

The new Chrysler Grand Voyager will make its first appearance on the local market in the second quarter of 2008.

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