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### Top family movers - Chrysler, Dodge offer comfort, safety, space

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The fabulous Pezula resort in Knysna in the Cape played host to the launch of two new vehicles from the Chrysler and Dodge stables this week, with the all-new Voyager being joined by the debuting Journey.



Despite the similarity in the names, the two are in fact very different vehicles.

Whereas the Chrysler Voyager is the latest version of the hugely successful and pioneering mini-van that revolutionised family transport 25 years ago, the Journey is a cross-over vehicle with five-plus-two seating and typical Dodge styling.

More than 12 million Voyagers have been sold in the past two-and-a-half decades, and the latest version improves on the theme of the ultimate people carrier.

The new Voyager is a larger vehicle. Weighing in at over two-and-a-half tons it is pretty near impossible for it to chug along without feeling laboured.

But it is the application and interior layout of the car that impresses.

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The new model is laden with improved safety and creature comfort features that include side curtain air bags that extend to the third row of seats, incredible storage via the stow-'n-go option, and clever seat configuration, swivel-'n-go halo. Added to the mood lighting are individual LED lights that can be aimed, optional DVD screens with inputs for game consoles, a MY GIG infotainment system that stores music on a hard drive and satellite navigation.

With a choice of a 3,8-litre V6 petrol model or a turbo-diesel 2,8-litre, both mated to six-speed automatic transmissions, the new Voyager will sell for between R320900 and R399000.

In the actual drive there is nothing spectacular in the Voyager's performance, and at Gauteng altitude I suspect it will offer asthmatic acceleration.

But for what it is, and who it is aimed at, the Voyager is pretty much in a league of its own.

Something slightly different is the attractively styled Dodge Journey. It's not quite 4x4 and it's not quite MPV, but with its higher ground clearance, great interior roominess and leg room, it's about to carve itself a new segment in the car market.

Styling is bold and aggressive, with the Dodge cross-hair chrome grille up front and even the bonnet benefiting from creases and kinks.

"The Dodge Journey provides a unique combination of purposeful versatility and bold, youthful styling, as well as safety, quality and reliability at an affordable price.

"The Dodge Journey also blends innovative technology, entertainment features and useful storage, wrapped together with an attitude that can only be Dodge," says Dodge and Chrysler brand manager, Guy Franken.

Our driving experience of the car was one of gearing that felt a little lazy and a somewhat lacklustre power train.

But then this is not a sport performance car. It is a people-mover, a practical, lifestyle vehicle, and with its three-spec levels and a choice of a 2-litre diesel or a 2,7-litre petrol model, the Journey ought to win many fans over to the Dodge brand.

Pricing ranges from R259900 to R349900.

## Successful: The new Chrysler Voyager shows off its roomy good looks

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