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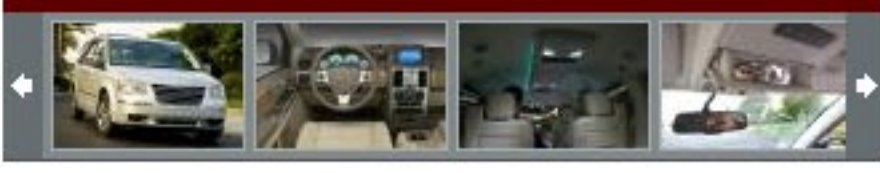
Chrysler Grand Voyager - Big Mama's taxi

GRAND VOYAGER HAS ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME



CLEARLY CHRYSLER: The new Grand Voyager shows its family resemblance to the 300C.

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November 24, 2008
By Peta Lee

Trundling around in Chrysler's very nifty new Grand Voyager Limited was a bit like driving in an apartment on wheels.

It was launched in South Africa back in **August, 2008**

It's equipped with all the comforts of your lounge, practically; it's also almost as large and certainly has the trendiest and most up-to-date décor – er, I mean styling.

It's absolutely huge inside, girls, with so much space I'm sure I could've loaded another half dozen sprogs in there and not noticed the difference.

I could've loaded another half dozen... Space is what the car has always been about- loads and loads of it -but that's not all. Chrysler had also gone all-out to ensure top-of-the-range comfort, elegance and performance in one smart package – for R439 900.

Seriously, when you drive one of these vehicles and realise just how much you're getting for your money, you'll wonder why they don't cost a helluva lot more.

Part of the appeal - apart from the incredibly generous leg and head-room all round, the automatic sliding doors on both sides, and the self-opening boot, the rear park assist and something like 14 cupholders – has to be the amazing seating system.

I was amazed by the one-touch, power-folding third row seat (after a blonde half hour trying to work out how to fold it manually!).

There's also the revolutionary Swivel 'n Go system: second-row seats that swivel 180 degrees to face the third row and a removable table that installs between the two rows, covered storage bins in the floor of the second row, third-row uncovered storage and fold-in-the-floor third-row seating.

...sprogs in there and not noticed the difference Top of the pops for the kids, though, were the two fold-down DVD screens. Unfortunately, they fold down from the centre of the roof console so totally obscured my rearward vision while driving. I can only presume that they're meant to be used when the vehicle is stationary - perhaps stuck in a traffic jam...

Funnily enough, although the Grand Voyager Limited is huge, really and truly huge, I noticed its size only when approaching it from the rear, after a couple of days.

NOBODY INTIMIDATED

When you're travelling in it you don't notice the size at all because it's so lovely to drive, and so easy to steer, parks so beautifully and just feels so good.

In fact, several moms came to chat to me about the car when it caught their eye and all swooned over it: the finishes, the technology, the styling, and the price.

And none of them was at all intimidated by the size of my boat!

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