



At Honda we never stand still. Since our first race we have always looked to compete and do better. To challenge others we must first challenge ourselves. This is the only way to achieve success. But for us, success isn't about self-congratulation. It is the perfect opportunity to learn, to increase understanding and gain the knowledge necessary to further ourselves. Our founder, Soichiro Honda spoke these words after winning our first Formula 1 race and they will forever be the way we approach racing and the making of cars like the Honda S2000:

"We will study why we won and aggressively apply those winning technologies to new cars."



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## exterior design



## designed to perform

The Honda S2000 was built by people who spend most of their time competing in races. So when it came to aesthetics, the wind tunnel had a big influence in striking the right balance between looks and aerodynamics. The distinctive exterior shape employs a rising front to rear bodyline that gives it its classic, wedge shaped appearance. It's a design that performs as well as it looks, reducing lift and optimising the balance between the front and rear ends for superior stability at high speeds.

















Body coloured door mirrors have heated elements behind the glass to maintain rear visibility during cold and wet conditions.

17" alloy wheels improve grip and stability.

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Embossed high quality aluminium kick plates add to the sporty look.

The chrome Honda S2000 badge completes the high quality exterior.

High level, high intensity rear brake light provides additional safety.

Front headlight washers maintain the efficiency of the HID headlights by keeping them clean.



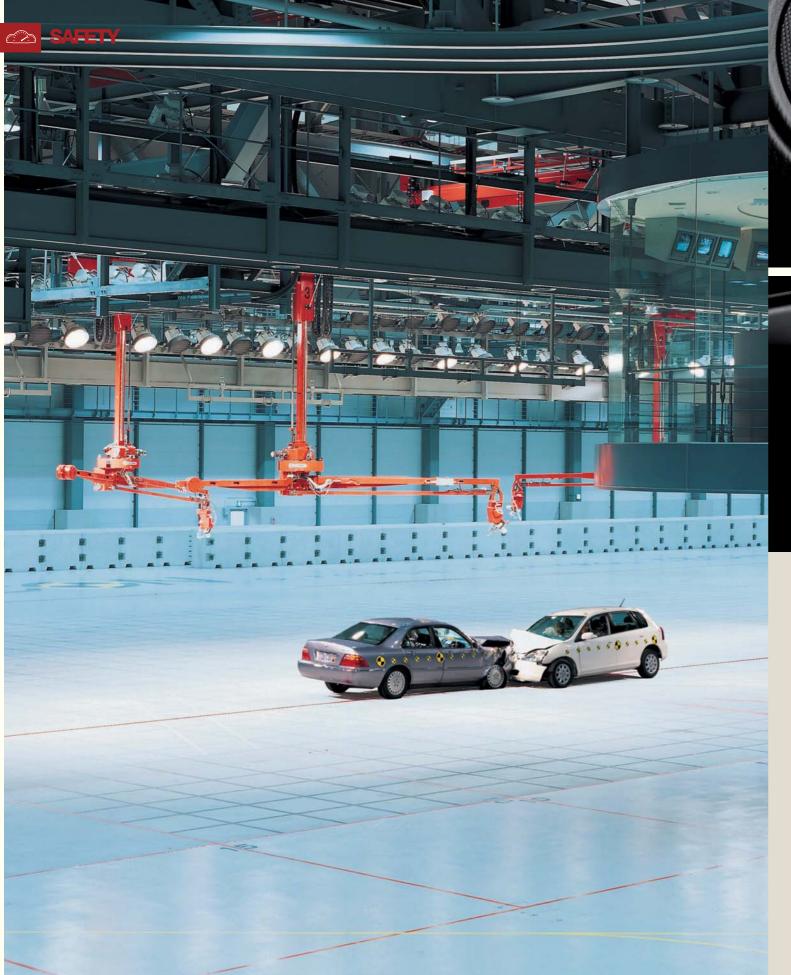


















#### racetrack performance needs racetrack safety

Redefining the way sports cars are built for the road meant redefining the way they are tested. When we couldn't find a crash test centre that met our high standards, we were left with only one option – to build our own. To this day, the Honda test centre at Toichigi is the largest indoor test facility in the world.

This technology enabled us to create unique safety features for the Honda S2000 like a 'High X-Bone frame' to create a light 'open-body' structure with the rigidity and passenger crash protection qualities of a 'closed-body' structure. We also developed a double walled, steel pipe reinforced tubular front pillar, highly rigid roll bars, and twin door beams to provide driver and passengers with an ultra strong survival cell.

The Honda S2000 also features dual SRS airbags, 3-point ELR seatbelts with load limiting pre-tensioners, and interior structures that protect the head in a collision. In addition, collapsible hood hinges and wiper pivots help minimise pedestrian injuries in the event of an accident.

Protecting people also means protecting the environment. So we adopted a multi-port exhaust secondary air injection system to achieve unprecedented performance and surprisingly clean exhaust emissions in a production engine. This technology allows quicker heating of the catalytic converter, reducing harmful emissions – especially during cold starts.





#### 2.0i VTEC Roadster

The following features come as standard on the Roadster:

- Electric soft-top convertible roof with heated rear screen
- 17" alloy wheels
- Leather seats
- Leather and alloy gear knob
- Leather wrapped steering wheel
- Drilled aluminium pedals
- Engine start button
- Headlight washers
- Stereo CD tuner with RDS
- Roll bar speakers



#### 2.0i VTEC GT

The following features come as standard on the GT:

- Body coloured hard-top detachable roof
- Electric soft-top convertible roof with heated rear screen
- 17" alloy wheels
- Leather seats
- Leather and alloy gear knob
- Leather wrapped steering wheel
- Drilled aluminium pedals
- Engine start button
- Headlight washers
- Stereo CD tuner with RDS
- Roll bar speakers





	2.0i VTEC Roadster	2.0i VTEC GT
Engine		
Engine displacement (cc)	1997	1997
Maximum power (PS @ rpm)	240@8300	240@8300
Maximum torque (Nm @ rpm)	208@7500	208@7500
Fuel type	Petrol	Petrol
Recommended fuel rating (RON)	98 recommended	98 recommended
Transmission		
6-speed manual	•	•
Driven wheels	Rear	Rear
Performance		
Maximum speed (mph)	150	150
Acceleration 0-62mph (secs)	6.2	6.2
Fuel Consumption <sup>†</sup>		
Urban (mpg)	20.3	20.3
Urban (I/100km)	13.9	13.9
Extra urban (mpg)	36.2	36.2
Extra urban (I/100km)	7.8	7.8
Combined (mpg)	28.2	28.2
Combined (I/100km)	10.0	10.0
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (g/km)  Weights and Capacities	236	236
Kerb weight (kg)	1271	1271
Turning circle - kerb to kerb (m)	10.8	10.8
Wheels and Tyres	10.0	10.0
Wheels	17" alloy	17" alloy
Tyres (front)	215/45	215/45
Tyres (rear)	245/40	245/40
Spare wheel	Space Saver	Space Saver
Instruments and Controls		
Engine start button	•	•
Digital odometer (trip)	•	•
Automatic headlight height	•	•
Tachometer (rev counter)	•	•
Safety		
Dual front Supplemental Restraint System		
(SRS) airbags		
Vehicle Stability Assist (VSA)	•	•
High level rear brake light	•	•
Anti-lock Braking System (ABS)	•	•
Headlight washers	•	•
Front ventilated disc brakes	•	•
Rear disc brakes	•	•
Roll over protection  Anti-roll bars	Front/Rear	Front/Rear
	Front/Rear	Front/Rear
Side impact protection beams  Seathelt pre-tensioners		•
Seatbelt pre-tensioners	•	•

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Security		
Rolling code ECU engine immobiliser	•	•
Boot release in locking centre console	•	•
Tracker system	0	0
Central locking	•	•
Remote keyless entry	•	•
Interior and perimeter alarm system (CAT 1)	•	•
Exterior		
Electrically adjustable and heated door mirrors	•	•
Body coloured bumpers	•	•
Body coloured door mirrors	•	•
Body coloured hard-top	-	•
Body coloured door handles	•	•
High Intensity Discharge (HID) headlights	•	•
Bee sting aerial	•	•
Comfort and Convenience		
Electric power assisted steering	•	•
Manual air conditioning with pollen filter	•	•
Front cupholders	•	•
Leather and alloy gear knob	•	•
Leather wrapped steering wheel	•	•
Drilled aluminium pedals	•	•
Embossed kick plates	•	•
Soft-top with glass heated rear screen	•	•
Electric roof	•	•
Front electric windows	•	•
Passenger vanity mirror with lid in sunshade	•	•
Seating		
Leather upholstery	•	•
In Car Entertainment (ICE)*		
Stereo CD tuner with RDS	•	•
Front speakers	•	•
Tweeters	•	•
Roll bar speakers	•	•
Remote stereo controls	•	•

2.0i VTEC Roadster

2.0i VTEC GT

Key ● Standard ○ Optional - Not available

† Fuel consumption. This test is designed to give an indication of on-road fuel consumption
\* For a full listing of accessories please contact your local Honda Dealer

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—— 1968mm (inc mirrors)



- 4135mm -



















1.
Constructed of a poly/cotton fabric, this custom made full body cover protects the paintwork and prevents moisture from condensing underneath.

Premium floor carpets, featuring a grained metal emblem with embossed Honda S2000 logo, are available in black, red or

5.
This aluminium gear knob can be added to replace the standard leather wrapped knob.

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7.
The Honda Compact Navigation
System features European
mapping, Bluetooth® wireless
technology for hands free calls
and a travel kit including MP3
player, JPEG viewer and audio
book player.

2.
The adapter connects
your iPod® to your Honda
S2000's sound system.

4.
Choose from either the high wing spoiler (pictured) or the smaller trunk version.

Seatback nets will keep belongings in place.

Play and change up to eight CDs with this premium quality CD changer, specially designed for the Honda S2000.

iPod is a registered trademark of Apple Computer, Inc. registered in the US and other countries

#### we like green things

We love this planet and we're well aware that a global corporation that very seriously. That's why we only ever build cars with the future in mind. There's no denving the damage that's been done since the invention of the internal combustion engine, but thanks to cutting-edge technology we're aiming to cut it out altogether.

Our manufacturing plant in Swindon is reducing the amount of landfill waste it produces. At the going rate, we're on track to cut that figure to zero by 2010. The development of the 3R concept reduce, reuse, recycle - allows us not only to apply our principles throughout the plant, but also provides an educational tool for local schools and councils who visit us on a regular basis.

We've made technological developments that radically reduce emissions too. 1 That's why the Honda Insight became the most fuel efficient sports coupé in existence thanks to its Integrated Motor Assist (IMA) technology. 2 This same technology won Best Fuel Economy in 2003 and Best 1-1.4 litre Engine at the When your Honda eventually comes 2004 International Engine of the Year Awards. It also won the BP Green Fleet award for vehicle innovation and Car Manufacturer of the year 2005.

The latest generation IMA technology is found in the new Civic Hybrid. Our new generation i-series engines,

such as our i-VTEC engine, now produce 83% less HC (hydrocarbons) and NOx builds cars has to take its responsibilities (oxides of nitrogen) emissions compared to ten years ago. And the production of road-going two stroke engines is now a thing of the past. Even when it comes to boats, if you're after an outboard engine, with Honda you'll only ever get the cleaner four-stroke version because of our commitment to the environment.

> At Honda, if we have an idea, we want to make it happen. 3 Take the ground breaking FCX Clarity fuel-cell electric vehicle. The only emission from the vehicle is pure  $H_2O$ . The first car of its kind to obtain approval for commercialisation in the US, it's fuelled by the chemical reaction between hydrogen and oxygen.
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> 4 We've even built a solar-powered hydrogen fuelling station at our research institute in Los Angeles. Developed to reduce global dependency on oil in the future, it's the greenest vehicle on the planet, and it's already driving around the streets of Tokyo and LA.

At Honda we want to fill the world with great ideas. Not pollution.

to the end of its life, Honda is committed to disposing of it in the most environmentally friendly manner. For more information about Honda's approach to end of life vehicles, please go to: www.honda.co.uk/recyclehonda



































### why do we find it so hard to talk about money?

You've studied it. Talked about it. Dreamed about it. Now you have to pay for it. Just doesn't feel like part of the fun, somehow. So we thought there should be a better way to do this. Not a quick-fix, easy-terms, one-size-fits-all deal, either. Finance that sounds too good to be true usually is. We were thinking 'simple', 'flexible' and 'convenient'. And that's what you get, right from making the deposit.

So where do we start?

With the deposit. Your current car or cash are both fine. You don't have either?

No problem: we can work out a zero-deposit package, too.

Done your sums?

The most important part of any finance is the monthly payments. Only you know how much you can really afford. So tell us. That way, we can work out monthly payments to fit in with your budget. Our finance packages are flexible enough to work round just about anything. After that, it's up to you.

We give you choices right through the process. Including at the end of the agreement. You want to keep the car? Simple: make the final payment and it's all yours.

Or, you can give it back. As long as it's in good condition and within the agreed mileage, you can walk away with nothing more to pay.\*

And if you're ready for a new Honda, we'll arrange a part exchange and a new finance package.

Easy, really.

Making our finance more straight-forward meant leaving out a few things.

The long, complex forms.
The dense technical jargon.
The wait to see if you've got the go-ahead.
We didn't think you'd miss them.
We don't. All of which means you get your new Honda quicker.
At Honda we call this Finance Friendly.



Of course, none of this is any substitute for talking it over with your local Honda Dealer.

So now you know what to expect from a visit to us. When can we expect a visit from you?

Terms and Conditions

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At Honda, we have dedicated teams of people making sure your car is everything you want it to be. Do you and your car then head off into the distance, never to see or hear from us ever again? Absolutely not.

That's why we have a specialist team of people who are there for you all the way. So, if we haven't given you enough reasons to buy a new Honda, here are 6 more.

**Budget for servicing** and repairs.

Honda Happiness Budget Plan Servicing Honda Happiness Guarantee

You can budget for all your scheduled servicing and, if required, selected maintenance items (i.e. brake pads and tyres) Honda Happiness Guarantee\* you can for a duration and mileage of your choice and extend this cover for up to an extra 3 years. pay by monthly direct debit.

**2** Extend your warranty to 6 years.

All Honda cars are covered by a 3 year manufacturer's warranty, but with the

**3** Free roadside assistance for 3 years.

Honda Happiness European Assistance

With this you benefit from assistance at home, by the roadside and recovery in the UK and Europe.

4 Complimentary 7 day insurance.

Honda Happiness Complimentary 7-Day Honda Happiness Annual Insurance\*\* Driveaway Insurance\*\*

This cover offers market-leading levels of protection and comes with the added comfort of a 3 year authorised repairer guarantee on Honda Genuine parts, should you need to claim following an accident.

5 Insurance cover at competitive rates.

This insurance scheme has been designed so that Honda owners receive beneficial motor insurance cover at competitive rates. 6 Be covered by several different warranties.

Warranty

- 3 year / 90,000 mile Standard Warranty\*
- 3 year Surface Corrosion Warranty\*
- 5 year Exhaust System Warranty\*
- 10 year Chassis Corrosion Warranty\*
- 12 year Structural Corrosion Warranty\*

For full details on any of these Honda services, and whether you would qualify, please visit your nearest authorised Honda Dealership.



<sup>\*</sup> Terms and conditions apply.

<sup>\*\*</sup> For your protection, telephone calls will be recorded and may be monitored.



#### ANTI-LOCK BRAKING SYSTEM (ABS)

The Anti-lock Braking System prevents the wheels from locking when the brakes are applied in an emergency, reducing the possibility of a skid on wet, icy or loose surfaces, and enabling the driver to retain steering control. To further improve braking in all conditions the front brake discs are ventilated.

#### **FUEL CONSUMPTION**

The figures for the fuel consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are to give you an indication of the cars performance. Following legislation by the VCA (Vehicle Certification Agency), all car manufacturers generate these statistics through the same industry standard test. This allows accurate comparison across all manufacturers and models. The tests use a base grade version of the model and do not take into account optional levels of equipment, such as different sized wheels, tyres and other factors that can affect the economy of the model. The test is on a rolling road and there is no additional weight in the car other than the driver (no passengers or cargo) and it does not account for individual driving style, which can mean a difference to the figures achievable in the real world.

#### HIGH INTENSITY DISCHARGE (HID) HEADLIGHTS

Instead of a bulb, the sealed HID headlights contain xenon gas. An electric spark (arc) passing through the gas produces an even, true white light with a higher intensity than conventional halogen units for improved visibility.

#### **HIGH X-BONE FRAME**

In this frame construction, the raised centre tunnel features a strong boxed type structure that connects to the front and rear side members in a single horizontal plane. Completely straight front side members are connected to the floor tunnel, side sills, and floor frame to form a "three-point support structure". Impact load is thus efficiently distributed, resulting in an open body with rigidity and collision safety equal to that of a closed body without the weight penalty.

#### IN-WHEEL TYPE DOUBLE WISHBONE SUSPENSION

This suspension was specially designed for the Honda S2000 to offer maximum cornering potential and response together with superior stability and linear response. While separately providing strong lateral rigidity, the adoption of this in-wheel type design contributed to keeping the dimensions compact and the centre of gravity low. Bolting the suspension onto sub-frames that are directly attached to the body has further enhanced cornering performance and response.

The use of floating piston type single tube gas filled shock absorbers has contributed to improved roll response, and maximised tyre contact, for high performance and stability. Furthermore, locating the rear suspension's control arm under the lower arm and forward of the axle axis improves toe and camber rigidity for further improved stability and control.

#### ROLL BARS

The Honda S2000 has two highly rigid roll bars that are reinforced steel hoops and are fitted directly to the chassis. These, along with other safety features, help minimise any injury in the event of a collision.

#### TRACTION CONTROL

Traction control is integrated into the VSA and helps the Honda S2000 to accelerate smoothly on slippery surfaces. Any wheel about to break traction upon acceleration will have its brake applied and/or power diverted from it until secure traction is regained.

#### VEHICLE STABILITY ASSIST (VSA)

With an array of sensors, Vehicle Stability Assist (VSA) has been designed to detect incidences of both understeer and oversteer. Based on the severity of the condition, the system can increase engine power and/or apply braking to an individual wheel in order to correct the situation and return to the intended course. This system works seamlessly and unobtrusively to ensure a safe passage. In addition to aiding cornering stability, the system also acts as a traction control device.

#### 2.0i VTEC ENGINE

This engine varies the amount of valve lift and the duration of valve opening during the intake stroke of each engine cylinder. The effect is optimised combustion over changing engine speeds with the result of reduced fuel combustion and emissions as well as increased engine performance.



# platinumwhite berlinablack

The colour of your car can say a lot about you. Recent studies have shown that blue cars are chosen by perfectionists and those more deliberate in their actions. Drivers of silver cars are often quietly confident, cool, calm and collected. A grey car often reflects a calm nature and someone dedicated to their work. Red cars are driven by those who are passionate and full of zest, energy and drive. A yellow car often has an intelligent and imaginative driver while black has often been the choice of the repel

So think hard before you decide - does your colour match your personality?



	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	•	-	•
2.0i VTEC GT	•	-	•
Platinum White Pearl		•	standard – not available
	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	•	-	-
2.0i VTEC GT	•	-	-
New Formula Red			standard – not available
	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	•	•	•
2.0i VTEC GT	•	•	•
Berlina Black			standard – not available
	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	•	•	•
2.0i VTEC GT	•	•	•
Moon Rock Grey Metallic			standard - not available
	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	•	-	-
2.0i VTEC GT	•	-	-
Bermuda Blue Pearl			standard - not available
	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster	•	-	•
2.0i VTEC GT	•	-	•
Synchro Silver Metallic		•	standard – not available
	Black Leather	Brown Leather	Red Leather
2.0i VTEC Roadster			
2.0i VTEC GT			
New Indy Yellow Pearl			standard - not available

Platinum White Pearl	
New Formula Red	
Berlina Black	
Moon Rock Grey Metallic	
Moon Rock Grey Metallic  Bermuda Blue Pearl	
Bermuda Blue Pearl	



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