

Vehicle Feature Tips

Many of the tips presented below are covered in greater detail in the Owner's Manual, Multimedia System Manuals, Features & Functions Guide, and Quick-Start Guide hangtag supplied with your new vehicle.

Voice Recognition¹ and Bluetooth^{®2}

Using Voice Recognition

Improve Bluetooth® Voice Recognition (VR) performance

- by making a few simple changes: Use full names (first and last names) vs. short or single-syllable names ("John Smith" vs. "Dad," "Smith Residence" vs. "Home").
 - · Avoid using special characters, emojis, and hyphenated names (@, &, #, /, -, *, +, etc.).
 - Avoid using acronyms ("Emergency" vs. "ICE" or "In Case of Emergency") or words with all capital letters.
 - Spell words completely; system will not recognize abbreviations ("Doctor Smith" vs. "Dr. Smith").
 - Always wait for the beep before speaking any commands. • When using VR to place a call, speak in a natural, moderate
 - tone, with clear pronunciation. The system may have trouble recognizing commands if you speak too softly or too loudly. • Open windows, sunroof, weather (wind/rain), or an A/C fan
 - operating at higher speeds can interfere with VR accuracy. • Your VR system may have difficulty understanding some
 - accents or uncommon names. • Press the talk button and say "Help" to get a list of available commands.

Pairing or Connecting Your Phone with Bluetooth®

- Select "Device Connections" in the infotainment display or "Call" button on the steering wheel to begin the pairing process if no phone has previously been paired.
- During the pairing process, please make sure you accept all requests for phonebook download and future autoconnection on your phone.
- To pair a second phone or subsequent phones, reference the manuals and guides supplied with your vehicle as steps vary by infotainment system.

- · If you experience any issues with auto-connection, try the following:
 - Reboot your phone (turn the phone off and then on). • Update the phone operating system to the most recently released version.
 - Delete the phone from the list of Bluetooth® devices on the infotainment system display,1 delete Kia device from the list of Bluetooth® devices on your phone, and re-pair. • Ensure the phone has the Bluetooth® feature activated.
- · If some contacts are not downloading to the infotainment system display, check to confirm that the contact has been entered correctly and that it has been stored under the categories (HOME, MOBILE, WORK, iPhone®3) that are supported by the infotainment system display. Some contact categories (MAIN, PAGER, OTHER) may not be supported. If the number of contacts exceeds the maximum number allowed on the infotainment system display, contacts will be partially downloaded. Ensure that only the "phone contact list" is selected for contact download on your phone (not social media or email contact lists as these contacts may not download to the infotainment system display).
- Phone operating systems change frequently, and some phones may have varying compatibility levels with the Bluetooth® system. For any questions regarding the features of your vehicle, please call your preferred Kia dealer or contact Kia Consumer Assistance at 1-800-333-4542.

Other Bluetooth® Tips

- Bluetooth[®] reception is affected by carrier coverage and is dependent on the phone.
- If streaming audio through Bluetooth® from a device, ensure the listening volume on the device is turned up.

Smartphone Connectivity¹



Apple CarPlay®3

Your vehicle offers you command of your compatible iPhone® when you connect through Apple CarPlay® on your infotainment system display. This will enable you to make calls, send hands-free texts, access many of your favorite apps and music, and get navigation help with Siri® voice control. To connect Apple CarPlay, visit https://youtu.be/98TNWMOQfdU

Android Auto^{™4}

Your vehicle allows you to connect to your compatible Android™ phone via Android Auto™ on your infotainment system display. Through this feature, you can access music, your phone's dialer, navigation help, and more with an intuitive interface and voice commands. You can even access your phone through your steering wheel controls. To connect Android Auto, visit https://youtu.be/sTR4KotSOzU

The 2025 K5 is equipped with wireless Apple CarPlay® and wireless Android Auto™. See the Wireless Phone Projection section of this document for setup information.

Kia Access App*⁵

- Your cell phone and vehicle have to be connected to a cellular network with a good wireless signal strength to use Kia Connect⁶ (formerly UVO link) via the Kia Access App. If these conditions are not met, remote commands may e longer
- To use the Remote Start or Remote Start with Climate Control feature, all doors, the hood, and the trunk/liftgate must be closed and locked. The Remote Start or Remote Start with Climate Control feature will operate for about 10 minutes, and then the vehicle shuts off automatically.7
- The quickest way to obtain an accurate vehicle status is by pressing the refresh icon on your app or customer web portal.
- Activate the Remote Start or Remote Start with Climate Control feature a few minutes before you plan to get into the vehicle. This will allow the vehicle interior to reach a desired temperature.

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• To help preserve vehicle battery, Kia Connect will not work seven days after the ignition was last turned on. You will need to restart your vehicle with a key fob to use Kia Connect again.



Smart Trunk Operation



When the Smart Key fob is in your possession and you are within close proximity to the back of the vehicle, the hazard warning lights will blink, and a chime will sound for about three seconds to alert you that the Smart Trunk is about to open.

The alert system will then blink and chime two additional times before opening the Smart Trunk.* To enable the Smart Trunk, go to the Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system. Press SETUP > VEHICLE > DOOR > SMART LIFTGATE.

Note

During the Smart Trunk alert, the Smart Trunk can be deactivated with the Smart Key by pressing any button on the key fob.

Raising the Windshield Wiper Arms



To lift the wipers to clean the windshield, to inspect or replace the wiper blades, or to raise the wipers in snow/ice conditions without damaging the hood, the blades need to be moved to the service position. To move wiper blades to this position:

With the ignition ON, turn the ignition OFF, and within 20 seconds move the wiper switch to the MIST position and hold the switch for more than two seconds until the wiper blade is in the fully upright position.

To return the wipers to the normal position, turn the ignition ON, then activate MIST.

Digital Key 2^{∗8}

Digital Key 2, through your compatible smartphone, can be used to lock and unlock your vehicle and to start your vehicle without needing to have a key fob.

Digital Key 2 Setup for Smartphones with Ultra-Wideband (UWB) Technology

- Download the Kia Access App⁵ and create an account.
 Ensure your Smart Key is inside the vehicle and turn the vehicle on.
- a. Activate Kia Connect⁶ in your vehicle's infotainment system.
- 4. Open the Kia Access App and select DIGITAL KEY A.
- 5. Press CREATE OWNER KEY.
- 6. When your vehicle's infotainment system detects your device, the CONTINUE TO WALLET APP button will illuminate. Select it to open the wallet app.
- 7. Press CONTINUE. The wallet app will pair up, and your digital key will be added.

Quick Tips

When in the wallet app, click on the digital key and select the menu icon to adjust other settings or use other features.
Actual steps may vary between devices.



- Using Your Digital Key 2 (Smartphones with UWB)
- To unlock or lock the doors, carry your smartphone, and touch the inside of the door handle to unlock. Press the sensor on the outside of the door handle to lock.
- Carry the smartphone inside the vehicle, press the brake pedal, and then press the start button to start the vehicle.

For Digital Key 2 setup and operation for smartphones without Ultra-Wideband (UWB) technology, see the Features & Functions Guide and Owner's Manual.

Highway Driving Assist (HDA)*9

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HDA is designed to adjust the speed of the vehicle when driving on limited/controlled access highways. The system can adjust the vehicle's speed based on available highway speed information. The automatic speed setting mode is designed to set the speed automatically by adjusting to the current

speed limits of the highway the vehicle is traveling on. To enable/disable HDA, go to Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system. Go to Driver Assistance > Driver Convenience > Highway Driving Assist.

To activate HDA, turn Smart Cruise Control (SCC) on by pressing the Driving Assist (Cruise) button A on the steering wheel controls.

When HDA is activated and the conditions are met, the Instrument Cluster indicator light **B** will illuminate GREEN. If the conditions are not met, HDA will be in standby mode, and the indicator light **B** will illuminate WHITE.

When in operation, and if both lanes are recognized, a display C will show the lanes illuminated WHITE and the steering wheel indicator illuminated GREEN.

If HDA is activated, conditions are met, and the SCC speed is set by the driver (at the posted highway speed limit), HDA will enter the automatic speed setting mode. The set speed and AUTO will be displayed in GREEN, and an audible alert will sound.

Reminders

- Current highway speed and controlled or limited access road information may vary. Future navigation updates may change this information. See Owner's Manual for more information.
 - When the ignition is cycled, HDA returns to its previous state, on or off.
- If the driver changes the speed while in automatic speed setting mode, it deactivates and enters a manual mode.

Surround View Monitor (SVM)*10



SVM is a parking support system that shows the areas around the front, rear, left, and right sides of the vehicle via four cameras displayed onto the infotainment system.

- Move the gearshift to R (Reverse) or press the Parking/View button A to turn on SVM. Press the button again to turn OFF the function.
- Other view modes can be selected by touching the view icons **B** on the SVM screen.
- Surround View Monitor Auto On: With Driver Assistance > Parking Safety > Surround View Monitor Auto On selected from the Settings menu, the front parking assist view screen is displayed when the Parking Distance Warning alerts the driver while driving in D (Drive).
- To change the SVM settings, press the on-screen settings icon C while SVM is operating.

Matte Paint* Care

To enjoy your vehicle's matte appearance for many years to come, please follow these owner care and maintenance tips. **Dos and Don'ts**

- Remove foreign substances such as insect remains, tar, and road debris using a soft applicator and a mild solvent; saturate and soak the area before cleaning – rub lightly.
- Hand-wash with a soft wash mitt and mild cleaning product safe for matte paint.
- Use microfiber cleaning cloths with an alcohol-based window cleaner for basic surface cleanup.
- Do not use wax, detail spray, or any products made for normal paint. Use only products specifically developed for matte finish paint.
- Do not use products that are even mildly abrasive, such as polishes, glazes, or rubbing compounds.
- Do not use terry cloth, cloth, or paper towels. Do not rub the finish vigorously; this will burnish the paint finish, causing a permanent shiny spot. Shiny spots cannot be removed.
- Do not use commercial car wash facilities or their shine enhancement products. Most car wash brushes, large mechanized "towels," and shine enhancement products can damage matte paint.
- Do not use mechanical cleaners or polishers.

Navigation-Based Smart Cruise Control (NSCC)¹¹ (if equipped)

Navigation-Based Smart Cruise Control is designed to automatically adjust vehicle speed when driving on highways with posted speed limits by using road information from the navigation system while Smart Cruise Control (SCC) is operating. SCC is designed to maintain a predetermined distance from vehicles detected ahead by automatically adjusting the driving speed. When traffic is detected, the vehicle is designed to slow down to maintain a set distance behind traffic without depressing the accelerator or brake pedal.

Highway Curve Zone Auto Slowdown



NSCC can automatically adjust the vehicle speed when it detects a curved road ahead and when it receives road information from the navigation system. When NSCC detects a curve ahead, NSCC is designed to activate and reduce the vehicle speed, and the NAV icon changes to AUTO and turns GREEN **A** in the NSCC indicator. When the vehicle passes the curved road, the vehicle may return to its previously set speed.

Turn On/Set/Adjust SCC Speed: Press the Driving Assist button A on the steering wheel to activate SCC, and the speed will be set to the current vehicle speed. SCC may decrease the speed to maintain the distance to the vehicle in front. The CRUISE indicator will illuminate on the instrument panel. Use **B** +/- to toggle up or down to accelerate or decelerate to the desired speed.

Set the Vehicle Distance: Press the Vehicle Distance button **G** on the steering wheel. Each time you press the button, the vehicle distance will change **D**, indicated by the number of bars that appear on the display. Pause/Resume SCC Operation: Depress the brake pedal or press the Pause/Resume button **B**. The CRUISE indicator on the instrument panel will change.

SCC Sensitivity Adjustment: Press the Mode button 🖬 on the steering wheel. With the OK button 🖬 select Drive Assistance, then SCC Response. Then select Fast, Normal, or Slow. Turn Off SCC: Press the Driving Assist button 🖪. The CRUISE indicator on the instrument panel will turn OFF.

Quick Tips

- The navigation part of Smart Cruise Control does not function when a destination is not set on the infotainment navigation system.
 If your vehicle speed is between 0 and 20 mph when you press the Driving Assist button to turn NSCC on, the speed will be set to 20 mph.
- When following a vehicle, the system can automatically adjust your cruise speed based on the vehicle detected in front. It can also bring the vehicle to a complete stop in certain conditions. If the vehicle remains at a standstill for more than three seconds, you must depress the accelerator pedal or toggle the +/- switch up/down to restart vehicle movement.
- NSCC is designed to function above approximately 20 mph only.
- NSCC will not activate until the brake pedal has been depressed at least once after the ignition is turned ON or during engine start. Reminders
 - CRUISE indicator must be ON to operate SCC.
 - The speed setting will need to be reset when ignition is cycled.
 - The distance settings are approximations and may vary depending on vehicle speed. See the Owner's Manual for
 - more information.

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 - SCC is also canceled when the driver's door is opened, the gearshift is changed out of D (Drive), the Electronic Parking Brake (EPB) is activated, and various other conditions. See the Owner's Manual for other conditions.
 If SCC is left on, it can be activated inadvertently. Keep the system off when not in use to avoid setting a speed which the driver is
 - not aware of.NSCC is only available on certain controlled access roads and highways.
 - The navigation part of NSCC does not function when a destination is not set on the infotainment navigation system.

Wireless Phone Projection

You can connect your compatible iPhone® to the vehicle through wireless Apple CarPlay®,³ and you can connect your compatible Android™⁴ phone to the vehicle through wireless Android Auto™.⁴

Wireless Apple CarPlay®

Wireless Apple CarPlay® requires iPhone® cellular data service. Normal data rates apply.

Setup:

1. On the center display, touch SETUP > DEVICE CONNECTIONS > PHONE PROJECTION.

Wireless Android Auto™

Wireless Android Auto[™] only works with certain Android[™] models and requires cellular data service. Normal data rates apply. Setup:

1. Download the Android Auto[™] app from the Google Play^{™4} store. Open the Android Auto[™] app and proceed with the on-screen instructions to complete setup on the mobile device.

2.On the center screen, touch SETUP > DEVICE CONNECTIONS > PHONE PROJECTION.

Quick Tips for Wireless Apple CarPlay[®] and Android Auto™

- Kia recommends you update your smartphone to the latest operating system release.
- Visit https://youtu.be/oUXXuAZAOEI for an informative video on wireless phone projection.
 Visit Apple.com for Apple CarPlay[®] app concerns.
- Visit the smartphone manufacturer's website for Android Auto[™] app concerns.

Wireless Smartphone Charging System*12



- 1. To enable Wireless Charging in Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system, select CONVENIENCE > WIRELESS CHARGING SYSTEM FOR MOBILE DEVICES.
- 2. Place compatible smartphone on the center of the charging pad **A**.
- Indicator light B may change to AMBER once the wireless charging begins.
- Once charging is complete, the AMBER light may change to GREEN.

Dual-Clutch Transmission (DCT)*

DCT gives the driving feel of a manual transmission, yet provides the ease of a fully automatic transmission. To hold the vehicle stationary on an incline, the service brake or parking brake MUST be used or the gearshift MUST be in the (P) Park position. A slight lag may be experienced at takeoff from standstill during aggressive acceleration maneuvers. If the clutch is overheating, an AMBER-colored warning light \bigcirc will be displayed in the Instrument Cluster. Should this condition occur, pull over and place the vehicle in Park and idle the engine.

Reverse Parking Collision-Avoidance Assist (PCA-R)*13

PCA-R is designed to detect certain objects/pedestrians behind the vehicle and issues an audible warning and/or applies emergency braking to help reduce the possibility of a collision when the vehicle is in Reverse.

PCA Settings

- PCA-R can be turned ON/OFF by going to Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system
- Only adjust settings when the vehicle is at a standstill, gearshift is in Park, and the ignition is ON or the Engine Start/Stop button is in the ON position.
- To access Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system, press SETUP > VEHICLE > DRIVER ASSISTANCE > PARKING SAFETY > BACKWARD SAFETY.

Quick Tip

- The Warning Volume can be adjusted in the Vehicle Settings by pressing SETUP > VEHICLE > DRIVER ASSISTANCE > WARNING METHOD. You can enable DRIVING SAFETY PRIORITY.
 Reminders
- PCA-R is operational when Rear Active Assist is selected in the Vehicle Settings.
- PCA-R will only operate when:
 - The vehicle's speed is below 6 mph.
 - The trunk is closed.
 - The gearshift is in Reverse.

Blind-Spot Collision-Avoidance Assist (BCA)¹⁴



B and A BCA uses radar sensors in the corners of the rear bumper to monitor and warn the driver in certain situations if it detects an approaching vehicle in the driver's blind spot area and before changing lanes. Initially, BCA provides a Collision Warning when it detects a potential collision with a vehicle, emitting an audible warning and visual alert on the outside rearview mirrors. If BCA detects that the collision risk has increased, BCA is designed to automatically apply the opposite-side front brake to try and mitigate a potential collision.

Vehicle Detection: When another vehicle is detected within the Collision Warning boundary A, an indicator will illuminate on the outside rearview mirrors B.

Collision Warning: When vehicle detection warning is ON and the driver activates a turn signal, a flashing indicator will illuminate on the outside rearview mirrors, and BCA will sound a warning.

Collision-Avoidance Assist: When Collision Warning has already occurred and the BCA detects that the collision risk has increased, braking is applied to the opposite-side front wheel, and a visual warning occurs.

BCA Settings

- BCA can be turned on/off by going to the Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system.
- Only adjust settings when the vehicle is at a standstill, gearshift is in Park, and the ignition is ON or the Engine Start/Stop button is in the ON position.
- To access Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system, press SETUP > VEHICLE > DRIVER ASSISTANCE > BLIND-SPOT SAFETY.

Switchable Infotainment/Climate Controller

Your vehicle features a center control panel, which combines controls for the infotainment system and the climate control system.



Switching Between Infotainment and Climate Control

- Touch the control mode selection button $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{A} \end{vmatrix}$ to switch between infotainment system control and climate control.
- The selected control panel icon will illuminate, and the control panel will change to show the selected controls.

Quick Tip

You can set the control panel to automatically return to a preferred mode.

- Touch and hold the control mode selection button $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{vmatrix}$ for about four seconds.
- On the menu that appears, select Off, Infotainment, or Climate.
 - Off: The control panel will remain on whatever mode you select each time you touch the control mode selection button.
 - Infotainment: About six seconds after you discontinue using the climate controls, the screen will return to Infotainment control mode.
 - \circ Climate: About six seconds after you discontinue using the infotainment controls, the screen will return to Climate Control mode.

Over-the-Air (OTA) Software Update¹⁵

The Over-the-Air Software Update feature allows you to wirelessly update software. Using this feature, you can keep your vehicle system up to date with Kia's latest software update.

Downloading Software

The latest software can be downloaded automatically while driving. After the latest software has been successfully downloaded, you will receive a notification on your phone or the vehicle screen that the software update is ready to install.

Update Procedure

- 1. After the vehicle is turned off, the vehicle system will allow you to start the update.
- On the Software Update screen, select Update Now or Later.
- 2. To start the update, press **Update Now**.
- A new screen will appear with update options.3. Verify update options selections.
- Verify update options :
 Press Update Now.
- 5. The vehicle will begin installing the update.
- You can see the progress of the update on the screen.
- 6. After the update starts, you can exit the vehicle.
- 7. After the update is complete, you will receive a notification on your phone or the vehicle screen that the software update is complete.

Quick Tips

- The OTA feature is only available for Kia Connect⁶ service users.
 - The screen turns off automatically after three minutes to save battery life. If the screen turns off automatically, you can check
 the update progress by pressing the ENGINE START/STOP button.

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Movement that inspires

2025 KS GT shown with optional features. Not all optional features are available on all trims. Some features may vary. Images or graphics for illustration only. 'If equipped. 'Driving while distracted can result in a loss of vehicle control that may lead to an accident, severe personal injury, and death. The driver's primary responsibility is in the safe and legal operation of a vehicle, and use of any handheid devices, other equipment, or vehicle systems which take the driver's eyes, attention, and focus away from the safe operation of a vehicle or which are not permissible by law should never be used during operation of the vehicle. The Bluetooth' word mark and logos are registered trademarks of womed by Bluetooth "series of a such marks by Ka is under license. A Bluetooth' enabled ell phone is required to use Bluetooth' writes technology. 'Apple CarrPiay, Phone, and Sti na registreet in trademarks of Apple Inc., registered in the US. and other countries. CarPity runs on your smartphone cellular data service. Normal data rates will apply, 'Android Auto vehicle user interface is a product of Google, and its terms and privacy statements apply. Requires the Android Auto app on Google Play" store and an Android compatible smartphone running Android S. Dichogo and Button. Normal cellular service rates may apply. Do not use remote climate control or remote start if vehicle in Kia Connect. The vehicle area before executing a remote climate control or remote start if wehicle is an enclosed area (e.g., closed garage) or a partially enclosed area without ventilation. Close all doors leading from adjacent living areas to compatine themsent devices, and selece APC every complementary 3-year Xia Connect subscription starting control to two product of Google Play " store are condically the delate. After your complicementary 3-year Xia Connect subscription starting from mere vehicle area control on type Play and train, responsed to the vehicle area before executing a remote climate control or suppreted on 2019 Optima LX, 20