



Vehicle Feature Tips

Many of the tips presented below are covered in greater detail in the Owner's Manual, Multimedia System Manuals, Features and 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 system display¹ 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 auto-connection 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, 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 contact your preferred Kia dealer or call 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>

For select models equipped with wireless Apple CarPlay and Android Auto, visit <https://youtu.be/oUXXuAZAOEI>

Kia Access App^{*5}



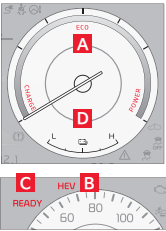
- Your cell phone and your vehicle have to be connected to a cellular network with a good wireless signal strength in order to use Kia Connect[®] via the Kia Access App. If these conditions are not met, remote commands may not execute or may take longer to execute.
- To use Remote Start or Remote Start with Climate Control feature, all doors, the hood, and the trunk/liftgate must be closed and locked. Remote Start or Remote Start with Climate Control feature will operate for 10 minutes, and then the vehicle shuts off automatically.⁷
- Activate Remote Start or Remote Start with Climate Control feature a few minutes before you plan to get into the vehicle. This will allow vehicle interior to reach a desired temperature.
- The quickest way to obtain an accurate vehicle status is by pressing the refresh icon on your app or on the Kia Owner's Portal.
- In order to help preserve vehicle battery, Kia Connect will not work seven days after the ignition was last turned on. You will need to re-start your vehicle with a key fob in order to use Kia Connect again.

Feature Videos

To view a video on your mobile device, snap this code or visit the listed website:
<https://www.youtube.com/KiaFeatureVideos>

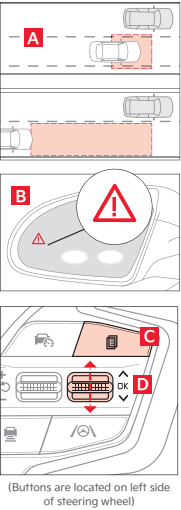


Hybrid Indicators at Startup



- A Hybrid System Gauge** – Indicates how economically the vehicle is being driven.
- **CHARGE (Blue zone):** High-efficiency range.
 - **ECO (Green zone):** Normal-efficiency range.
 - **POWER (Gray zone):** Low-efficiency range.
- B Mode** – Illuminates when the electric motor is powering the vehicle.
- C Ready** – Illuminates when the hybrid system is operational. Even if the engine is OFF, the vehicle can be driven.
- D State of Charge (SOC)** – Displays the hybrid battery charge status.

Blind-Spot Collision Warning (BCW)⁸



BCW is designed to use rear corner radar sensors in the rear bumper to warn the driver in certain situations if it detects an approaching vehicle in the driver's blind spot area **A**, before changing lanes, and before exiting a parallel parking space. BCW can provide a warning when it detects a potential collision with a vehicle, emitting an audible warning and visual alert **B** on the outside rearview mirrors. BCW can apply the brakes to help avoid a collision if it detects an increased collision risk when exiting a parallel parking space.

Vehicle Detection: When another vehicle is detected within the BCW system 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 AMBER indicator will illuminate on the outside rearview mirrors, and the system will sound an alert.

Collision-Avoidance Assist: BCW can help avoid a collision by applying the brakes. Your vehicle needs to be traveling less than 2 mph, and the approaching vehicle is traveling less than 3 mph.

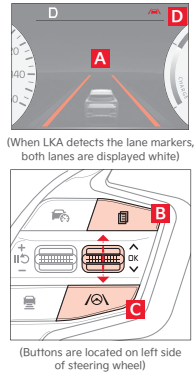
BCA User Settings:

- BCW can be turned ON/OFF by going to the User Settings in the Instrument Cluster or 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 User Settings in the Instrument Cluster:** Press the Mode button **C** on the steering wheel to toggle to User Settings. Press the OK button **D** up/down to toggle to Driver Assistance > Driving Safety > Blind-Spot Safety.
- **To access Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system:** Press the SETUP key or the on-screen SETUP button. Press VEHICLE to enter Vehicle Settings. Select Driver Assistance > Driving Safety > Blind-Spot Safety.

Reminders:

- The BCW system will only show a warning if the vehicle speed is above approximately 12 mph and the speed of the vehicle in the blind spot is above 7 mph.
- If the BCW is turned OFF and the ignition is cycled, the BCW system returns to ON.

Lane Keeping Assist (LKA)⁸ and Lane Following Assist (LFA)⁸



LKA is designed to detect the lane markers on the road and help alert the driver or assist in steering to potentially help keep the vehicle in the lane. LFA is designed, in certain circumstances, to help the vehicle stay centered in its lane **A** by monitoring the detected lane markings ahead and adjusting the steering.

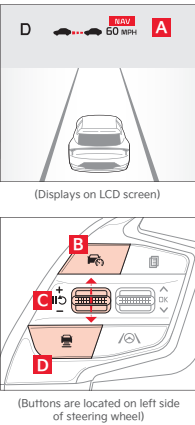
To enable LKA and/or LFA: Go to User Settings in the Instrument Cluster display, OR press and hold the Mode button **B** on the left side of the steering wheel, OR press the SETUP key/button on the infotainment system. Select the VEHICLE button to enter the Vehicle Settings > Driver Assistance > Lane Safety.

Once enabled, press and hold the Lane Driving Assist button **C**, to turn LKA ON or OFF. When ON, the Lane Safety icon on the Instrument Cluster will illuminate WHITE while the system does not detect the lane markers. When the system detects the lane markers and can assist the steering, the icon will turn GREEN **D**.

LKA will operate only when the vehicle speed exceeds approximately 40 mph, LKA recognizes the lane the vehicle is traveling in, and the vehicle is between the lane markers.

LFA will operate only when LFA recognizes both sides of the lane markers the vehicle is traveling in and the vehicle is traveling slower than 90 mph.

Navigation-Based Smart Cruise Control (NSCC)^{*9}



NSCC is designed to automatically adjust vehicle speed in accordance with posted speed limits on certain highways 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 as needed. When traffic is detected, the vehicle will 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 activates and reduces the vehicle speed, and the NAV icon changes to AUTO and turns GREEN **A**. When the vehicle passes the curved road, the vehicle may return to its previously set speed.

Highway Auto Speed Change: During NSCC operation, the set speed automatically adjusts to match the current posted speed limit on the highway, updating based on changes to the limit and information received from the navigation system.

SCC Operation: With SCC turned on and activated and the vehicle distance set, the system can bring the vehicle to a complete stop when a vehicle slowing or stopping is detected ahead. When the vehicle ahead starts to move forward, SCC re-engages. If the vehicle ahead stops for more than 3 seconds, the accelerator pedal or button **C** must be pressed to start moving the vehicle. SCC is designed to adjust acceleration based on the drive mode selected in the Drive Mode Integrated Control system.

To set the vehicle distance: Press the VEHICLE DISTANCE button **D** on the steering wheel. Each time you press the button, the vehicle distance will change, indicated by the number of bars that appear on the display **A**.

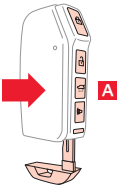
To pause/resume NSCC operation: Depress the brake pedal or press the PAUSE/RESUME button **C**. The cruise indicator on the Instrument Cluster will change.

To turn NSCC OFF: Press the DRIVING ASSIST button **B**. The CRUISE indicator on the Instrument Cluster will turn OFF.

Reminders:

- NSCC is only available on limited-/controlled-access roads and highways.
- The navigation part of NSCC does not function when a destination is not set on the infotainment navigation system.

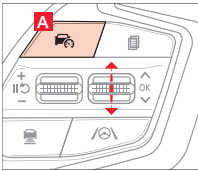
Rear Liftgate Operation¹⁰



For vehicles with a flip-out key/remote: The Remote Liftgate button **A** (held for one second) only unlocks the liftgate and does not physically unlatch or pop open the liftgate.

For vehicles with a Smart Key ONLY: Depress the liftgate handle switch on the liftgate to unlock and open the liftgate (the vehicle detects the Smart Key, unlocks the liftgate lock, and allows the liftgate to open upon switch activation). The liftgate will auto relock once it is closed. To use this feature, it must be enabled in User Settings.

Highway Driving Assist (HDA)*¹¹



(Buttons are located on left side of steering wheel)



HDA is designed to adjust the speed of the vehicle when driving on limited-/controlled-access highways/freeways. 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.

HDA User Settings:

To enable HDA, access settings through the Vehicle Settings in the infotainment system. Press the SETUP key, then press VEHICLE on the screen to enter Vehicle Settings. Select Driver Assistance > Driving Convenience > Highway Driving Assist.

To activate HDA, turn Smart Cruise Control (SCC) on by pressing the Driving Assist button **A** on the steering wheel. When HDA is activated and the conditions are met, the HDA indicator light **B** will illuminate GREEN. If proper 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, the Instrument Cluster will show the lanes illuminated WHITE and the HDA indicator illuminated GREEN **B**.

HDA will operate only when these conditions are met:

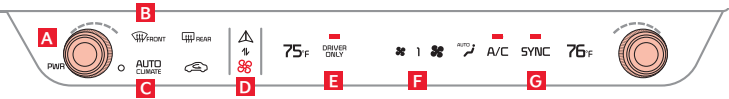
- The vehicle is traveling slower than 110 mph or the highway speed limit.
- When driving on limited-/controlled-access highways/freeways.
- When the SCC is on and operating.
- When the SCC speed is set to current posted highway speed or slower.

Automatic Climate Control

Press the button **D** on the switchable controller to switch between the infotainment system or climate control panel.

Climate Control Auto Function:

1. Press AUTO **C** to select Full Auto Operation. The AUTO setting automatically controls the airflow modes, fan speeds, air intake, and air conditioning according to the temperature setting selected.
2. Turn temperature control knob **A** to the desired temperature.
3. Press SYNC **G** to synchronize driver and passenger temperatures.



Defrost Outside of Windshield:

1. Turn temperature control knob **A** to hot.
2. Press the FRONT Defrost button **B**.

Defog Inside of Windshield:

1. Set fan speed **F** to highest position.
2. Turn temperature knob **A** to hot.
3. Press the FRONT Defrost button **B**.

Auto Defogging System (ADS):

Auto Defogging is designed to reduce fogging on the inside of the windshield by automatically sensing moisture on the inside of the windshield. The system will automatically change to defrost mode when needed.

Auto Defogging is set to ON by default. To cancel Auto Defogging, press and hold the FRONT Defrost button **B** for 3 seconds when the ignition is on (the Defrost button light will flash 3 times, and the ADS OFF icon will illuminate). To turn Auto Defogging on again, press and hold the FRONT Defrost button **B** for 3 seconds (the Defrost button light will flash 6 times, and the ADS OFF icon will turn off).

Driver-Only Ventilation:

Driver-Only Ventilation restricts airflow to the driver’s side vents only. This can help optimize driving range by limiting the power drawn from the battery. Press the DRIVER ONLY button **E** to enable airflow through the driver’s side vents only.

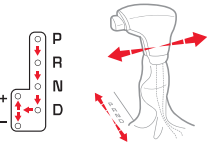
Airflow Modes:

To select Airflow Modes, press the Mode selection buttons:



Reminder: Press and hold the switchable controller **D** to select the default mode for the control panel.

Dual-Clutch Automatic Transmission (DCT)



Your Niro is equipped with a Dual-Clutch Automatic Transmission (DCT). The DCT is an electronically controlled and shifted manual transmission designed for improved fuel economy.

The following are unique DCT driving tips:

- 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. If the vehicle is held stationary by applying the accelerator pedal on a slope, the clutch/transmission may overheat, resulting in damage.
- Avoid aggressive launches on steep grades as this may result in an overheated clutch and transmission.
- A slight time lag may be experienced at takeoff from standstill during aggressive acceleration maneuvers.
- If the clutch is overheating, the first warning, an AMBER-colored warning light, will be displayed in the Instrument Cluster. **If the indicator turns RED, reduce speed, pull over, and place the vehicle in Park until it cools.**

Rear Cross-Traffic Collision-Avoidance Assist (RCCA)¹²

Rear Cross-Traffic Collision-Avoidance Assist is designed to detect vehicles approaching from the rear left or right while the vehicle is backing up. RCCA may warn the driver of a possible collision with a warning message and a warning sound. Also, RCCA may assist with braking to help avoid a collision.

When the rear-corner radar sensors detect approaching vehicles from the rear left or rear right side of the vehicle, RCCA will sound a warning, the warning indicators on the outside rearview mirror will illuminate, and a message will appear on the Instrument Cluster and the Infotainment System. If RCCA detects that the collision risk has increased, RCCA automatically applies the brakes to reduce your speed, potentially helping to minimize the effects of a possible collision.

RCCA is designed to operate under the following conditions:

- When the gearshift is in Reverse.
- When the vehicle is moving slower than 5 mph.

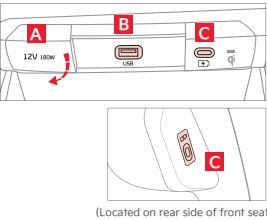
Rear Occupant Alert (ROA) with Door Monitoring¹³

The Rear Occupant Alert (ROA) can help alert the driver when a rear passenger may be left in the vehicle. The alert will be a message on the Instrument Cluster stating to “Check rear seats,” and a chime will sound.

The ROA feature is ON by default. To turn the system ON or OFF, go to User Settings in the Instrument Cluster or Vehicle Settings on the Infotainment System, select Convenience, then Rear Occupant Alert, and check/uncheck the box.

Reminder: Always be sure to check the passenger areas before leaving the vehicle.

Power Outlets, Multimedia USB Port, and USB-C Charger Ports



Power Outlets **A:** Use the power outlets for mobile phones and other devices designed to operate on a 12V (180W max) power outlet.

Multimedia USB Port **B:** Use the Multimedia USB port to connect USB audio devices and to connect smartphones to enable phone projection features such as Apple CarPlay and Android Auto.

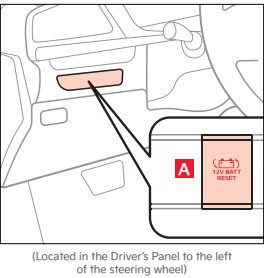
Quick Tip: The power outlets are inactive when ignition is in the OFF position.

USB Charger Ports **C:** Devices can be recharged using a USB-C cable. The ENGINE START/STOP button needs to be in the ACC/ON/START position to operate the USB-C Charger Ports. They are located in the Center Panel and the rear sides of the seats.

Reminders:

- Using the power outlets (accessory plugs) for prolonged periods of time with the ENGINE START/STOP button in the ACC position (Engine OFF) may cause the battery to discharge.
- The Multimedia USB Port **B** is located between the Power Outlet and USB Charger Port, which does not support data transfer.

Emergency Starting

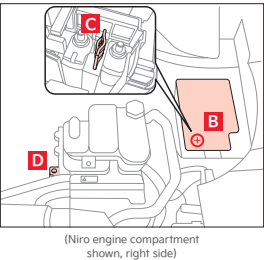


Before Jump-Starting:

1. If the vehicle appears to have a dead battery, first press the 12V Battery Reset button **A**. Then immediately start the vehicle by pressing the brake and turning the ignition ON or pressing the ENGINE START/STOP button.
2. If the vehicle does not start after completing the above steps, then jump-start the vehicle (as described below).

Reminders:

- After starting, idle or drive the vehicle for more than 30 minutes to help charge the 12V battery.
- If the vehicle does not start immediately after pressing the 12V Battery Reset button **A**, then the power of the 12V battery is automatically disconnected to save any additional discharge.
- Repeated use of the 12V Battery Reset button may cause overdischarge, which will prevent the vehicle from starting.



Jump-Starting:

1. Remove the fuse box cover **B** under the front hood.
2. The {+} jump start terminal **C** is located in the fuse box; the suitable ground point **D** is located in the engine compartment. (See Owner's Manual for detailed description.)
3. Connect cables coming from the battery booster source in the following order and disconnect in reverse order:
 - Connect the {+} clamp of your jumper cable to the {+} jump start terminal **C**.
 - Connect the {-} clamp of your jumper cable to the suitable ground point **D**.
4. Press the 12V Battery Reset button **A**, then immediately start the vehicle by pressing the brake and turning the ignition ON or pressing the ENGINE START/STOP button.

Reminder: Jump-starting your vehicle can be dangerous if done incorrectly. Follow the above jump-starting procedures to avoid harm to yourself or damage to your vehicle and any of its components. You should also consult your Owner's Manual for further detailed instructions for jump-starting your vehicle. If in doubt, we strongly recommend that you have a competent technician or towing service jump-start your vehicle.

10-YEAR
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MILE WARRANTY

Kia's industry-leading
limited warranty.**

Our powertrain limited warranty stands as a
testament to the craftsmanship and pride you'll find
in every one of our vehicles.



2026 Niro Hybrid SX Touring shown with optional features. Not all optional features are available on all trims. Some features may vary. Images or graphics for illustration only. ¹If equipped. ²Driving 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. Remain attentive to driving and be cautious when using steering wheel-mounted controls while driving. Use of any handheld 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. ³The Bluetooth® word mark and logos are registered trademarks owned by Bluetooth SIG, Inc., and any use of such marks by Kia is under license. 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Remote feature support varies by model, model year, and trim. ⁷Purchase/lease of certain 2026 Kia vehicles with Kia Connect includes a complimentary 3-year subscription starting from new vehicle retail sale/lease date as recorded by the dealer. After your complimentary 3-year Kia Connect subscription expires, continued access to the full suite of Kia Connect services available on your Kia will require a paid subscription at the then-current subscription rate, or your use of certain Kia Connect features may immediately terminate. Use of Kia Connect is subject to agreement to the Kia Connect Privacy Policy (available at <https://owners.kia.com/us/en/privacy-policy.html>) and Terms of Service (available at <https://owners.kia.com/us/en/terms-of-service.html>). Complimentary Kia Connect subscription is transferable to subsequent owner during the original Kia Connect service term. Only use Kia Connect when safe to do so. 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Close all doors leading from adjacent living areas to the vehicle area before executing a remote climate control or remote start command. ⁹Advanced Driver Assistance Systems are not substitutes for safe driving and may not detect all objects around the vehicle. Always drive safely and use caution. ¹⁰When engaged, Navigation-Based Smart Cruise Control (NSCC) is not a substitute for safe driving and cruise-control procedures. This is not an autopilot feature. It may not detect every object around the vehicle. Always drive safely and use caution. Distracted driving can result in a loss of vehicle control. When operating a vehicle, never use a vehicle system that takes your focus away from safe vehicle operation. Navigation is for information purposes only, and Kia does not make any warranties about the accuracy of the information. ¹¹Driving with liftgate open may be unlawful and can draw dangerous exhaust fumes into vehicle; if you choose to do so, keep air vents and windows open for ventilation. ¹²Highway Driving Assist is not a substitute for safe driving, may not detect all objects surrounding the vehicle, and only functions on certain federal highways. Always drive safely and use caution. ¹³When engaged, Rear Cross-Traffic Collision-Avoidance Assist is not a substitute for safe driving and may not detect all objects behind vehicle. Always drive safely and use caution. ¹⁴Rear Occupant Alert is not a substitute for one's attention. Always check the vehicle interior when exiting the vehicle. ¹⁵Kia's New Vehicle Limited Warranty includes a 10-year/100,000-mile powertrain limited warranty and a 5-year/60,000-mile basic limited warranty. All warranties and roadside assistance are limited. See your Warranty and Consumer Information Manual or your Kia retailer for warranty details.

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