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FOUR MAZDA MODELS EARN CAR AND DRIVER EDITORS' CHOICE FOR 2026

Mazda3, CX-30, CX-50, and MX-5 Miata recognized as top vehicles in their segments

IRVINE, Calif., Feb. 3, 2026 /PRNewswire/ -- Four Mazda models have been named to the Car and Driver Editors' Choice list for 2026. The 2026 Mazda3 is recognized in the compact car segment, the CX-30 in the subcompact SUV segment, the CX-50 in the compact SUV segment, and the MX-5 Miata in the affordable sports car segment.

These awards highlight Mazda's continued focus on delivering vehicles that balance driving enjoyment, thoughtful design, and practicality for customers. Each model provides a combination of capability, efficiency, and features that meet the needs of its segment.

"The Editors' Choice awards are designed to help overwhelmed car shoppers by giving them a list of the best cars on the market," said Tony Quiroga, editor-in-chief of Car and Driver. "Every vehicle that earns an Editors' Choice award should be a candidate for consideration."

The Editors' Choice winners are determined through rigorous instrumented testing, subjective evaluations of performance, how well each vehicle fulfills its intended mission, value proposition, driving enjoyment, and segment ranking versus competitors.

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