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Chrysler Pacifica and Ram 1500 Named to Car and Driver's 10Best Trucks and SUVs List

- The 2019 Chrysler Pacifica wins the Van category for the third consecutive year
- The all-new 2019 Ram 1500 wins the Full-Size Pickup category
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January 16, 2019, Auburn Hills, Mich. - Experts at *Car and Driver* have named the 2019 Chrysler Pacifica and the allnew 2019 Ram 1500 to their "10Best Trucks and SUVs" list as the winners in the Van category and the Full-Size Pickup truck category, respectively.

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This is the third year in a row Pacifica has been named one of Car and Driver's 10Best.

According to *Car and Driver*, "The Pacifica is the best minivan on sale today. Not only does it provide the most-comfortable way to haul the tribe across town and country, it corners with surprising confidence (for a one-box, that is) thanks to its refined chassis. And when equipped with class-exclusive Chrysler's Stow 'n Go seating (base and hybrid models lack this feature), it quickly converts from soccer-team shuttle to bathroom-remodeling supply hauler by allowing the second- and third-row seats to be folded into cubbies beneath the floor."

The new 2019 Ram 1500 – the most-awarded light duty truck in America – continues its streak of award wins, taking the full-size Pickup category this year.

According to *Car and Driver*, "In its comfort, composure, and capability, the Ram 1500 is America at its best. In the upper trims, Laramie Longhorn and Limited, the detailing and material richness exceed not only those of any other current pickup, but the standards established by any domestic vehicle in many decades. And the Ram's rear suspension delivers a class-leading ride with or without a trailer, smoothing out high-frequency chatter and shrugging off big impacts with ease."

2019 Chrysler Pacifica

The Chrysler Pacifica reinvents the minivan segment with an unprecedented level of functionality, versatility, technology and bold styling. Re-engineered from the ground up on an all-new platform, with more than 100 available safety and security features, the Uconnect Theater rear-seat entertainment system, available 4G Wifi and a full array of comfort and convenience technologies, the Chrysler Pacifica has earned its spot as the most awarded minivan since 2016 – serving as a no-compromise minivan ideally suited for today's families.

2019 Ram 1500

The all-new 2019 Ram 1500 is a no-compromise truck, leading in luxury, efficiency, capability and innovation. Ram leads the full-size truck segment with significant gains in fuel efficiency through an all-new eTorque mild hybrid system in both V-6 and V-8 configurations. Overall weight for the Ram 1500 has been reduced by 225 pounds. The frame uses advanced materials and engineering to eliminate 100 pounds while increasing stiffness and durability for 12,750 pounds of towing capability and 2,300 pounds of payload. The new Uconnect 4C with a massive 12-inch touchscreen leads the pickup world with technology, featuring split-screen capability, 360-degree camera views and exclusive content from SiriusXM with 360L. Active safety and security systems join the technology onslaught with adaptive cruise control, automatic emergency braking and blind-spot monitoring.

Augmenting the *Car and Driver* 10Best Cars franchise, which for the past 37 years has recognized the 10 best cars on the market in each January issue, the 10Best Trucks and SUVs awards in the February issue are organized around 10 segments. The list, based on extensive testing, recognizes one honoree from each category: subcompact SUV, subcompact luxury SUV, compact SUV, compact luxury SUV, mid-size SUV, mid-size luxury SUV, large SUV, mid-size pickup, full-size pickup, and van.

Car and Driver evaluates each contender against its peers using a 100-point scale, basing each score on how well it meets its intended purpose, how good a value it is, and how compelling it is to operate. Any vehicle with a base price higher than \$90,000 is excluded from consideration, based on the editors' belief that an oversize price should guarantee excellence.

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