

TOYOTA RAV4 TIMELINE

YEAR	MONTH	EVENT
1989		Original RAV4 concept is presented at the Tokyo Motor Show.
1994	June	First generation RAV4 launched in the UK, with a three-door body and 2.0-litre petrol engine.
1995	June	A five-door body style is introduced.
1997		An electric powered RAV4 is developed; a number are used for tourist transport on Jersey.
1998	January	The range is revised and a soft-top three-door version introduced.
2000	August	The second generation RAV4 is launched.
2001	July	A 2.0 D-4D diesel engine is made available.
2003	October	The range is revised and the XT grade structure adopted.
2004	July	Launch of the Granite special edition model.
	December	The flagship XT5 grade is launched.
2005	June	Launch of the XT-R feature model.
2006	February	The third generation RAV4 is launched in the UK, with 2.0 VVT-I and 2.2 D-4D 140 and 180 engines. The T180 becomes the new top-of-the range model. Three-door body style is discontinued.
2007	January	A new XT-R feature grade is launched.
	March	Integrated Active Drive is made available as an option on XT ₃ models.
2008	July	SR180 model is introduced; T180 is deleted from the range.
	September	Grade structure revised to XT-R and SR180 trims.
2009	August	2009 RAV4 launched with Toyota Optimal Drive powertrains. Introduction of 2WD 2.0 Valvematic.
2010	January	2.0 Valvematic 2WD model is deleted from the range.
	June	New 2.2 D-4D 2WD becomes entry point to the range, and all models gain new frontal exterior styling.
	October	2.0 Valvematic and 2.2 D-4D engines revised to meet Euro 5 emissions standards.
	November	An electric-powered RAV4, developed with Tesla, is unveiled at the Los Angeles motor show.
2012	November	The fourth generation RAV4 makes its debut, at the Los Angeles motor show .
2013	March	First deliveries to UK customers of the new RAV4. The range adopts a new grade structure : Active, Icon and Invincible.
2014	January	Toyota extends the availability of its 2.0-litre D-4D engine in the RAV4 range, adding an all-wheel drive version in addition to the 2WD model. At the same time Toyota Touch 2 is introduced in higher grade models and specifications and option choices are improved.
2015	January	The new RAV4 Business Edition increases availability of the 2.0-litre D-4D engine with front-wheel drive.
	May	The 2.0-litre Valvematic engine becomes Euro 6-compliant, delivering improvements in fuel economy and CO ₂ emissions.
	December	RAV4 re-styled for 2016 and equipped with more powerful and efficient 2.0-litre D-4D engine. 2.0-litre Valvematic petrol engine delivers better fuel economy. Revised equipment grades are introduced in a new line-up of Active/Business Edition/Business

		Edition Plus/Icon/Excel. Toyota Safety Sense is available on all versions apart from Active.
2016	January	The RAV4 Hybrid is added to the range.
	October	The 2017 RAV4 is introduced, with Toyota Safety Sense standard on all versions excepting Active.
2017	October	Introduction of the 2018 RAV4 with new grade structure and extended availability of hybrid power across the full range.
2018	March	World premiere of the fifth generation RAV4 at the New York Auto Show.
	October	The fifth generation RAV4 makes its European debut at the Paris Motor Show.