

# All Car DVDs Players Are Not Equal

Imagine my surprise when I went looking for a DVD for my car. We were to take our grandkids for an extended road trip and I thought it would help it to a DVD player. The trouble is “monitor”. I saw all these good priced monitors and thought that is real great to get the monitor and the DVD for that price. Then I discovered that they really did mean just the monitor. Not the DVD in a monitor, but a monitor.



If you want a monitor with DVD you need to look for a monitor that includes the DVD. Otherwise all you get is a “monitor”. So here is some quick information on monitors and what to look for.

The flip down car video monitor is probably the one you are most familiar with. It is mounted to the roof of the car and flipped down when in use. Then it is flipped up out of the way. It is used by the back seat passengers and the monitor usually ranges from 7-12 inches.

The Overhead Car Video Monitors can be attached to the ceiling of the car. Most usually you find them in mini vans, and SUVs because they require some of the head room. It usually fits over the inside light. These can be 7-20 inches in width.

Headrest car video monitors are built into the back of the headrest. You can buy the whole headrest since most of you will not want to cut out a chunk of your present headrest. Keep the old headrests so you can put them back in the car when you trade it in, thus allowing you to keep the head rest for the new car.

Headrest Portable [car video monitors](#) are essentially portable

DVDs. They can be attached to the back of the headrest and be moved about. These range in size from 5-10 inches. This was my choice because it can be taken out of the vehicle and used in to motel room, the camper, the trailer, a tent...well, you get the idea.

In-dash car video monitors are put in the dash for the entertainment of the front seat passenger. Driver you need to keep your eye on the road. It can be flipped up and down for convenience and space. They are usually less than 7 inches.

The Sun visor car video monitor can be mounted into your visor or you can replace your original sun visor with it. It is usually 5-7 inches in length.

Mirror car video monitors are made to fit over the rear-view mirror. They are great to be used as a rear view camera. It is very small, usually no more than 4 inches.

Now the most important thing to remember is that you need the DVD with these monitors if you wish to play a DVD. So remember that if you do not want to buy a separate DVD you need to look for a monitor that includes a built in the [car DVD player](#). They are out there and can be found easily. Just don't be fooled into buying a monitor thinking it has a DVD included.

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