

TOOLHACKER CAR STEREO COMPARISON FOR SINGLE-DIN DASHBOARD SLOTS

	Brand	Model	Description	Apple Carplay	Price	Total Cost Installed	Source	Amazon Reviews	Amazon Rating	Amazon % of 5*	Best Buy Reviews	Best Buy Rating	Crutchfield Reviews	Crutchfield Rating	Walmart Reviews	Walmart Rating	Notes
<input type="checkbox"/>	BOSS Audio	BVCPA9W	20W RMS x 4-Ch Car Stereo with 9" Touchscreen, Apple CarPlay (wireless), Bluetooth, AM/FM, and Backup Camera	Yes	\$503.41		Crutchfield						10	4.4			Reviews are generally poor; see overall brand review performance below.
<input type="checkbox"/>	BOSS Audio	BE10ACP-C	20W RMS x 4-Ch Car Stereo with 10.1" Touchscreen, Bluetooth, AM/FM, and Backup Camera	Yes	\$320.00		Crutchfield	309	4.0	57%	—	—	223	4.5	—	—	Amazon: \$316. All Amazon reviews have five-star ratings of less than 70%.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kenwood	DMX4710S	50W x 6-Ch Car Stereo with 6.8" Single DIN Touchscreen, Apple CarPlay (wired), Bluetooth and USB Mirroring	Yes	\$320.00	\$441.04	Best Buy	2	5.0	100%	\$1.00	5.0	20	4.5	1	5.0	Great video on Amazon shows it can be integrated with all kinds of car warning systems. YouTube review . The UI could use some work, though. I had to Google how to set presets for the AM/FM radio. You need to be in AUTO2, then hit the < arrow to bring out the preset menu, then hold the preset number until you see it say Preset 12 or whatever on the screen. Not super intuitive. The processor also feels a tad slow, but the price is reasonable for all you get. Great installation instructions, great sound, responsive touch screen. I'm no audiophile, but I'm very happy with the Kenwood DMX4710S. Excellent sound, reasonably responsive touchscreen, and easy installation. What I don't love: the mic is not great. Siri understands me, but people receiving phone calls while driving have had trouble. Three out of maybe 25 times I plugged in my iPhone and CarPlay failed to connect for some reason. Not sure if it's the head unit, phone, or cable. Unplugging and plugging back in solved it
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pioneer	SPH-10BT	22W x 4-Ch Car Stereo with Built-In Smartphone Cradle and Bluetooth	No	\$150.00	\$366.95	Best Buy	857	4.5	74%	\$66.00	4.3	212	4.5	66	4.3	I do wish there was a quick access to mute. Volume control and next song are easy, but if you want to mute, it is two menus away. But you can press the pause button. You cannot adjust the treble and bass on the head unit. You also can't use advanced sound adjustments while using Apple Music. With wider phones like the iPhone 15 Max, it's a tight squeeze. Depending on position, it hugs the power or the volume button, which is a problem. The audio from the app is extremely bad and LOW. Adjusting source volume did nothing. The Radio is super loud, but I maxed out the volume in the app and still couldn't hear it. You cannot view text messages, and the audio to speak them usually misses a few words. The phone falls out of the holder almost instantly. You can't use cord and Bluetooth simultaneously; you have use the menu to switch between the two. (It usually doesn't switch); You must use the app to preset radio stations. Anything you do on the radio causes your phone to switch to the app. You must remove face plate to move the phone holder.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Power Acoustik	CP-71W	17W x 4-Ch Car Stereo with 6.5" Single DIN Touchscreen, Apple CarPlay (wireless), Bluetooth + Android Auto.	Yes	\$140.00		Walmart								96	4.5	Fits Miata well. Wireless CarPlay is slightly buggy when first set up. Great product, one-of-a-kind radio. Nothing else compares for a single DIN. This head unit is awesome for a car that doesn't have CarPlay. The radio works flawlessly, and the screen is super clear. It can't beat it for the price. if you're wondering if you should buy this, stop wondering because you should. This is the best \$140 stereo money can buy. I'm blown away. Other stereos with the same features cost \$1,000. Wow, wow, wow is all I can say. I was worried the display would be laggy, but not one bit. It is so smooth, and installing was super easy. It even made my speakers sound louder and clearer. This is the perfect stereo for my e36. Fits like a glove in my 1984 Volvo 240. We don't have any double-DIN options unless you remove the center AC vents. This thing fits perfectly in the original single-DIN slot, boots up super quick, has a nice bright clear screen, and great sound quality, and is an excellent way to update your older car. Highly recommended! Added a flush-mounted USB port from Amazon to plug into the back of the radio for wired Apple CarPlay. The connector is exactly the same as Kenwood, so I didn't even have to rewire it.