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12 Best Baby Cribs for 2022



A quick look at the best baby cribs

- **Best basic crib that grows:** [Graco Benton 4-in-1](#)
- **Best convertible crib:** [Delta Children Emery Deluxe 6-in-1](#)
- **Best crib for storage:** [Graco Remi 5-in-1](#)
- **Best multipurpose crib:** [Storkcraft Steveston 4-in-1](#)
- **Best crib for small spaces:** [Delta Folding Mini Crib](#)
- **Best eco-friendly crib:** [DaVinci Kalani 4-in-1](#)
- **Best crib for short moms:** [Babyletto Hudson 3-in-1](#)
- **Best vintage-style crib:** [DaVinci Jenny Lind 3-in-1](#)
- **Most stylish crib:** [Million Dollar Baby Winston 4-in-1](#)
- **Best splurge crib:** [Stokke Sleepi Adjustable Crib](#)
- **Best budget-friendly crib:** [Union 4-in-1](#)
- **Best travel crib:** [Guava Family Lotus Travel Crib](#)

General features that make a crib safe:

- Interior dimensions of a full-sized crib (the part that's inside around the mattress) should be $28 \pm 5/8$ inches (width) by $52 \frac{3}{8} \pm 5/8$ inches (length). While this varies slightly crib to crib, the important part is that the mattress that comes with the crib is a snug fit — no more than two fingers between mattress and crib. It should take effort to make the bed!
- Crib slats that are no more than $2 \text{ and } 3/8$ inches apart. For reference, this is about the width of a soda can — any wider and your baby's body may easily slip through.
- Corner posts that are no more than $1/16$ th inches high — any higher and your baby's clothing could get caught if they try to climb out.
- Headboards and footboards that don't have any cutouts. Again, this is so your baby's head or body can't get trapped.
- While once very popular, those drop-side cribs are no longer manufactured and **not recommended** by the CPSC. So, if you come across one, it's likely a good idea to pass on it.
- Wooden slats should be made of strong wood that's not easily broken.
- Hardware should be made with anti-loosening devices so that it stays secure while in use and over time.

How we chose the best baby cribs

Beyond meeting the safety criteria, we evaluated the following cribs on their quality, added features, affordability, and — of course — style.

We also weighed customer reviews from people who've used these cribs, then shared the good, the bad, and the ugly.

It's important to note that cribs range in price, sometimes wildly. Just because a crib is more expensive, however, doesn't necessarily mean it's any safer or better for your baby.

Dimensions listed are in inches.

Price guide

- **\$** = \$100–\$200
- **\$\$** = \$200–\$300
- **\$\$\$** = \$300–\$400
- **\$\$\$\$** = over \$400

Best convertible crib

Delta Children Emery Deluxe 6-in-1



- **Price:** \$\$
- **Dimensions:** 55.5 L x 30.25 D x 43.5 H
- **Weight limit:** 50 pounds
- **Color options:** bianca white, dark chocolate, grey

Key features: Many cribs you'll see on the market convert to toddler beds or even full-size beds. The Delta Emery is an overachiever in this area, converting from a crib to a toddler bed, daybed, sofa, full-size bed with headboard, and full-size bed with a headboard and footboard.

In other words — you have options as your child grows. And for the price, it's a great value.

Considerations: Several reviewers mention that the slats rattle when kicked or otherwise moved, which may wake babies during sleep. Others say assembly takes quite some time. A number of shorter women say this crib is tall (over 43 inches), which makes it difficult to place baby down when the mattress is in the lower settings.

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Best crib for small spaces

Delta Folding Mini Crib



- **Price:** \$\$
- **Dimensions:** 39 L x 25 D x 37.25 H
- **Weight limit:** 35 pounds
- **Color options:** cherry, grey, white, natural

Key features: Don't have much space? There's a crib for that. The Delta Folding Mini Crib is just 39 inches wide and folds flat for easy stow-away, making it an excellent option at a grandparent or sitter's house. It's also a good choice if you live in a small apartment or if you plan to have your baby sleep in your bedroom.

This crib has two adjustable height settings, wheels for mobility, and comes with a crib mattress. Available finish options include gray, white, dark chocolate, dark cherry, or natural.

Considerations: Parents say this crib tends to have a heavy chemical smell, at least in the early days. So it's a good idea to let it air out before using it with baby. Others say this crib is good with newborns and smaller infants, but that larger babies may find it too small and get their limbs caught in the slats.

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