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The Best Mini Crib for the Nursery, Travel, and More

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Cribs are bulky and expensive, but baby has to sleep somewhere.

But what about a mini crib? The average mini crib (or portable crib) is 24 wide and 38 long, compared to the standard width of 28 and length of 52. And the best part is, mini cribs are a lot cheaper!

The features of a mini crib are the same as a standard crib. There is still the option of a deep or shallow crib mattress. There is also a wide range of colors and materials, as well as the option for a convertible portable crib that becomes a toddler bed or even twin bed later on.

Delta Children Folding Portable Mini Crib



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The [Delta Children Folding Portable Mini Crib](#) is functional and affordable. It features rolling wheels and convenient folding that makes transportation and storage easy.

Safety

While this mini crib does not have GreenGuard certification, it does meet or exceed government regulations on toxic chemicals in baby products. The crib has been tested for lead and other known harmful contaminants.

Unfortunately, despite the testing, there is a strong chemical smell when this is new. It is best to stick it in a room for 2-3 days and let it air out before using.

Another benefit of the Delta Children mini crib is the 2-position mattress. This adjusts through your little one's lifetime, making them easy to reach when they are young and preventing them from falling out of the crib once they are older.

Functionality

Like the previous model, this has rolling wheels that help you move the crib around your home. It also folds flat for transportation and storage, with the mattress sitting inside. These are nice features and they come at a much lower price than the Babyletto Origami crib mentioned above.

Even though the travel crib is sold at a lower price, a substantial mattress is included. This easily makes it a contender for the best mini crib on a budget. While the included mattress is 2-3" thick and thicker than other crib mattresses, some parents prefer buying a thicker mattress. If you buy crib sheets that are too small, the mattress will bunch up and fold.

Something else to note is that this can be difficult to assemble with the included instruction. However, Delta Children did create tutorial videos that can be watched online, which can make assembly easier for people who are struggling.

Pros

- Very affordable and comes with mattress
- Rolling wheels to help you move around your house
- Folds flat with the mattress inside for storage and transportation
- 2-position mattress

Cons

- Strong chemical smell
- Included mattress bends with small sheets

Don't forget to check out the best-selling and top-rated matching [nursery dresser](#) from Delta.