

Cannondale Touring model (US made) evolution. v3

see: <https://community.vintagecannondale.com/threads/highest-touring-model-seen.1198/>

Yr		BB height	model	colour	model	colour	model	colour	model	colour	
1983	mk1	10.44/26.5	ST500								First bicycle produced by Cannondale. Internally lugged aero fork crown?
1984	mk1	10.44/26.5	ST500								No difference to prev year model.
1985	mk1	10.44/26.5	ST500	Red, Charcoal, Blue	ST400	Red, Black, blue					Suntour for ST500, Shimano 600 for ST400. Traditional lugged fork crown used for lower models.
1986	mk1/1a	10.44/26.5	ST800	Anthracite	ST500	Navy	ST400	Light blue Red			ST800 is 3x5 Shimano 600 with cantis, others are 2x5 Suntour
1987	mk1/1a	10.44/26.5	ST800	Anthracite	ST600	Slate/Lavender #	ST400	White Banana #			ST800 is 3x5 Suntour with cantis, others are 3x6 Shimano & side-pull. Lavender & Banana have special graphics
1988	mk1/1a	10.44/26.5	ST1000	Black	ST700	Red	ST400	Black Blueberry			Cantis and internally lugged aero fork crown still only for top model ST1000
1989	mk1/1a	10.44/26.5	ST1000	Anthracite	ST600	Black	ST400	Mystic blue			All 3x6. Suntour XCM for the ST400. Last year for side pulls on the lower models.
1990	mk1a	10.44/26.5	ST1000	Anthracite	ST600	Inferno Red	ST400	Metallic blue			End of 27" wheels & Shimano half-step triple cranks. Only year of Suntour Command shifter (ST1000).
											End of internally lugged fork crown on the ST1000. Transition to unicrown via traditional lugged fork crown.
1991	mk1a	10.44/26.5	ST1000	Anthracite	ST600	Light metallic blue					Only year of Gripshift bar-end shifters (both). Last Suntour (7 sp) - XC Comp & X1. 700c wheels & unicrown forks.
1992	mk1a	10.44/26.5	T1000	Anthracite	T600	Champagne (see note)					Shimano XT & Exage 400/500LX. Fenders on ST1000. Champagne paint likely changed to a metallic blue.
1993	3.0 T	10.44/26.5	T1000	Anthracite	T700	Turquoise metallic					First use of seat tube collar. Shimano XT & LX. Bar end shifters (both).
1994	3.0 T	10.5/26.7	T1000	Iceland green metallic	T700	Cobalt blue metallic*					Chainstay indents removed. Compact Shimano/Sugino (Coda) crankset & cassette. *Hyper highlight paint on T700.
1995	3.0 T	10.5/26.7	T1000	Iceland green metallic	T700	Mako blue Rocket silver					First year 3.0 frame mentioned (T100 & T700) but no difference with 1993/4 frame? Bar end shifters.
1996	CAD2	10.5/26.7	T1000	Moss green	T700	Cherry smoke	T400	Black gold			First Year CAD2 (all models). First use of STI (RSX) on T700. No fenders shown or specified (usual on top model).
1997	CAD2	11.1/28.2	T2000	Black w Ti decals	T900	Galaxy blue	T500	Galaxy Red Galaxy Sky			T2000 8 speed/135mm. First year with raised BB height. T2000 & 900 have fenders + 105 & RSX STI shifters. T500 has d.tube shifters
1998	CAD2	11.1/28.1	T1000	Tropical green	T700	Kiwi Iris blue	TS700	Kiwi Iris blue	T500	Blue grass Super black	8 speed except T500. Only year of hydraulic rim brakes (T1000 only). Back to bar end (T1000/700) or d.tube shift on T500. Seat tubes look to have steeper angle but goem chart says not.
1999	CAD2	11.1/28.2	T1000	ChromoLus jade green	T700	Tropical green	TS700	Tropical green	T500	Iris blue	Last of the 1" steerer. No fenders. Bar ends (last use) for T1000 otherwise STI or d.tube? T500. Start of V brakes. Use of 52/42/30 road cranks on all but the T500. This nonsense continued until 2003, after which 48/38/28.
2000	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	T2000	Smoke silver metallic	T800	Candy apple red Tropical green	Silk T800	Cany apple red Tropical green			9 speed (all). First year of CAD3 mountain bike adapted frame. Fenders are back. 52/42/30. V brakes for the T2000 only. After two years only, back to traditional cantilevers from this point forward.
2001	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	T2000	Battleship grey	T800	Gold pearl Nantucket green	Adventure	Smoke silver metallic can't read			Fenders gone again - for good! 52/42/30. Also Adventure Headshock cyclocross frame - nice.
2002	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	T2000	Super black	T800	Gold pearl/yellow Primal grey	Silk Adven 2000	Super black	Silk Adven 700	Blue pearl ovr kale or silver	52/42/30. High spec Silk Adventure 1000/700/400 & rigid Adventures with flat bar road shifters. CAD3 Silk City 1000 looks good. Warriors & Bad Boys decent also
2003	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	T2000	Conifer	T800	Blood red grey	Street Headshok	Blood Red			52/42/30. Adventure range not as good as 2002 (all have 75 deg ST), but Street Headshok in blood red is better
2004	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	T2000	Graphite grey	T800	Patriot blue					T2000 gets Fatty URAC fork. Also Street Rohloff & Street Nexus Inter-8 & Street X. Adventure range dumbed down
2005	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	T2000	Fairway green	T800	Midnight blue					Global map themed decals (T800 only). T2000 continues with Fatty Ultra R All Conditions straight fork.
2006	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	T2000	Charcoal grey	T800	Mocha brown					Global map themed decals (both). T2000 has same fork.
2007	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	T2000	Jet black	T800	Mariner blue					Last use of the straight fork (T2000). Also Treking Light & Ultra, Touring Classic, Adventure 1,2 & 3 Ultra (75 deg ST?)
2008	CAAD 3	11.1/28.2	Touring 1	Titanium grey	Touring 2	Fine silver					10 speed(all)
2009	CAAD3	11.1/28.2	Touring 1	Lightning White	Touring 2	Jungle green					As prev year mostly.

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Metallic/pearls shown in purple

700c Touring capable alternatives shown in blue

BB height applies to 23" frame (was variable wrt size up to 1993)

Only 3 frames designs - mk1 for side pull and mk1a for canti with unicrown forks later. 3.0 Touring / CAD2 (same thing) & CAAD3 of which later (2002-2007) were Alcolyte (T6013)