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Even in a Down Market, SEMA Delivers the Goods

The annual Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) show was held in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA, November 3 to 6, 2009. The show, the largest of its kind in the world, drew an estimated 100,000 attendees from over 100 countries. *Overland Journal* featured two vehicles at the show: the Overland JK, which had pride of place at the entry corner of the Chrysler Jeep booth; and our 2006 KTM 950, which was featured in the RAM Mount booth. Both placements reflected the surge in interest in overlanding products at this year's SEMA event. Scott counted at least 20 rooftop tents at this year's show, including four in the trend-setting tent and wheel area. Among the over 2,000 new products featured at the show were many of interest to the overlanding community.

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Black Dog Cycleworks KTM 950 Skid Plate \$305

The factory KTM 950 Adventure skid plate is sufficient for most dirt road and trail travel, but when the route turns to rocks, ruts and ledges, something more substantial is required. The Black Dog Cycleworks skid is made from 5mm aluminum and is powdercoated on all surfaces.

The skid plate protects the battery compartment, engine, and clutch and ignition covers, and mounts with factory hardware. The unit is also designed to work with most crash bars. blackdogcn.com, 208-263-0438



Disabled Explorers W.A.V.E.

Disabled Explorers' mission is to enhance the quality of life for the disabled through independent 4WD backcountry travel. To further that mission, Disabled Explorers debuted their Wheelchair Accessible Van for Expeditions (W.A.V.E.) at this year's SEMA show. Custom built by Sportsmobile, the W.A.V.E. features Sure Grip hand controls, B&D Independence power driver's seat base, and a long-travel wheelchair lift, all fully integrated into the Sportsmobile's proven 4WD van chassis. disabledexplorers.com, 602-451-6079, sportsmobile.com