Slideshow: The 10 strongest forklift trucks in the world

**Stronger than expected**

**These powerhouses have nothing in common with off-the-shelf forklift trucks. They lift huge steel elements, fully loaded containers or entire ships. Machineseeker, the marketplace for used machinery, now published a ranking of the world’s 10 strongest forklifts.**

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Extreme tasks call for extreme machines. The 10 strongest forklift trucks work to the max in mining or harbours. Under the harshest operating conditions, these heavy-duty trucks effortlessly lift up to 72 tons to airy heights.

The strongest of them is wider (4.67 meters) than two SUVs, has the wheelbase (5.75 meters) of a stretch limousine and the weight (90 tons) of half a house. The Finnish forklift Kalmar DCG720-10LB takes first place in the ranking.

"Despite the massive weight and enormous load-bearing capacity of heavy-duty forklifts, they consume significantly less fuel than a Formula 1 car on the racetrack”, says Thorsten Muschler, Founder and Managing Director of [Machineseeker.com](https://www.machineseeker.com).

“The investment for a new unit is in the high six figures. Purchasing a used forklift truck is a more economical alternative for many buyers. The increasing demand for used forklifts on our marketplace confirms this”, the second-hand machinery expert continues.



[Machineseeker.com](https://www.machineseeker.com), the leading online marketplace for used stationary equipment, has compiled a slideshow of these monstrous machines. Have fun exploring.

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**Ranking and Source**

**The 10 strongest forklift trucks in the world:**

1. Kalmar DCG720-10LB // 72 tons load-bearing capacity // 4m lifting height
Source: Kalmar Germany GmbH
2. Konecranes SMV 65-1200 B // tons load-bearing capacity // 7m lifting height
Source: Konecranes GmbH
3. Versa-Lift 100/140 // 64 tons load-bearing capacity // 10m lifting height
Source: Versa-Lift
4. MKF CS 600 D // 60 tons load-bearing capacity // 3m lifting height

Source: MKF GmbH

1. Hoist P1250 // 57 tons load-bearing capacity // 6m lifting height
Source: Hoist Liftruck Mfg., LLC
2. Hyster H52.00XM-12 // tons load-bearing capacity // 10m lifting height
Source: UnikTruck A/S
3. Svetruck 55200 // tons load-bearing capacity // 4m lifting height
Source: SVETRUCK Deutschland GmbH
4. Kalmar DCF 520-12 // tons load-bearing capacity // 5m lifting height

Source: Kalmar Germany GmbH

1. Hoist F1100 // tons load-bearing capacity // 3m lifting height
Source: Hoist Liftruck Mfg., LLC
2. Hyster H48XMS-12 // tons load-bearing capacity // 10m lifting height
Source: UnikTruck A/S

**Captions**

**The 10 strongest forklift trucks in the world:**

**First place**: Ranked first is the Kalmar DCG720-10LB with an incredible 72 tons of lifting capacity. It can conquer gradients of up to 34 percent. The Finnish manufacturer offers five more forklifts of this model series.

**Second place**: The second placed Konecranes SMV 65-1200 B weighs almost 90 tons. This gives the heavyweight a lifting capacity of 65 tons. The Scandinavians offer seven additional types of heavy-duty forklift trucks.

**Third place**: The third-placed model Versa-Lift 100/140 stands out due to its compact design with the extendable rear axle. The "small" power pack lifts 64 tons.

**Coming in 4th**: The compact forklift CS 600 D from MKF from Polch near Koblenz only slightly missed the podium with 60 tons of lifting power.

**Fifth place**: From the driver’s cab of the Hoist P1250, you can get a great view of the up to 57 tons of cargo due to its elevated position.

**Ranked 6th**: The Hyster H52.00XM-12 leads the second part of this ranking. It can lift up to 56 tons.

**Seventh place**: The Svetruck 55200 has a maximum lifting capacity of 55 tons. This allows the seventh-place winner to master his tasks in the steel industry with ease.

**Eight place**: The Finnish powerhouse Kalmar DCF 520-12 can lift up to 52 tons. It stands out because of its huge tyres, four of which are mounted on the front axle.

**Coming in Ninth**: The US manufacturer Hoist not only builds huge forklift trucks such as the fifth-placed P1250, but also offers a more compact heavy-duty truck. With a wheelbase of only 3.2 metres, the F1100 can lift up to 50 tonnes into the air.

**Ranked 10th**: The Hyster H48XMS-12 takes tenth place. With 48 tons of lifting power, the US-American transports entire excavators on its forks.

Load capacity and lifting heights are rounded to integer values.

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Machineseeker.com does not consider any custom-made models in this ranking.