FROM THE JOY OF FLIGHT TO THE THRILL OF ADVENTURE
In 1910, a young car salesman from Enid, Oklahoma witnessed his first aerial exhibition. His name was Clyde Cessna. He didn’t know it at the time, but it was an event that would change the course of his life and the history of aviation. In the same way the aircraft of 1910 sparked a new passion in Clyde, piston aircraft bearing his name would one day bring the joy of flight to more people than any other aircraft ever built.
THE AIRCRAFT PILOTS ARE MADE OF

It is contended that more people have earned their pilot’s license in a Cessna® piston aircraft than any other aircraft on the planet. And for good reasons. Tough. Sturdy. Dependable. Easy and affordable to maintain. Their high-wing design and wrap-around windows give pilots exceptional visibility. They are extremely forgiving to fly and have performance characteristics that enable them to climb quickly, cruise smoothly and land at incredibly low speeds. Over the course of nearly a century, Cessna® piston aircraft have made the wonder of flight an attainable reality.

In 1958, two men and a Cessna® Skyhawk® piston aircraft set the world record for the longest continuous flight. They flew nonstop for 64 days, 22 hours and 19 minutes, covering approximately 150,000 miles—the equivalent of six times around the Earth. To avoid landing to refuel, they dropped to an altitude of 20 feet and connected a hose from a fuel truck driving on the road beneath them. A procedure they repeated 128 times. Today, their record still stands.

“Cessna has consistently built the most reliable and cost-effective flight training aircraft in the world.”

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Since 1927, Cessna has produced nearly 160,000 single-engine piston aircraft, more than any other aircraft in the world.
Imagine how the spontaneity of flight can put the thrill into your weekends. Cessna® piston aircraft are up for any adventure you can conjure up. With their high-wing design, rigid airframe and muscular powerplants, these pistons can take you and your family, or business partners, to unforgettable destinations. Sometimes, the pure, breathtaking beauty of the world from the sky is the only destination you need.

“The freedom of picking a location, flying to that destination when you want and staying for as long as you want is incredible.”

_Cessna piston pilot_
When you own a Cessna® piston aircraft, you join a rich community of aviation enthusiasts eager to post photos of recent adventures, swap stories and share decades of experience. The Cessna® Pilots Association is a terrific resource for connecting with other Cessna® owners and for broadening your aviation knowledge through the courses they offer. Your Cessna® piston aircraft is the beginning of a great adventure in the places you’ll go and the people you’ll meet.
When you create the world’s most abundant aircraft, it’s only fitting to provide the world’s most comprehensive and responsive support network. Textron Aviation is there for you 24/7 with personalized support, technical expertise and the largest parts distribution network in general aviation. Nobody knows the importance of quality parts for your Cessna® piston like the people who built it.