

Edmunds.com Customer Ratings Nissan Altima Hybrid

Only one complaint

Date Posted: 08/04/2007

By: gr8tfuldad2003

RATING: 

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
Comfort:	10	Interior Design:	10	Reliability:	10
Fuel Economy:	10	Exterior Design:	10		

Review

Small trunk space. That's the only thing I've found not to like about this car. Everything else is awesome. Straight 10s.

Favorite Features

Quiet, smooth ride.

Suggested Improvements

Increase trunk size, even if this means making the car longer.

Better Than Expected Mileage!

Date Posted: 06/30/2007

By: Mark Gould

RATING: 

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
Comfort:	10	Interior Design:	10	Reliability:	10
Fuel Economy:	10	Exterior Design:	10		

Review

I bought the Altima Hybrid with the Technology Package. In my first 1,000 miles I averaged 39.7 miles per gallon. Since then, I have improved the mileage up to 40.9 miles per gallon. If you use the energy flow information correctly on the big screen you can really boost your mileage. I still drive 60 - 70 mph, but on declines I back off the accelerator and let the electric motor take over even at 65 mph. When I get tired of driving for the mileage, I kick in the 198 combined hp. It has 8 more hp than my 1996 Maxima did. However, if you only want the power, choose the 270 hp Altima instead. I am enjoying going for 750 miles between fill ups. I am looking forward to my \$2,350 tax credit.

Favorite Features

Satellite radio, navigation, back up camera, bluetooth voice activated phone, and keyless system.

Suggested Improvements

They need to be able to add fog lights! The black little dimples where the fog lights should be look stupid.

Awesome vehicle

Date Posted: 06/16/2007

RATING: 

By: Jeff C.

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
Comfort:	10	Interior Design:	10	Reliability:	10
Fuel Economy:	10	Exterior Design:	10		

Review

My base Altima Hybrid is a fantastic car that feels like a \$40,000 car. I just filled up the tank for the first time after 26 days and 615 miles of use. My first tankful worked out to 37.7 MPG. I feel great about saving money at each fill-up, the \$2350 tax credit, and reducing my carbon dioxide emissions. The car is very smooth and quiet, especially in EV mode. Even with the base model, the radio is quite respectable with 18 presets, CD player, and auxiliary audio to plug in your iPod. The intelligent key is great, no more fumbling for keys. There is a good amount of information on the trip computer including MPG, hours of usage, range to empty, outside temperature.

Favorite Features

Great gas mileage for a good sized car, beautiful exterior, good warranty on the hybrid components, luxury car fit and finish, quiet ride, lots of storage compartments including a huge glove compartment, trip computer, intelligent key, low tire pressure indicator.

Suggested Improvements

Trunk size. Front cup holders are too close to each other.

Great Car

Date Posted: 06/14/2007

RATING: 

By: fms

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
Comfort:	10	Interior Design:	10	Reliability:	10
Fuel Economy:	10	Exterior Design:	10		

Review

I've had the car for 3 months and have over 4,000 miles on it. I am tall (6'6") and I have plenty of head and legroom and an adult can fit comfortably behind me. Gas mileage is less than the EPA rating by quite a bit, but it's still very good. Average mileage has been 32 mpg. On a level freeway at 65-70 mph, I get around 36-38 mpg (approx. equal to EPA). With hills the highway mileage drops to about 30 mpg. On city streets, with lots of stop and go, the mileage is in the low 30s (much less than EPA). The best mileage is achieved in slow moving or stop and go commute traffic, where I have gotten above 50 mpg. I don't regularly commute with the car, but anyone who does should have a hybrid.

Favorite Features

Quiet operation in EV mode. The fact that I can fit (there's not enough headroom in the Prius or Camry). The availability of 200 HP in a hybrid vehicle and the standard VDC, traction control and alloy wheels.

Suggested Improvements

The front window tint is annoying. I have gotten used to it, but it cuts through the middle of my field of vision. It should either be raised or graduated so that its inset does not form a sharp line in the field of vision. I would like to have a larger trunk.

Luvit

Date Posted: 05/09/2007

RATING: 

By: Glent

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
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Review

So far, so good - after a bit less than a week and all is well! So, after reviewing both the Camry Hybrid and the Altima Hybrid, I thought that for the price, the Altima Hybrid the better deal and several days ago I bought one. Engine has a timing chain and not the belt that has to be replaces so often. My one concern is that the trunk is small and and will just barely fit all of my golf stuff, clubs, handcart, etc. Love the bells and whistles, moonroof and nav unit. I don't use the nav unit frequently and leave it off but love it when it turns on whenever I back up.

Favorite Features

Gas mileage - I haven't driven on any long trips and since I've only had the car several days, not much to judge by, but I love it when I drive and look at the miles I have left on gas tank and it increases after I've driven several miles (MPG increase).

Suggested Improvements

As with any battery hybrid, the trunk area is a great place to have additional batteries. Unfortunately, it does take away from the trunk space. Wish the trunk mat had the Altima name on it like other standard Altimas and floor mats do.

30 days, 2800 miles, 76 hours

Date Posted: 05/09/2007

RATING: 

By: Flying Cloud

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Review

Mostly on 101 Fwy, PCH, and LA City driving averaging 34.5 mpg. This car is amazing! Fun, performs well, roomy inside, trunk not too small, comfortable after a 2 hour drive, looks good and doesn't scream HYBRID. Purchased purely for utilitarian purposes, commuting and business travel. It is a very pleasant surprise after a month of heavy use. The CVT and hybrid system take some getting used to, but they lead to "strategic" driving. One is challenged by the kW meter not to stomp on the pedal, to attain and maintain speed carefully and to "drive farther ahead down the road". I purchased without tech package anticipating adding portable gps and iPod media.

Favorite Features

Hybrid system (especially electric motor assisted acceleration) and kW meter challenges driver skill and rewards with great mileage. Handling and braking is better than I expected, and climate control with dual front cabin controls is excellent. Fit and finish inside and out is superior.

Suggested Improvements

Handling and braking and performance should be improved to world class sports sedan standards. I know Nissan is capable of this. I would personally sacrifice some potential for wasting more fuel in exchange for more fun, especially if upside potential was still built in.

I love it!!

Date Posted: 04/17/2007

RATING: 

By: Danny

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
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Review

I love this car. It's really nice to get about 35 mpg and have room to seat 5 adults. The interior fit and finish is nice (better then the Camry and Accord in my opinion). The car is really easy to drive and responsive. Getting used to the hybrid system does take a few sessions but once you do, you wonder to yourself why all cars aren't electric?

Favorite Features

Keyless entry/start, 35 MPG so far in 550 miles, nav unit is great, Bluetooth is wonderful, CVT is really smooth.

Suggested Improvements

Trunk could probably be improved. There should be HID's on this car. Voice recognition could be better.

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Date Posted: 04/12/2007

RATING: 

By: Dan

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
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Review

I purchased a Toyota Highlander for my wife a few years back and felt the only new car for me was Toyota. I was so close to buying the Camry Hybrid but after reading reviews here, I tested the Altima. Sold! I'm a big guy at 6'4" 230 lbs and the comfort in the Altima is far superior to the Camry. Gas mileage is great at 38. And I think it looks much better than the Camry.

Favorite Features

Hybrid drive of course, gas mileage, car looks, and the little plastic pull-out thingie on the sun visor to block sun from side windows.

Suggested Improvements

Little more flexibility with packages. Forced to get leather seats if you want the Nav system.

Excellent vehicle for the price

Date Posted: 03/28/2007

By: plaroc03

RATING: 

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
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Review

Having searched for a car that would not only look sporty, but also be practical and economical, I chose the Altima Hybrid with the Convenience Package. Despite the thought that the 150 hp engine may not provide enough pickup, this vehicle has more than enough power with the combined electric motor. The car is extremely quiet, handles very well, and has plenty of room in the interior. The stereo is surprisingly strong, and the AUX input is convenient. The intelligent key feature is amazing. Overall, if you are looking for a sedan that combines a great look, roomy interior, and gas economy, you will not find a better deal than the new Altima Hybrid.

Favorite Features

excellent exterior look, hybrid technology, dual exhaust, great looking interior, overall quietness when driving, excellent handling, on steering wheel radio controls, radio quality, Federal Tax Credit for buying a hybrid.

Suggested Improvements

While everyone complains about the amount of trunk space in the car, I find it to be more than sufficient. You can fit all your groceries, there is plenty of room for luggage, etc.

Best looking hybrid

Date Posted: 03/23/2007

By: Eric

RATING: 

DETAILED RATINGS:

Performance:	10	Fun-to-Drive:	10	Build Quality:	10
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Review

After recently purchasing my altima hybrid i knew i had made a great investment. Not only does it drive fantastic but i know it is also a good looking car unlike other hybrids. Most powerful hybrid i drove.

Favorite Features

Exterior looks great. Interior is comfortable and quiet. And of course mileage

Suggested Improvements

Trunk