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01 Overview & Quick Facts

The Nissan Navara is positioned as the affordable bakkie alternative, competing with D-Max and aiming at budget-conscious contractors and fleet operators. The current generation emphasizes value-for-money with solid capability. The 2.3-litre turbocharged diesel delivers 140 kilowatts and 450 newton-metres—adequate torque for towing and work. Real-world fuel economy sits around 7.2-8.0 litres per 100km depending on transmission and driving. Interior is functional—basic but adequate for work vehicles. Build quality is good. Towing capacity is genuine. It appeals to contractors wanting genuine capability at prices below Hilux or Ranger. New vehicle pricing sits around R360,000-R550,000 depending on configuration. The used market is active as Navara ownership is established. Service costs are reasonable through Nissan dealers in major cities. The Navara represents a genuine evolution in its segment, balancing practical daily usability with longer-term ownership satisfaction. In South Africa's diverse driving conditions—from metropolitan congestion to regional highways to occasional rough tracks—this vehicle delivers competence across the spectrum. Market positioning places the Navara as a capable work vehicle for buyers prioritizing reliability and capability. Reliability underpins ownership satisfaction—this vehicle won't surprise you with premature...



Body Style	Pickup
Launched	1997
Generation	Current Navara generation focuses on improved comfort and stronger safety credentials
Fuel Types	Diesel
Colours	White, Silver, Black, Grey, Red, Blue
OEM Website	https://www.nissan.co.za/vehicles/navara

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
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03 Pros, Cons & Expert Verdict

<p>● STRENGTHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Reliability is demonstrated through proven engineering and market operation. ✓ Service costs remain reasonable through dealer and independent networks. ✓ Fuel economy sits within realistic ranges for segment class. ✓ Interior space accommodates family use across most configurations. ✓ Resale values develop as market recognizes vehicle positioning. ✓ Safety features include modern systems addressing real-world hazard scenarios. 	<p>● CONSIDERATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Depreciation follows segment patterns, with steeper loss during initial ownership years. ✗ Interior materials prioritize function over premium perception. ✗ Styling appears understated compared to visually aggressive competitors. ✗ Technology features may lag premium competitors in sophistication. ✗ Off-road capability remains basic for adventure-focused buyers.
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Expert Verdict

"Balanced pickup for work and lifestyle use"

The Navara is the practical choice for buyers prioritizing work reliability. It delivers genuine capability without requiring premium pricing or exotic maintenance. Resale values develop as market recognition grows. The used market becomes increasingly active as ownership examples accumulate. For buyers seeking dependable, honest transport, the Navara represents genuine value.

City Driving	Urban driving reveals competent engineering. Visibility is adequate for metropolitan traffic navigation. Parking assistance systems help genuinely in tight spaces. Air conditioning operates properly in South African summer heat. The driving position commands authority without excessive height. Interior layout remains intuitive through extended city driving. Audio systems integrate smartphone connectivity. Climate control maintains comfort in traffic-heavy commutes. Steering is responsive enough for urban maneuvers. Fuel consumption in city traffic remains predictable and manageable. The vehicle functions reliably through daily metropolitan use, delivering comfort during extended urban residence.
Highway	Highway driving confirms engineering integrity. At 120 km/h cruising, engine operation is relaxed and refined. Road noise remains controlled through wind and tire sound management. Fuel economy stabilizes within predictable consumption ranges. The transmission settles into efficient cruising operation. Comfort extends across multi-hour driving periods. Seating provides proper support without requiring frequent adjustment. Climate control maintains consistent cabin temperature. The ride quality balances bump compliance with directional stability. Highway safety systems function predictably without intrusive interventions. Extended highway driving confirms the vehicle's suitability for regional travel between major centers.
Off-Road	Off-road access ranges from basic to moderate depending on configuration. Ground clearance handles typical farm gates and low obstacles. Gravel roads present no challenge for standard variants. Basic farm tracks are traversable for most configurations. Rough terrain requires appropriate driving technique rather than extreme capability. The vehicle functions adequately for recreational off-road scenarios without specialization for rock crawling.

Best For

Contractors, farmers, business owners, towing-focused buyers

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 0 variants of the Nissan Navara side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

→ [Compare these variants on hagalu.com](#) (live prices, on-road costs, real owner reviews and EMI calculator)

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