

R34 GTT Frequently Asked Questions

1. What IS a R34 GTT?

The GTT is a Rear Wheel Drive 4 seat Coupe that has a Turbo-Charged 2.5L Straight Six engine which produces 280bhp, 250ft/lbs of torque and a 0-60 time of 6.5 seconds with a top speed of 160+mph as standard. It was first produced in 1998 and had a facelift in 2001 (the series 2) which is visibly different both outside and inside. It comes with 17" alloy wheels fitted with 225/45 tyres and has Nissan 4 pot front brakes and 2 pot rears. It's 4.5m long, 1.7m wide, 1.3m high and the inside is about the size of a medium family car (i.e. Focus/Astra etc) and can therefore seat 2 adults and 2 kids comfortably, although adults in the back may be a little squeezed in by the lack of leg space if the front seats are slid back all the way. It comes with either a 5-speed manual or a 4 speed automatic gearbox. The automatic version comes with Tip-Tronic buttons on the steering wheel and rally style up/down gearstick for gear changes.

2. I've only heard of the GTR, how does the GTT compare to one?

Although they share a very similar body shell and the same 4 wheel steering system (HICAS) the GTT is effectively a less computerised "everyday" version of the GTR in my opinion (and 1/2 the price too!). The big question is how do they compare, well I like to use this comparison - The GTR is similar to a race car i.e. 4wd with lots of computers to help the handling and better brakes etc whilst the GTT is a fast road car i.e. Rwd with no computer help, more comfortable and is designed for cruising. Although both produce the same quoted engine figures at 280bhp in reality the GTR has been dyno'd at 320+bhp as standard (280bhp is a Japanese legal limit) and as such, combined with the 4wd as well, it has a faster 0-60 time. In the end it all depends on your personal preference and budget, but if you go for a GTT you will NOT be disappointed.

3. How much is a GTT, where can I buy one and what basic spec does it have?

A quick search of the Autotrader website shows that they sell for between £11,000 and £20,000. The cheaper ones tend to be older, high mileage or accident repaired and usually standard cars whilst the dearer ones are newer, low mileage and most have been nicely tuned. All come with climate control Inc A/C, 4 wheel steering (HICAS), Xenon headlights, ABS and 2 Air bags. However, as the GTT was never sold in the UK, all of these have been imported so it may work out cheaper to get someone to import your car rather than buy one in the UK. If you do import one you may save up to £2000 although there are other costs to consider. If you do chose to import then I recommend either of these companies - www.newerainports.com, www.skylinesrus.com, www.stertegarage.com or www.linney.org - there are many others and I suggest that you check them out thoroughly before parting with any cash.

4. How much will it cost me for servicing and what are the day-to-day running costs?

A typical servicing should cost around £80 to £300, depending on what needs replacing, to around £5000 for a standard engine rebuild (£8000 for an uprated 500bhp+ engine) should something go bang. As for day-to-day use the Nissan quoted MPG for a standard GTT is around 30mpg but it'll probably be more around 20-25mpg depending on how heavy your right foot is and what BHP you have. Tyres cost around £80 to £200 a corner dependant on manufacturer and brake pads/discs are £100/£250 if you get performance ones instead of the more expensive Nissan ones but your garage/tuner should be able to help you more.

5. Where can I get it serviced and/or tuned?

Depending on where you live there is either lots of choice or none. For those in the south there is Rising Sun Performance near Basingstoke, Abbey Motorsports near Croydon, RK Tuning in south London and GT-Art in West Sussex. Those in the midlands have Options at silverstone, Thor Engineering near Coventry and Rod Bell's near Southport. In Scotland are The Garage in Wishaw and Greersport in Glendarnock. There's a list of all these garages websites near the bottom if you need contact numbers etc. There are many other places springing up daily but those above are the main ones in those areas, and if there isn't one near you then join the club!

6. What if I want to get mine tuned, what are the likely costs and any problems?

The answer depends on what BHP you're after. The higher the BHP you want, the more it costs and the more problems you have. I written a very detailed Page to answer this question on another PDF and it's for GTT's between standard and 750hp and it's available [Here](#). That should be able to answer any questions you have about tuning a GTT.

7. Are there any bodykits available including any to make it look like a GTR?

There are several bodykits available for the GTT, mainly by Japanese companies such as Nismo, Top secret, C-West, Impul and Veilside. These all need to be imported and as such cost a lot and take some time to get here. There is a Hong Kong bodykit manufacturer called Top Mix which most UK importers can get stuff from (they "copy" the other makers designs and sell them very cheaply). There are some kits which can make a GTT look like a GTR but these still need to be modified by a body shop to fit as the GTR bonnet & bumper is a different design to the GTT one. However, GTR alloys and the rear wing will fit a GTT although the alloys offset is slightly different so they may stick out a little.

8. What's the Insurance like?

The GTT is a group 20 car and therefore some companies won't insure anyone under 30 and, because the GTT is an import, most companies will charge more. I found that the best company for me (28, 3 years NCB) with my Dad as a named driver was either www.elephant.co.uk or www.belldirect.co.uk at around £950 where as most wanted £1500. No one said owning a Skyline would be cheap!

9. I couldn't find the question I want answered here, where else can I get some help?

This F.A.Q is by no means the definitive GTT guide and I've needed to ask for advice for most of these questions from plenty of other websites. I've made several other PDF's containing as much GTT information as I could find. All these are available from www.r34gtt.net but here's a list of the websites I've used myself.

Skyline Discussion and Forums

www.gtr.co.uk - Official UK GTR Owners Club with Forum(mainly GTR info but GTS-T/GTT stuff to
www.skylineowners.com - Another UK Forum mainly GTS-T/GTT based info
www.skylinesaustralia.com - Australian Forum with lots of GTT info
www.skylinesdownunder.co.nz - New Zealand Forum similar to the Australian one
www.hkskylineclub.com/index1.htm - Hong Kong Forum which is a mix of English & Chinese language

Skyline Parts and Tuners

www.greenline.co.jp - Run by Jason, these are the **BEST** company selling performance parts from Japan, very cheap and usually delivered in 2 weeks. I've bought almost everything for my car from this company!
www.risingsunperformance.co.uk - Run by Richard, great bloke and very knowledgeable about all Skylines
www.rbmotorsports.co.uk - Run by Rod Bell, not much of a website but I went there for servicing and tuning
www.abbeymotorsport.co.uk - Run by Mark they are a very highly rated Skyline tuner in the South East.
www.gtart.co.uk - Run by Gary this is yet another highly rated Tuner from West Sussex.
www.hiteq.co.uk - Run by Ian this is another good Tuner from Lancashire.
www.thor-racing.co.uk - Run by Pete these are based near Coventry and did a few of my Dyno runs for me
www.rktuning.com - Run by Ron and based in London these are the R32 Specialists!

Thanks for reading this and I hope it helps convince you that GTT's are a worthwhile purchase.

Cheers.....IanH