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## 2019 Toyota Avalon - A Smooth Operator!

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What to get if you want something bigger and more luxurious than a Toyota Camry, but don't want to get into a premium brand vehicle such as the Lexus ES 350!

Well, the answer since 1994 has been the Toyota Avalon.

For over two decades, the Avalon has been the flagship sedan in Toyota's lineup, and while it sells well enough for Toyota to keep building it, it hasn't set the market on fire!

For 2019, Toyota has introduced the fifth generation model of the Avalon, and like its predecessors it shares a lot of mechanical bits, and platform of the Camry, but this time around, it has been dressed up to a level an Avalon has never been at!

So, is the new Avalon a Lexus in Toyota clothing? Let's find out!



Styling: The Avalon had always sported conservative styling, but for 2019, it has gone for a rather daring exterior. With a

gaping wide mouth front bumper and grille arrangement, a choice of 18 or 19 inch alloy wheels, full width taillights, and two exhaust

ports, the Avalon looks far more aggressive than ever before.

In fact, I'd say, it looks too aggressive! That front end looks

like the mouth of that alien from the movie 'Predator' and surely doesn't look right on a grown-up vehicle. Not sure what the target demographic thinks of the styling of the new Avalon, but everyone I spoke to, didn't like the way it looks.

Interior: Everyone did however, liked the way its interior looked. This new Avalon easily has the nicest interior I have ever come across in a Toyota. In fact, it looks like that the design team that did this interior must have been the one that did the Lexus LC500's interior – or at least has been inspired by it. This new Avalon truly offers a luxurious ambiance, with premium leather on just about every surface, featuring diamond stitching – this truly is a Lexus in non-designer branding!

Not only does the interior remind you of a Lexus, it has about

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