

# Infinix Hot 11S: Gaming on a budget

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Smartphones have become a huge counterpart of consoles and PCs in the last few years. With game developers focusing more and more on handheld game releases, the market share of gaming smartphones are at an ever high. Even in Bangladesh, top brands are catering the gamers with nifty hardware every now and then.

Today we are reviewing Infinix's Hot 11S, a gaming-focused midrange smartphone priced at BDT 15,990. Here's our take:

## Exterior

Our review unit came in 'Green Wave' colour with a wavy pattern imprinted on the plastic back. Everyone who says encountered this device in the last couple of weeks. The camera housing design on the back also looked good.

The phone is a bit bulky for one-handed operation and might feel a tad bit heavy to some. All the regular refinements are there on the phone including a 3.5mm jack for audio.

## Display

The mammoth 6.7-inch FHD+ IPS LCD panel of the phone offered a decent viewing experience. What made us even more delighted was the 90Hz refresh rate of the display. Of

course, a gaming phone would have been great if we could get 120Hz on the display but considering the price tag, we are happy to settle for a bit less this time. Legibility of text direct sunlight was the best- that I have to admit.

## Performance

The phone comes packed with an Helio G88 processor. The phone's primary TG will be very much satisfied with the performance. For day to day operation, you will not notice any lag even when you are shuffling between apps. Coupled with 6GB RAM, we did not have a hard time running graphics-intensive games.

We tried fan favourites, Call of Duty Mobile and Asphalt 9 – both of them offered a high frame rate in medium/standard graphics settings.

## Camera

The triple camera setup on the back includes a Primary 50MP sensor along with a 2MP depth sensor with an AI camera sensor. The phone does not come with an ultrawide camera which is unusual for phones in these ranges. The primary camera of the phone offered decent photos in daylight. With the 50MP on, we could find a lot more details in the photos.

However, the colour rendition and automatic smoothing of the image might be a nuisance when you are trying to take photos

with a coloured background.

## Battery

Like most phones out there, no budget phone is complete without packing a hunky battery. The Hot 11S is no exception. The 5,000 mAh battery covered most of our workday with 10-15% charge leftover. We did not use the phone extensively for gaming though, which might dramatically reduce the battery backup significantly.

## Verdict

You get more than what you paid for. The phone offers very good performance at a price point. What impressed us most is that Infinix ditched the customary design scheme and colour accent and opted for something refreshingly cool. What annoyed us was the lack of an ultrawide camera, bloatware and associated notifications from it.

All in all, Hot 11S is certainly worth considering for anyone who is looking for a gaming phone on a budget.

