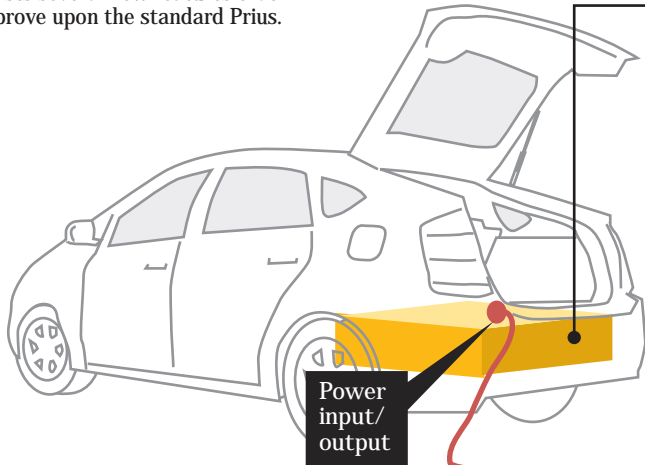


The new 'plug-in' hybrid

PG&E's plug-in hybrid Toyota Prius boasts several new features that improve upon the standard Prius.



Stronger battery

Plug-in models have a lithium-ion battery as opposed to a nickel metal hydride battery. The lithium battery holds up to seven times the energy of the NiMH ones, which allows the car to reach 100 mpg — a standard Prius gets 55 mpg.

Charging the Prius

Plug-in models can be connected to a power outlet to recharge.

Powering your home

The new battery can store 9 kilowatts of electricity, which can be used to power your home. The average home uses about 2.5 kilowatts per hour, so the Prius can essentially power your home for several hours.

Power cord
to home

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