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CAR WASH

*Why you should wash
your car and how to
do-it-right-yourself!*

What you will need -

- Car wash product
- Soft sponges or wash mitt
- Water bucket(s)
- Drying towels, squeegee or chamois
- Water hose
- Adjustable spray nozzle

Do-It-Yourself difficulty guide -

EASY **AVERAGE** **ADVANCED**

Estimated time required -

45 Minutes

Estimated cost savings -

\$20 - \$100

*Your vehicle's finish doesn't
just look good, it prevents corrosion. Proper
care and treatment will allow your paint job to
last a lifetime and protect your vehicle from
costly repairs. Never use common cleaners or
detergents on automotive paint as they can
cause expensive damage.*

*Advance Auto Parts carries a comprehensive line
of both traditional and state-of-the-art car care
products so you can keep your vehicle looking
great for years to come.*

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and tips visit www.AdvanceAutoParts.com*

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Step-By-Step Instructions

Equipment You'll Need

Parts You'll Need



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why you should wash your car weekly.



The paint on your car is a lot more fragile than it looks. While automakers make every effort to coat your car in the most durable paint possible it's up to you to make it last and keep it looking good. It is important to remove road salt, grime, and dirt from your vehicle's finish as soon as possible. Improperly cared for paint not only looks bad, but can seriously reduce the resale value of your vehicle. Look no further than Advance Auto Parts for a complete line of car care products.

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how to wash your car *do-it-yourself & save!*

Consult your owner's manual for your particular paint and finish requirements. If possible, park your car in the shade and allow for cooling before initial washing.



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Wash your vehicle only with liquid car wash. Dishwashing detergents are too harsh and will harm your vehicle's finish.



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Rinse off the soap suds with a steady stream of water. Work from the top down. Be sure to rinse out all of the crevices well.



2

Thoroughly rinse your vehicle with a hose to remove loose dirt and grit on the surface of your paint. You don't want to scratch your paint during the washing process.



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Completely dry off the vehicle as water spots will harm the finish. You can use terry cloth towels but a chamois or absorbent wipe work best.



3

The best way to wash your car is with a soft car wash mitt. Start from the top and work down. Don't let the soap dry on the surface.

Additional tip: For best results apply wax to your car every three months.