

## Fresh Drive - 5 Ways to Keep Your New Car in Perfect Condition



Your car could quite possibly be one of your most expensive possessions.

Therefore, you want to do everything possible to keep our cars in perfect condition for as long as possible. We often use our cars on a daily basis, meaning the condition and appearance can slip quickly if we don't keep on top of maintenance.

There are a number of things that you can do such as servicing and performance upgrades from companies like [euromotorsport.com.au](http://euromotorsport.com.au) that will keep your vehicle running smoothly. But there are also things that you can do yourself to ensure your car looks it's best for years to come.

### 1. Wash it regularly

You don't have to spend hours washing your car each and every weekend to keep it looking it's best. However, giving your car a quick wash on a regular basis with hot soapy water can make a huge difference. Consider the cleaning products that use, some cleaners may seem to be working wonders but could be damaging your car's paint job. If you are unsure as which cleaner best suits your model, it's always best to ask the manufacturer. If you're short on time, you could always drop by the car wash and get a professional to do the dirty work.

### 2. Use floor mats

The floor and footwell of your car are often difficult areas to keep clean.

Just like the carpet in your home, the floor of your car can quickly get covered in mud, dirt, dust and other unmentionables. The quickest and simplest way to keep on top of this is to invest in floor mats. Floor mats make light work of protecting the flooring inside your car and are often a lot easier to clean.

When the floor mats become dirty or dusty, simply pull them out, beat them down and give them a good vacuum and wash. They will also protect your interior from stains and scratches. When the floor mats get worse for wear they can also be replaced quite cheaply.

### 3. Vacuum

Just because you have invested in floor mats doesn't mean your car doesn't need a good vacuum every now and again. Focus on the seats, the boot and any areas dust and dirt may be hiding.

### 4. Keep your car under cover

One of the best ways to keep the exterior of your car looking clean and shiny is keeping it protected from the outside elements. If you don't have access to a covered garage or car port then there are alternative car covers to consider. Covering your car will reduce the risk of your car playing victim to water marks, debris and bird droppings.

### 5. Set some time aside to show your car some TLC

Although there is no need to spend hours every weekend cleaning your car, it is wise to give it a throughout clean once a month. Set adequate time aside every 4 to 6 weeks in order to give your car a deep clean. Use this time to wash with your chosen cleaning products, clean the windows, wax or polish, clean the tires and tackle the interior.

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Following the above tips regularly should make keeping your car looking its best quick and easy. A small amount of effort once or twice a week can make all the difference when it comes to having a clean and comfortable ride. After spending a considerable amount of money on your car, it's only right you should keep your investment looking as fresh as you can.

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