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□Customer Review for Pumpkin□KD-C0224 Universal 6.95" Android 4.4 Double Din Car Stereo

This thing is amazing. There is so much more you can do. There are some minor issues that can be resolved with a little perseverance.

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### Pros:

- WiFi Tethering: This unit connects up fine to my cellphone and tethers perfectly, everytime, without fail.
- •Bluetooth: While the head unit is connected to cellphone's WiFi tether, it's also able to connect to both my cellphone's Bluetooth for audio and cell, as well as my Bluetooth OBDII unit which I use with the provided torque app.
- Play Store: All apps work and I have not had any issues at all.
- Radio: Signal in my part of the USA is fantastic. Sound

is strong, and very little "hiss" for weaker stations.

- DVD Player: Mine worked when tested, but I don't use it, so I can't comment extensively.
- **USB:** I connected a 64 bit USB thumb drive and it has not given any issues.
- **3G Dongle:** I haven't used this, but from reading at XDA forums, there are some issues with powering the device. A powered USB hub fixes this issue.
- GPS: iGo app is not my favorite, so I simply downloaded Waze, and changed the setting in the GPS settings of Android to use the Waze app when Navigation button is pressed. You can do this with any GPS app, such as Google maps, which worked perfectly well with the satellite view as well.

#### Cons:

- Tuner: Looses presets occasionally. Not sure why yet. It's not a big issue for me.
- Random: When I use certain apps, and don't close them before I turn off the car, they force close when the head unit restarts. Not a big deal, but something to be aware of.
- Fitment: Unit is about 1/4" wider than USA standard double din head unit. You'll need to trim the bezel on your car to fit. If you don't want to do this, then this unit is not good for you.

## In Summary

I have waited a long time for a <a href="head unit">head unit</a> that could do everything I wanted it to do without issues. This unit does them all, with only very minor issues. All of which I feel will be resolved with future firmware and ROM releases. The

manufacturers are constantly releasing updates and fixes, and are very hands on in the development and support. I highly recommend it!

For more highly recommended car head unit, please visit: autopumpkin.com

# How to Prevent Mazda Car Stereo Theft

Actually, you have a variety of options in reducing your risk of car stereo theft. Some cost money, while others are more strategic and are completely free.



#### **Solutions:**

- Check your doors and windows every time you leave the car to make sure they're completely closed and locked. Unlocked doors and open windows pose as advertisements to thieves to target your <u>car stereo</u> and your other possessions in the car.
- Park your car in a secured area, such as a garage, whenever you are able to. When parking in public, park in well-lit areas that have a lot of foot traffic. Thieves target vehicles that offer the least chance of

- them getting caught. Cars that are in the dark, parked near an easy escape route or are isolated from the public are more likely to suffer break-ins.
- Keep the stock radio in your car if it works well and you like the sound quality. Thieves very rarely target or steal stock radios, because they don't have much resale value. They also don't fit well in different models of cars, giving them very limited usage outside of the vehicle in which they were originally installed.
- Invest in an Mazda Android 4.4 car stereo with a removable face if you choose to upgrade your car radio from the stock model. Remove the face of the stereo and take it with you anytime you leave the car. Never leave the face in the glove box or anywhere else in the car, because people often do this and thieves will look for it.
- Consider tinted windows to help prevent thieves from seeing what type of stereo you have in your car.

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