How to Keep Your BMW Android Car Stereo from Being Stolen

Even when you park your BMW in an area that is not known for being at high risk of theft, you should take all of the proper precautions to ensure that your BMW can't be broken into. Otherwise, it might happened this:



It's important to reduce the probability of items getting stol en from your car as well by having the interior of your car lo ok as unattractive as possible to criminals. This means you shouldn't flaunt an expensive BMW Android car stereo system in a reas and you make sure your security system is fully activated

Things You'll Need

- Speaker covers
- Fake plate cover
- Security system

Instructions

■ Turn your car radio down when you begin to approach the area where you plan on parking. You don't want to call a ttention to your sound system to any criminals in the ar ea that may hear that you may own an expensive car DVD p

layer.

- Park in an area that is well lit with traffic and pedest rians often near by. If parking in a parking garage make sure there is a parking attendant on duty and cameras p ointed near where you park your car.
- Take anything out of theinterior of your car that could attract theft, including loose change, CD case or shoppi ng bags. Place these items in the trunk of your car.
- Place speaker covers over any expensive speakers that can be visible from the outside. Consider placing a fake plate over your stereos head unit so that it looks cheaper then it really is.
- Make sure you car has an efficient security system. A sy stem that is loud and calls attention to your car if it' s touched is the best to use. Make sure all doors are co mpletely locked and take note of your surrounding before leaving you car.

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Pumpkin Consumer Review BMW
E46 Android 4.4 7-inch Car
Stereo

7" Pure Android 4.4 Car DVD Player For BMW E46













Key Features:

- Aftermarket Android 4.4
- Cortex A9 Dual-Core 1.6GHz
- RAM DDR3 1GB
- 8GB memory, Support both 3G and Wifi
- Support BMW E46 Series on your car DVD
- Support 1080P Video
- Support DVR, OBD2

By Corban Dallas

I had never heard of <u>this unit</u> before and found it on a random search through Amazon, I figured for the price it was worth a shot since the Dynavin is still a good bit more expensive... I am very impressed by it!

Installation

Installation was silly easy, I got it done in a couple of hour s and that was because I wanted to hide the wires for the GPS antenna and Bluetooth microphone, if you're less picky than me you could get it done in a half hour.

Screen, buttons and knobs

The buttons and knobs are very well built, the finish is sligh tly more glossy than the stock business radio of the E46, thou gh I suspect part of that is due to aging of the stock materia ls. The screen is bright and clear and the touch screen is ver y responsive, the colors and sharpness are great.

Audio quality

I was worried that the audio quality would be worse than the s tock CD player, but it's definitely not when using equal mediu ms (CD's, iPod, radio, etc.), but when streaming Bluetooth it's not the best, most people probably wouldn't notice the difference (my friends didn't), but if you're like me and like clear audio you'll want to stick to CD's, SD cards or an iPod.

GPS navigation system

I love the navigation which displays the speed limit of the ro ad you're on as well as warning you if you're speeding, it can also display any nearby gas stations, hotels and many other things and lets you choose which ones you can see or not see.

App installation

The unit comes with a .apk installer app so that you can install any app from the Google Play store from an SD card, or anyw here else you could find a .apk app. It also has the Google Play Store app installed on it so if you use your phone as a mobile hotspot for the on-board wifi or use a 3G data card in your unit you can download apps directly from the store.

The included apps are pretty good. My only gripe with the pre-

installed music player is that there is no shuffle button, that seems like a huge oversight, otherwise it works well and the equalizer presets are pretty good, as is the custom mapping option that it gives you.

Conclusion

All in all I'm very happy with this unit and would highly recommend it to anyone. It's made the interior of my E46 feel much more updated and new. In fact, my girlfriend just bought a new Ford with the "My Ford Touch" option and she agrees that the nav screen in my E46 is better.

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