

Customer Review on Pumpkin 7" Flush Panel Android 5.1 Lollipop Car Stereo-RQ0276E



Here is my review of this [Pumpkin](#) 7 inch touchscreen [android 5.1](#) lollipop car stereo from [AutoPumpkin](#).

The android car stereo comes safely packaged in a retail box.

Inside the box

- * 1 x 7 inch touchscreen android 5.1 double din head unit

- * 1 x fascia surround

- * 1 x wiring harness

- * 1 x AV/phono/amplifier harness

- * 1 x gps aerial

- * 1 x double USB and 3.5mm line in harness

- * 1 x wired mic for mounting to dashboard

- * 1 x welcome card and instruction booklet

I've wanted to try one of these [android](#) car stereos for quite a while and I was pleased to be kindly offered the chance to review this one at a discount by the seller.

The head unit comes with protective film over the touchscreen to prevent scratches in transit and included in the box is

pretty much all you need to fit the stereo in your vehicle except obviously the vehicle specific surround which varies widely car to car.

I wanted to swap this car stereo with one I fitted last year to my 2007 Ford Focus(a specific double din facial frame needed,I have not ordered one), a pioneer CarPlay touchscreen head unit.

I wasn't using the CarPlay function at all and decided to give the android system a go, as there's so much more you can customise and do with it.

The harness included has ISO connectors and fitted into the adapter harness that I had used with the pioneer head unit.

The harness cables all plug into the back of the android head unit in their specific ports. Apart from the fact that I had to damage the surround getting the pioneer unit out (don't ask) I plugged the android unit in and was able to get it powered up and working in no time at all.

I was pretty blown away by the functions of this stereo, built in wifi, access to the Google play store and all the associated apps, there's so much potential with these units.

I wanted to get the steering wheel controls working and theres not much info in the manual other than there's two wires, that need to be connected to a analog resistive steering wheel control unit.

I watched a video on YouTube and someone on there showed that you connect the two wires to the steering wheel adapter that I had previously purchased for the pioneer stereo, it has a

small jack similar to a headphone jack and what I did was strip back the insulation on each wire about an inch and carefully wrapped them round the first and the last contacts of the jack taping them carefully with insulation tape so as to not short them out on each other. I didn't use the middle contact on the jack.

I opened up the app which allows you to assign different functions to the steering wheel controls of your car, and to my surprise the Ford Focus's steering controls worked! I could use the skip track, volume and mode buttons and you can set each button to do whatever function you like. Awesome!

So I downloaded the Spotify app and before I knew it I was downloading tracks to the head unit just like you can to your phone!

The touchscreen of the [android](#) unit is very responsive and the resolution of the screen is really very good, with good colour and crisp looking graphics.

The stereo is capable of receiving DAB signal with a module that can be purchased separately, and also a 3G dongle can be fitted so you can connect to the Internet and check emails, browse the web, virtually anything you can think of, all from the stereo.

I used my iPhone's wifi hotspot connection to get the stereo connected to the Internet, although I haven't managed to get it to auto connect when the stereo powers on.

The stereo has Bluetooth connection as well and I streamed music from my iPad and iPhone all without issue and with good sound exactly the same as the pioneer unit.

The head unit has a 4 x 50w output for the speakers and the sound quality of the unit is as good as, if not slightly better than the pioneer. The Ford Focus factory speakers are very good with a decent bass and this was all pretty much the same as the pioneer unit. I found that the door mounted speakers seemed to be working with this android unit and for some unknown reason they didn't with the pioneer unit this android one replaced.

The build quality of the stereo is very good, and the sound quality equally so.

Overall I feel I have only scratched the surface of what you can do with this unit but here are some of the pros and cons I've found so far –

PRO'S

- * Responsive 7 inch touchscreen
- * Good quality sound
- * Good build quality
- * Possibility of receiving DAB signal

- * All the benefits of the android lollipop OS

- * Access to google play store

- * Built in wifi

- * 3G connection with optional [dongle](#)

- * [Reversing camera](#)/dash camera inputs

- * AV output for headrest mounted rear screens

- * Bluetooth connectivity

- * USB/SD playback of music and video

- * GPS navigation with optional map SD card

And many more!

CON'S

- * Very reflective screen

- * Not much info on steering wheel control setup

* Does take 25 – 30 seconds to boot from “cold”

So far I'm really impressed with the performance, sound and functions of the head unit.

I will update my review after a couple of months to see how things are going after I work out more of what's possible with the unit.

Highly recommend this stereo, a big step forward from the dated user interface on the pioneer, which was £150 more.

Thanks for reading my review.

PS: To install this universal car stereo in my 2007 [Ford Focus](#), it needs a 2007 Ford Focus double din facial frame which I have not ordered yet.

—by Joseph

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Customer Review on Pumpkin Android 5.1 Car DVD GPS for Opel-RQ0422E



I was looking for a new replacement [android](#) car dvd for my CD30MP3,in partivular I wanted the in-car navigation and more function on music,such as YouTube and Spotify.My car is [Opel](#) Corsa D 2012 Facelift.

After finally a new version [Pumpkin Android 5.1](#) device has been released,I got slammed.The delivery is fast,packaging is good and solid,the operating instruction and note with support contact information are also included.

Installation is really self explanatory, in addition the guidance tips are also available.

The only confuse is that how I should put all the cables together, and the radio also protrudes a few millimeters, so I have to do some work on the plastic strip behind the radio. I have also attached the GPS antenna and the 3G stick above the glove compartment.

Processing of the radio is very good, no dust behind the screen, solid workmanship, good pressure points, super gap. I have tested all the functions, everything works fine. Only I have to get used to the equalizer settings of default MediaPlayers, VLC Player from the store works and beautifully. Spotify works great, with Wi-Fi and the [3G stick](#) (must be ordered separately).

GPS position data shows immediately, the radio runs smoothly without hitch, until now no hanger or similar issue.

[Rear view camera](#) (must be ordered separately) to work immediately, radio boot about 10 seconds, but not annoying.

Also the steering wheel remote control and the display work top in combination with the radio.

—by Dom

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Customer Review on Pumpkin 7 Inch 1024*600 Android 5.1 Car Stereo GPS -RQ0264E





This review is the for [Pumpkin](#) Quad Core 7 inch 2 Din [Android 5.1](#) Lollipop Car Stereo Radio HD 1024*600 Muti-touch Screen GPS Navigation Support 3G WIFI Bluetooth OBD2 Mirror Link with [Backup Camera](#).

Overall I am very satisfied with this [Pumpkin](#) head unit, considering the price point and its feature set. Originally I was looking to get an android auto/carplay compatible deck but those start at hundreds of dollar more. This [Pumpkin](#) car stereo works pretty well offline as long as you plan ahead and download maps/music to the unit itself

If you have any specific questions please ask in the comments and I will answer!

*****Install*****

Install went smooth, the provided manual is decent it is a

non-name brand Chinese product so don't expect a manual on the same level as a Pioneer/Alpine/or comparable head unit however; the wire layout is clear and the harness provided has decent size wires to mate with the metra vehicle harness I bought as well to mate this with my van. Everything went smooth on the install, I have installed about 4 stereos in my life, however for work I troubleshoot and support complex electronic equipment

Now it is noted in the pictures for this unit but the RCA video cable that comes with the unit is only 6 meters, this is long enough for most cars I'm sure but for my Odyssey it is too short and I had to purchase a longer one, not a big deal but worth noting. Also the microphone cable is only 1.2 meters so it isn't long enough to run up to the pillar on the drivers side to put it up near my head, however I mounted it right on the steering column and sound quality for calls has been good even with the windows down callers could hear me fine with minimal background noise. Finally the GPS cable is only about 3 meters which was fine, I ended up mounting it under my dashboard, however that would not be long enough to attach it to the roof if you wanted to do an exterior mount as the supplied mount does have a magnetic base. When selecting a location for the GPS antenna the software does have a GPS monitor function within the settings menu to see the number of satellites it currently has in view and their signal strength so I knew placing it under my dash wouldn't be a problem.

This unit does accept micro SD cards, the documentation specifies a 32GB max, which is what I got and installed in the slot on the front and it recognized it no problems and is writing maps and music to it.

*****Performance*****

I think this is perhaps the weakest area of the unit, it only has 1GB of ram so it bogs down a bit. To be fair I was setting it up last night downloading/installing apps, downloading offline map data, Spotify playlists etc etc so I was doing a lot of reading and writing and putting data on the 32GB SD card. Maps hangs a bit when I originally open it up, however I am not currently running the Wi-Fi hotspot function on my car so it is most likely polling the offline maps and perhaps that is why. I will update this review once I have had more time with the unit. Overall so far it isn't a deal breaker but as with everything it would be nice if it ran faster/smooth, however it is defiantly functional.

It does boot fairly quickly, within ~30 seconds max of the car being turned on it is ready to go. I haven't hooked up my backup camera yet but I believe as soon as you put it in reverse it will throw the screen to the camera, I will update this review if that isn't true.

So far it has connected to my Bluetooth just fine on my phone every time I have started the unit up without any issues and phone calls connect perfectly as well. I have not tried to stream music off my phone to the unit yet as I downloaded everything I wanted to the unit. I also haven't tried using the AUX input yet, but once I do I will update.

The radio app comes right up and is smooth Google Maps tends to boot up laggy, but once it is and you have a destination set it runs smooth, it is just the initial launch that is slow

*****Screen/buttons*****

The screen is easy enough to see and not too dim, I have no problem viewing it from the driver's seat at the angle it rests in my dash board in my 2003 Honda Odyssey. The volume knob works well (I'm glad they have a physical knob rather than soft buttons) and the home, back, and navi buttons all work well. You simply map the navi button to launch an app of your choice, in my case I have it launching google maps

I personally love that it has a volume dial, pushing it in turns off the head unit. The only downside to this dial is that it isn't to an amp it controls the android system volume so if the tablet is un-responsive the volume controls won't respond

***Negativity ***

My main complaint of the unit so far would be the way it handles resuming your previous task once you are done talking on the phone. For example this morning I was listening to a spotify playlist I had downloaded for offline use when my wife called me on my drive to work. Once we hung up the phone it started playing the radio instead of jumping back into the playlist. I have to play with the settings more to see if this is something that can be configured.

—By Matt

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