

Customer Review on Pumpkin Android 5.1 Car DVD Player BMW 3 Series E46 M3--RQ1130E



I have just installed the [Pumpkin](#) car dvd for [BMW](#) E46 today and can say I am very happy with the results however I have a couple of things that need mentioning:

No 1. compatibility of the built in harman kardon system as i thought I would need to rewire all of the speakers however everything has worked without rearranging of the wires and it was a straight forward plug in (business cd).

No 2. the harness plug on the [Pumpkin](#) car dvd [bmw e46](#) was very fiddly and it broke the clip in the BMW car so I had to remove that for the harness to fit in.

No 3. problem sliding the unit back into the dash due to the yellow and black wires running into the fuse block of the [Pumpkin](#) harness. I had to cut the wires and extend them which eventually gave more space and the unit fitted in perfectly.

The problem with [reverse camera](#) is verry simple you must cut the wire from reverse camera. The plug from dvd didnt work so easy but if you try a little bit hard will be plug. I own a e46 from 2004. And no other problems. No lag no nothing everithing work proper!

The buttons and knobs are very well built, the finish is slightly more glossy than the stock business radio of the E46, though I suspect part of that is due to aging of the stock materials. The screen is bright and clear and the touch screen is very responsive, the colors and sharpness are great.

The bmw dvd gps car radio comes with a .apk installer app so that you can install any app from the Google Play store from an SD card, or anywhere 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.

Over all I am very happy with this Pumpkin unit. Only one thing I forgot to plug in was GPS Wire which I will leave for another day.

–by Musa

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[Customer Review on Pumpkin VW Android 5.1 Car DVD GPS for VW Skoda Seat Passat-RQ0368E](#)





Installation was straight forward, needed to buy a radio antenna adapter for my 11 plate scirocco as the one supplied didn't fit.. All the features I have tried work as they're supposed to.. All in all good alternative to the more expensive branded ones on the market.

– by Gareth

Excellent. I have been reading all other reviews before I purchased this [Pumpkin vw android](#) car dvd gps and I will say, they are very honest.

It took me about 2 hours to install the vw car dvd player that includes removing the old one.

Another hour to install [reversing camera](#) which is a great addition to the vw car stereo.

The whole package works superbly. The canbus talks to the car without any errors. I have a skoda vrs 2009.

The sound quality is on par with the previous head unit.

The [3G dongle](#) works well. Its takes a short time to connect so be paitent. I am using 02 pay as you go sim. There are others

you can use. I will add so pictures soon.

Overall I would definatley recommend this unit to anyone wishing to change there in car entertainment.

– by Dave

Very good radio for car. Cannot say there's anything it can't do apart from make a cup of tea. Very easy to use, very easy to install. Bluetooth,WiFi and everything working perfect. Syncs to phone very well not used the [reverse camera](#) yet though as it stands out from a mile away and will probably get stolen in the places I park my car. Was expecting the camera to be small but is not. Might be able to drill a viewing hole in rear bumper and install behind bumper sum time. Bought extra [headrest monitor](#) screens as well for the rear of the car which are nice and easy to connect to the radio itself. Very self explanitary all connections can only go in the right slots so it's near impossible to install wrong unless you start cutting wires which is definitely not needed with this system.first radio I've seen that has Google play store on it. Only problem is I'm more interested in playing with the system than watching the road,lol

–by Tyrell

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[How to Make Pumpkin Universal GPS DVD 's Steering Wheel Control Work if Your Car Has No SWC from Factory](#)



Almost all of [Pumpkin universal Andorid](#) car GPS DVD supports the Steering Wheel Control if your car came with this control from factory, but it only supports resistance ladder type since

[Pumpkin](#) universal head units only offer standard ISO power cable which has no Can-Bus decoder. And the program is easy.

However not all the cars has steering wheel control(SWC) from factory, the drivers still wanna make the SWC work with Pumpkin Car DVD. Then what they can do?

Here is one of [Pumpkin](#)'s customers who succeeded in making the SWC work in his non-SWC car.

Steering wheel audio controls. This was a big part of my decision to get this [Pumpkin](#) head unit. It states it will work with steering wheel controls, but doesn't list how. It uses two wires that run to the wheel controls.

The car gps stereo will only work with resistance ladder type controls. Meaning Vol up switch is 150ohm, Vol down is 300ohm, etc. All on the same wire. You have to ground the switches, not run the resistance between the two wires. I added a new wheel with audio controls to my car that didn't come with controls from the factory. I had the hardest time getting them to work. The program part is very nice, but it seemed like it couldn't get a good reading off the switches. I tried different resistances, different number of switches on each wire. Everything I could think of, but nothing made them work for any more than 5 minutes. Sometimes after I programmed them, I went back to CD player to use them and they didn't work. I thought it was just a crappy part of the system, like the radio.

I bought a PAC SWI-X, a system that converts resistance signals to IR signals. Its is meant for steering wheel

controls. I thought this would work, as the remote always worked fine with the unit. But this unit did not work well either.

I noticed that it would not pick up the signals from the wheel either. (it has an LED that lights up when a signal is received) Same problem, it would work for 30 seconds after programming, then very erratically. Thinking the odds of the PAC unit not working were quite low, I hooked up a multimeter to the wheel controls. The controls are grounded through the steering shaft, just like the factory horn ground. To my surprise, the resistance was all over the place. And not by a little, by several hundred ohms. Whenever the wheel was touched, the resistance flew up and down. No wonder the unit didn't work well, it had no idea what was being pushed! I had an extra wire in my clock-spring, so I grounded the controls to the dash through that wire. Everything works amazing now!!! I have complete control over the unit all the time!! I am so happy I found this out.

Long story short, test your ground on the wheel to make sure it is a stable ground if you are having trouble with the controls not working. I figured since the horn and cruise control grounded through the steering shaft, that it would be a sufficient ground. I was so wrong. I wanted to post this up, as I did not see any other guides online to show to to hook up the controls.

Great unit at a great price. Can't go wrong!!

Hope his experience will help you guys out!

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