# <u>Pumpkin Consumer Review[BMW</u> 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

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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 diffe rence (my friends didn't), but if you're like me and like clea r 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 t hings 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 insta ll 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 Pl ay Store app installed on it so if you use your phone as a mob ile hotspot for the onboard 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 preinstalled music player is that there is no shuffle button, tha t seems like a huge oversight, otherwise it works well and the equalizer presets are pretty good, as is the custom mapping o ption that it gives you.

#### Conclusion

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

PS: Autopumpkin.co.uk website is launched: 2-5 days delivery; NO tariff & Free shipping to UK and EU.

## <u>How to Install an LCD Monitor</u> <u>in Your Car</u>

Installing an LCD, or liquid crystal display monitor in your car can add a convenient method of visual entertainment, as well as practical functionality. The LCD monitor could be used for watching DVDs, playing video games, or for GPS navigation systems. It can be useful for long trips or just driving around town. To learn how to install an LCD monitor in your car, consider these suggestions.

#### Steps



1[Determine the location for the monitor. When installing an LCD monitor in your car, determining its intended purpose will help you know exactly where it should be installed. If the video playback will be primarily for children, for example, a popular option is to locate the monitor on the back of the front seat headrests for back seat viewing.



2[Disconnect the cables from the vehicle's battery. Raise the hood and locate the vehicle's battery. Verify the correct sized wrench or socket and remove the terminal attaching the battery cables to the battery. Disconnecting the battery will help ensure your safety, and protect the electronic components of your vehicle from short circuits.



3 Purchase new headrests with built-in LCD monitors from an electronics dealer. This is the easiest method of installing an LCD monitor for back seat viewers.

- Remove the old headrests by simply pulling them up from the seats.
- Insert the new headrests in the same place. Attach the wiring to the DVD or video game player and nearest power source.

Mounting LCD Monitors in the Vehicle Dashboard



- Purchase an LCD monitor designed to retrofit the dashboard of your vehicle. This is the best option if the monitor is to be used by the driver and front seat passenger. Using standard tools, locate the screws or pins holding the face plate and any other cover from around the vehicle's <u>stereo</u> receiver.
  - Unplug the existing wiring harness from the receiver and remove the old unit. Plug in the new LCD monitor unit into the wiring harness and insert it into the dashboard.
  - Reattach the face plate and other covers around the new unit. Take precaution not to strip mounting screws by over tightening.



2. Reattach the battery cables. Place the terminals back on the battery and tighten with correct sized wrench. Now that the power had been restored, turn the new LCD monitor on and adjust the settings according to the manufacturer's instructions. Test all the functions of your new unit, including the video and audio.

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