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## Jetta IV, Golf IV, A-Pillar Gauge Pod – Installation Instructions

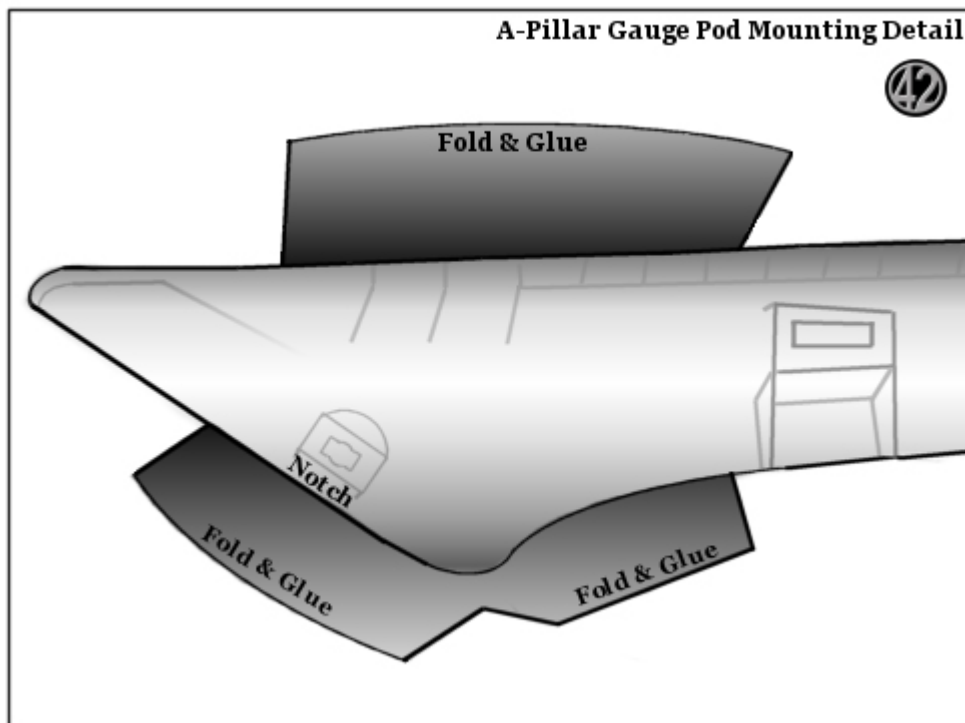
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1. Remove A-pillar trim by locating upper seam and prying outward. Use clean hands and avoid using any type of tool to pry. Once a small opening is created at the pillar top, use some force to release the 3 plastic mounting clips. With A-pillar cover pulled out, lift upwards remove completely.
2. On a clean surface, test fit gauge pod on pillar trim. Notice the pod will only fit in the lowest position. Line edges up and wrap the fabric tabs over pillar trim. Use sharp scissors to precisely notch the tabs where any protrusions of the pillar trim exist.
3. Fit gauge and secure using the gauge's supplied mounting hardware. Decide on a wiring route. Wire and tubing can be run under the molded wire trail on the bottom of the pod. Install any tubing or wiring at this point. The gauge and lighting (LEDs have polarity!) should be tested prior to permanent installation.
4. With gauge secured, mount pod on the A-pillar trim. The three fabric tabs should be wrapped **tightly** and secured to the back of the A-pillar trim. For a permanent installation, use contact cement or glue of choice. For a temporary installation, use foil tape or duct tape to secure the fabric tabs to the back of the trim. During mounting, hold pod tightly against trim to assure a flawless seam between pod and trim. Consider using tape to hold tabs in place if gluing tabs one by one. Remember, tabs should be wrapped **tight** and glued to the **back** of the stock trim. This installation should make no permanent modification to the visible area of the stock A-pillar trim.

### Adhesives

Contact cement offers the best adhesion, but is difficult to remove. To change the gauge or lighting LED the pod will need to be removed. Keep this in mind when choosing an adhesion method. Many customers have found duct tape and foil tape to hold well while offering a removable adhesion.

5. With pod mounted and glue dry, route wires and tubing down the side of the dashboard. Install wires and tubing based on manufacturer's instructions.
6. Reinstall A-pillar trim by inserting bottom section between the frame, dashboard, and weather stripping. Fold in and position based on the location of the upper seam. When in position, push trim back into place. Use force to snap mounting clips in securely. Good luck and have fun!



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