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Mitsubishi Eclipse Grille

Installation instructions and care guide.

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Thanks again for purchasing your custom grille insert from the GrilleGuy. The following are some general guidelines that will simplify the installation process and make owning your GrilleGuy grille an enjoyable experience.

- Always place the head of the cable tie behind the grille for a cleaner more custom look.
- Occasional use of an aluminum polish will give your grille a brilliant shine

A. Hardware list (center grille, 1995 - 1997):

- 1 perforated aluminum grille insert
- 1 vinyl trim gasket
- 10 weather resistant nylon cable ties

Installation Procedure:

Note: A 2000 GT was used as an example in some of the center grille instruction photos. This procedure is applicable to all year models listed above.

Step 1 – Drill six 5/32” holes in the body color plastic front end panels at the locations shown, three in the top and three in the bottom. Drill approximately 1” in from the back edge of the panel. We had the luxury of having this aftermarket bumper cover to do the fitting. You will have to drill the holes with the bumper cover on the car.





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Step 2 – Route a cable tie thru each of the holes you just drilled, **do not tighten these**, only engage the teeth in the cable tie by about one inch. These ties will serve as anchor points for the ties that actually hold the grill.

Step 3 – Test fit the grille insert by placing it inside the opening, shiny side out. The grille should conform to the center opening on the car and fit snugly. This will actually help provide support for the grille. Use a pencil or magic marker to mark the holes where you want to route the cable ties, corresponding to the holes you just drilled. These should be as close as possible to the top and bottom, directly in front of the holes.

Step 4 – Route a cable tie through an opening in the grille, next to the trim (from the back) and then through the front of the grille via an adjacent hole. Six ties in all.

Step 5 - Wrap the cable tie thru the hole and out from under the panel. Now, complete the loop as shown below. Go ahead and push the cable tie “tail end” thru the back of the grille and out the front. **This way you will be able to pull tight from the front side. Loosely fasten the cable tie, do not tighten at this point.** Repeat steps 4 & 5 for all six ties. The last couple will be a little more difficult, especially if you tightened the first few too much.



Step 5 – Tighten the cable ties using an alternating pattern. Pull the cable tie tail no more than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch each time then move to the next point. **This is critical**; if you tighten too much at one time the grille may move out of position in such a way that it can not be repositioned without starting over.

Important!!! DO NOT over tighten the cable ties, these cable ties have 40 lbs tensile strength, your grille insert weighs less than 2 lbs. You just need enough tension to keep it from moving around, it is possible to damage the grille by over tightening.

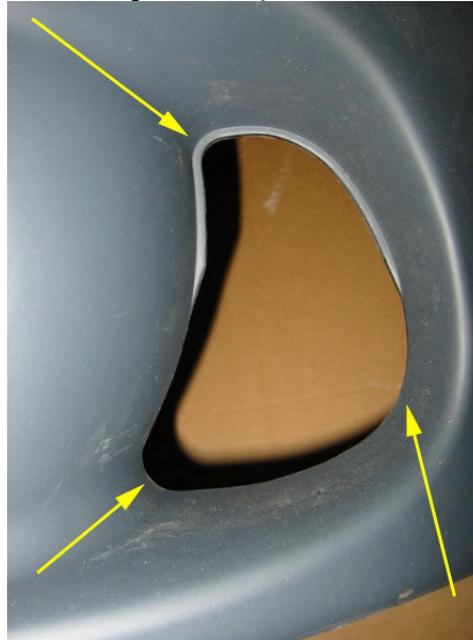


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B. Hardware list (side grille, 1995 - 1999):

- 2 perforated aluminum grille inserts 2 vinyl trim gasket
- 8 weather resistant nylon cable ties

Step 1 – Drill three 5/32” holes in the plastic body panels at the locations shown. Drill approximately 1” in from the back edge of the panel.



Step 2 – Route a cable tie thru each of the holes you just drilled, **do not tighten these**, only engage the teeth in the cable tie by about one inch. These ties will serve as anchor points for the ties that actually hold the grille.

Step 3 – Test fit the grille insert by placing it inside the opening, shiny side out. The grille should conform to the center opening on the car and fit snugly. This will actually help provide support for the grille. Use a pencil or magic marker to mark the holes where you want to route the cable ties, corresponding to the holes you just drilled. These should be as close as possible to the top and bottom, directly in front of the holes.

Step 4 – Route a cable tie through an opening in the grille, next to the trim (from the back) and then through the front of the grille via an adjacent hole. Three ties in all.

Step 5 - Wrap the cable tie thru the hole and out from under the panel. Now, complete the loop as shown below. Go ahead and push the cable tie “tail end” thru the back of the grille and out the front. **This way you will be able to pull tight from the front side. Loosely fasten the cable tie, do not tighten at this point.** Repeat steps 4 & 5 for all six ties. The last couple will be a little more difficult, especially if you tightened the first few too much.



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Step 6 – Tighten the cable ties using an alternating pattern. Pull the cable tie tail no more than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch each time then move to the next point. **This is critical**; if you tighten too much at one time the grille may move out of position in such a way that it can not be repositioned without starting over.

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