

Car Talk's Summer Driving Tips



List to take to the Mechanic

P.S. Here's that list you can take to your mechanic.

1. Check out the entire cooling system: radiator, coolant, belts and hoses, cooling fans, heater core and water pump.
2. Tires: check tread depth, uneven wear and tire pressure, and get a real spare.
3. The front end: check ball joints, tie rod ends, steering components.
4. Check the suspension, including struts and shocks both front and rear.
5. Change the oil. Look for leaks.
6. Check the air conditioning system: refrigerant level, compressor clutch and belts.
7. Check the tranny. Are you close to the recommended service interval? Is the fluid nice and clean? Any leaks?
8. Check the brakes! We know you're eager to get to your destination. But you want to stop when you get there, right?

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2. The Tires
3. Steering and Suspension
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6. Check the Tranny
7. Some Other Stuff to Think About

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