

MORRIS MINOR FRONT SEAT 1956-71 MODELS

FITTING INSTRUCTIONS

For these instructions the following applies:-

1. Base cushion cover is the part you sit on
2. Squab cover is the part you lean against
3. Use adhesive specified for use with rubber and foam
4. Tools required:- scissors, flat screwdriver & pliers

Place seat upside down on workbench and remove the half dozen or so black clips with a small screwdriver, which will release the covers from the back rail.

Remove rubber strip that attaches cushion cover to frame.

Place seat on the floor and pull squab cover up and off the frame. Cushion cover will then be free to be removed.

Ease foam away from base of frame, remove squab padding and replace or repair as necessary. Check Pirelli straps and replace if perished. Check the seat frame for damage, repair then paint as necessary.

FITTING PROCEEDURE

It is best to start with the base. Originally, most base cover skirts were held to the underside of the frame with a rubber tube which pushed the material into a slot in the frame. We would suggest you use our seat clips instead. You will need to flatten this slotted area with a pair of pliers as shown, to allow the the clips to work properly. Do this before the following procedures. Fit seven Pirelli seat straps as shown here.

Apply adhesive to the base frame and the foam wrap and stick to frame. The base foam itself can now be adhered to the frame. You may need to cut out a square in the foam around the vertical squab frame tubes so that the rear of the foam sits on the back rail.



FITTING THE BASE COVER

Lay the cover over the foam so that the front sits just over the front edge of the foam. Mark the centre of the foam with a ruler and marker, centralise the cover to the mark and then gradually turn the side skirts over the foam. Gradually pull the skirts tight and apply the seat clips every 2-3" around the frame.

Once the skirts are attached you need to bring the ends of the skirt around the upright tubes at the rear. Carefully cut along the round edge of the piping and cut out the piping cord to the front of the upright tube. This will flatten this area. Apply adhesive to the back of the skirt material and frame, then pull the skirt tight around the upright tube. The rear base flap can now be pulled and glued to the rear of the frame.



FITTING SQUAB COVER

Fit the five Pirelli straps as shown. Cover the new base seat cover with plastic to protect it from damage. The horse hair pad should sit on the new base cover assembly. It is slightly oversize. Apply adhesive the horsehair and the frame, allow to go tacky and press into place. Then trim the excess hair so that you have about ½” overlap to the frame. Apply a small amount of adhesive to the white wadding material, fold in half and cover the edge of the horse hair. Cut a strip off the plastic bag that the seat covers came in and cover the wadding as shown. This will allow the seat cover to slide easily over the padded assembly.



Slide the squab cover over the padding, pulling on the pipings rather than the front and rear faces. As you get near the bottom, insert the front flap between the base cover and the base of the horse hair pad. Note from the picture below how the piping goes to the front of the vertical tube. Keep pulling on the pipings until the cover is pulled right down. Clip the ends of the skirt with the seat clips. The front flap can now be pushed up inside the rear of the cover and held in place behind one of the Pirelli straps. The squab back panel can now be pulled tight and evenly clipped to the bottom rail



FOLDING SEAT FRAMES

The above procedure to fit the squab cover is virtually the same as above. However, as can be seen here, the bottom of the side skirts tuck up into the frame to the side of the hinge. Cut the piping and remove the cord inside-this will allow better access inside the frame. At the base of the back panel you will need to insert a thin piece of hardboard or similar, then screw to the frame to hold all the material in place.

