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5 Tools to Go Beyond a Basic Car Wash

The ritual of the car wash, once a simple way to splash away a spring day, has become a science involving pressurized air, nifty power washers and more

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A car's crevices can be treacherous. Dust and dirt inevitably collect in air vents, the grooves and seams of your infotainment center and other places no vacuum can reach. The tried-and-true way to dislodge such offending particles (for subsequent vacuuming) is with a concerted blast of air.

A simple way to do this is with the Industrial O2 Hurricane, a battery-powered gadget that expels air at 220 mph. Think of it as a chemical-free and more cost-effective alternative to the cans of compressed air that are often used to clean computer gear. The Industrial Version of the O2 had enough power to tackle car interiors, and comes with a flexible extension and brush head that are perfect for cleaning vents and getting into tight spaces. A 12-minute battery life gives you enough bursts per charge to handle an entire car.

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