

## Tools of the Trade

Just the other day a customer asked, “What is all that stuff in the back of your Suburban?” Well...that’s all the stuff it takes to clean a car. It takes quite a few supplies to detail a car properly. Having a mobile detail business means I have to bring my supplies with me to each job. I thought it would be of interest to you to take a look at just what supplies are necessary to detail cars; maybe this will help you with your own detailing.

- Brushes (lots of brushes) Wheel brush-soft, Tire brush-firm, Interior scrub brush, Detail brush for removing wax, Interior dusting brush, tooth brush and don’t forget the Q-Tips
- Towels (lots of towels) Micro-fiber towels-for polishing, Paper towels-for windows, Terry cloth-for everything else
- Cleaners (different kinds for different jobs) interior cleaner, wheel cleaner, tar remover, Leather treatment, Window cleaner, and a rubber protectant
- Waxes and polishes (use your favorites) don’t forget your wheel polish
- Vacuum with all attachment
- Bucket- Wash mitt, Sponge (large and small)
- Hose with nozzle that doesn’t leak
- Buffers- (I bring 2 different kinds) plus a full assortment of pads

### Extra Fun Stuff

Air Compressor

Small rolling seat (works well for polishing and waxing)

Extra Bright Lights (if you can see it, you can’t wax it)

Gloves- Plastic and mechanics style

Lift – awesome to on

Floor Jack and tools

There’s a list of most of the supplies I use on a daily basis, and I hope this gives you some ideas to improve your own collection of detailing supplies. The one thing that I found that really works well is some good music and your favorite beverage to make the job more pleasurable. Wax on.