

Door pockets for a Morris 8 Tourer

This is the passenger door inside pocket fixed in position. It looks



The first photo shows the door card which came with one of my cars, which gave me the position, the size and the shape of the door pocket.

The material at the back of the vinyl was a sort of a composite compound that wouldn't support a tight elastic band. So I used 3mm ply instead.



The second photo shows where I cut the shape of the outside and the pocket out with a jig saw and sanded the edges smooth. I marked out where all the locks and screws were to go and drilled them all.

This is the inside of the driver's door. On the outside I glued 5mm foam then I glued the cream vinyl. The inside shows how I've cut and glued the vinyl to the ply.



Photo no 3; here I've marked on the face of the vinyl at 50mm intervals on the bottom and 10, 32 and 10mm down from the top.



Photo no 4. I've crimped or gathered the bottom of the vinyl by folding over the vinyl at the 50 mm intervals.





No 5. This is the underside of the pocket taking shape with the gathering on the right and the pocket to take the elastic on the left. I made the pocket 32 mm wide to take a 25 mm flat elastic band. The elastic band ends are sewn over a piece of tie wire with a hook in the end.



No 6. I've temporarily stapled the bottom in a straight line. Above it I've marked in biro a line of the shape of the door pocket. Over this is placed and sewn a piece of vinyl.



No 7. I've sewn over the biro mark to the shape of the door shape.



No 8, I've sewn the backing to the face piece and you can see the elastic band protruding from the top pocket with the hooked wire end.



No 9. Here is the final part from the contorted mess before. All stapled onto the back of the door card ply. Nice and neat, now onto the next one.

The finished product. It looks just the way I wanted it to look. We are very happy the way it turned out. It was a couple of days work. If I can do it, so can you. I'm a joiner by trade, not an upholsterer. I had a go; it's not rocket science as they say.

Cheers Jim Robertson (Toowoomba)