

V8 Style Chrome Trim Ring Installation Instructions

NOTE: This installation requires modification to the front bumper of your Touareg. If you are unsure about cutting into your bumper, please do not attempt this installation. Web Inception and TregCentral.com are not responsible for any damage to your vehicle.



1. Remove your grill as described in the V10 Chrome Grill instructions located at <http://www.tregcentral.com/downloads/VW-CGRins.pdf>.
2. Remove your front license plate and bracket, if your Touareg is equipped with one.
3. Locate the full triangles of the lower crosshatch grate. They are located all around the outside of the grate. Use a flathead screwdriver to push firmly on the full triangles, which will dislodge the grate from the front bumper. Once you have released the grate, you can push it back into the bumper and remove it through the bumper or the grill hole.





4. Use a small saw or Dremel tool to cut the center bar of the bumper off. Trim the bumper until you can no longer feel any rise in the molding that was originally part of the bar you cut off. Test fit the chrome ring and make sure it will fit flush into the bumper.



5. Clean the area around the remaining bumper hole with rubbing alcohol or other cleaning solution. This will help the chrome ring adhesive to stick better.



6. Test fit the new grate and chrome ring together without actually connecting them together. Take note of how the tabs fit together. The smooth curved tabs on the outsides of the grate point toward the front of the vehicle. There is a set of tabs that will interlock the ring to the grate, and another set of tabs on the grate that will lock into the inside of the bumper.



7. Expose the adhesive tape around the front edge of the chrome ring.
8. Insert the chrome ring into the bumper. Press it firmly to the bumper for a few minutes to help the adhesive bond to the bumper. Four hands may help in this step. The top and bottom may not hold, but that's fine. Make sure the sides stick well.
9. Insert the grate into the bumper. There is a set of tall tabs at the top of the grate that will have to seat correctly before the grate will rest up against the inside of the bumper, where it is ready to install. Use one hand in front and behind the grate to manipulate it until its flush against the inside of the bumper.

10. Pressing the grate into place takes patience and care. The thin ribs of the grate can be easily broken with too much pressure. The technique I found to work best was to press the ring from the front and the grate from the back to slowly work the tabs together. Start at the bottom in the middle and press them together gently, and not completely. You will want to work your way around the tabs a few times gently fitting them together.



Use a small flathead screwdriver on the 2 tabs on each side as these tabs will appear to not be wide enough to fit into the slots in the grate. Pressing these tabs outward while pressing the grate forward from the back will allow the tabs to seat correctly. Don't push too hard with the screwdriver so you do not break the chrome tabs.

Once all the tabs are beginning to seat, work your way around the grate and ring pressing them together. You may need to use some pressure on the painted part of the bumper when manipulating the center part of the grate. As the grate and ring come together, you will also be pressing the other set of tabs that holds the grate to the inside of the bumper into place.



The rim of the grate will seat inside the back edge of the chrome ring when the two are seated together fully. The sandwich effect will also bring the top and bottom of the ring tightly to the outside of the bumper, if they didn't stick well initially.



11. Once you are satisfied that the ring and grate are installed, replace the grill and the license plate.

