



Autoagraphy Car Care Product Comparison

Common Off the shelf products VS. What actually cleans and protects your investment

<u>Category</u>	<u>Common Store Product</u>	<u>Brand/Company Product</u>	<u>Why It's Harmful</u>	<u>Autoagraphy Recommended Alternative</u>	<u>Benefits</u>
Car Wash Soap	Dawn Dish Soap / All-Purpose Cleaner	Procter & Gamble	Strips wax, coatings, and dries paint and trim.	Gtechniq W1 G-Wash or Koch-Chemie Gentle Snow Foam	pH-neutral, coating-safe, adds lubrication for swirl-free washing.
Tire & Wheel Cleaner	Acid Wheel Cleaner / Bleche-Wite	Black Magic / Westley's	Harsh acids corrode wheel finishes, dry tire rubber.	Gtechniq W6 Iron Remover or P&S Brake Buster	Dissolves iron safely without damaging coatings or wheels.
Interior Cleaner	Armor All Original / Multi-Surface Cleaner	Armor All	Silicone-heavy formula leaves greasy residue, attracts dust.	Gtechniq I2 Tri-Clean or P&S Xpress Interior Cleaner	Antimicrobial, matte finish, no residue — safe for all surfaces.
Quick Detail Spray	Turtle Wax Hybrid / Meguiar's Quick Detailer	Turtle Wax / Meguiar's	Silicone-based fillers cause smears, weaken coatings.	Gtechniq Quick Detailer or P&S Bead Maker	Adds gloss safely, compatible with ceramic coatings.
Leather Conditioner	Meguiar's Leather Wipes / Lexol	Meguiar's / Lexol	Petroleum and alcohol content dries leather and causes cracking.	Gtechniq L1 Leather Guard or Colourlock Leather Shield	UV protection, maintains OEM finish, repels dyes and dirt.

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Glass Cleaner	Windex / Household Glass Cleaner	SC Johnson	Contains ammonia; can damage tint and soft trim.	Gtechniq G6 Perfect Glass	Tint-safe, streak-free, coating-friendly.
Polish / Compound	Turtle Wax Polishing Compound	Turtle Wax	Aggressive abrasives create micro-marring on modern clear coat.	Gyeon CanCoat EVO / Q ² Wax, CarPro Hydro2 Lite / Reload, 3D Poxy / Speed	Long lasting gloss, depth, slickness and even some UV-resistant
Paint Protectant / Wax	Meguiar's Liquid Wax / Spray Wax	Meguiar's Cleaner (A12), Nu Finish, Chemical Guys, Mother's	Silicone-heavy, Petroleum-based, synthetic gloss or polymers	Gtechniq C2V3 Liquid Crystal or Halo Flexible Film Coating	True hydrophobic layer, extends coating life.
Trim & Plastic Restorer	Mothers Back-to-Black / Armor All Original	Mothers or Armor All	Petroleum oils fade quickly, attract dust and dirt, dries out plastics.	Gtechniq C4 Permanent Trim Restorer, Gyeon Trim, CarPro DLUX Plastic	Long-lasting UV protection, restores OEM black finish and/or seals plastics.

Amanda's Pro Tip:

Using the wrong product once won't destroy your car, but repeated use of harsh, household, or silicone-based products breaks down protection layers over time. Stick with pH-neutral, coating-safe products to maintain your investment between details.