DeLorean Travel Kit by Bill Ballard



As every DeLorean owner knows there is not a lot of storage space within the trunk of your DeLorean. So how do you make the best of what is available?

I don't know about everybody else's DeLorean spare tire but mine is 25 years old. There is no way I would put it on the car and drive it, it may work and then it may come apart. So let's take the spare tire out of the car, if you own a DeLorean you know if you get a flat tire the passenger has to walk. My wife told me if she walks don't come home! With the spare tire out you have an incredible amount of storage space. You will be surprised as how much can fit in the trunk when the spare tire is removed.

I have put together [a list] of what I take in my DeLorean when I go on a Road Trip. First let's define a Road Trip. To me that would be a trip that I will be traveling over 100 miles or more.

I have found that Lamb's law will always apply when you and your other DeLorean owner friends take off for a Sunday afternoon drive. "It's better to have it and not need it than need it, and not have it". Trust me, from experience that will be the time somebody will break down.

Items you should have in you kit when you travel near or far.

- 1. Small 2 ton floor jack
- 2. Small 4 way lug wrench
- **3.** Small air compressor that works form battery, you should have it set up so you can run it direct from the cars battery and not the cigarette lighter.
- 4. Tire plug repair kit
- 5. Box of all sizes of fuses
- 6. Test light
- 7. Flat head and Philips screwdrivers
- 8. 5 & 8 inch crescent wrenches
- 9. A knife
- 10.Metric Allen head wrench set
- 11.Side cutters
- 12.Expandable magnet
- 13.Small flash light
- **14**. Three different sizes butt splice connections
 - 10 to 12 and 12 to 14
 - At least 12" of 12 and 14 gage wire
- 15.Wire crimper
- **16.**Set of metric wrenches 6mm to 22mm if you can. However in most cases 9mm to 19mm should do the trick.
- **17.** Jumper cables (*remember not to jump your car from the battery*)
- 18. Metric socket set with 4" and 8" extensions
- **19.** A jump box is always nice to have and will fit in the trunk
- 20.Don't for get a roll of duck tape
- 21.A set of hose clamps
- 22.Ann alternator and A/C belt
- 23. There are several universal radiator hoses on the market
- 24.A tube of black Silicone



As you can see I can take my complete tool kit with me and still have some room left. However even with all these things, the one thing you need, you will not have with you. I know this sounds like a lot of stuff to put in the trunk but as you can see in the pictures there really is a lot of room.

The best information I can give is you know your DeLorean better than anyone else so you can decide what you need to take with you. One of the nice things about belonging to this club is that there is help no further than a phone call away. If you have a problem or just need a bit of information we are all there to help.

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