

**Tech Tip**

How to refurbish your car's plastic headlights.

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This is what I started with, after 4 years of sun on my 2004 Grand Prix GTP. I can purchase new aftermarket headlights, but they cost \$160.00 a pair.



Materials used: 320 grit wet/dry sand paper, grey scotch bright pad, bucket of water and some good automotive gloss clear paint. You might have this laying around the garage like I did, so I spent \$0.00.



I first wet sanded the whole headlight (about 15-20 min.) on each headlight to remove all the crusty baked on clear coat, and then finished with the grey scotch bright pad. I then wiped them off with water with a little bit of liquid dawn detergent.



Then sprayed with clear coat and let dry. Now the driver's side still had a little bit of hazing on the inside, but still looks much better, about 85-90%.



The passenger side came out looking great! See you soon and Keep Driving Pontiac Excitement! PS – My next tech article will be on fixing the inside door panel crack in your 4<sup>th</sup> Gen. Trans Am.