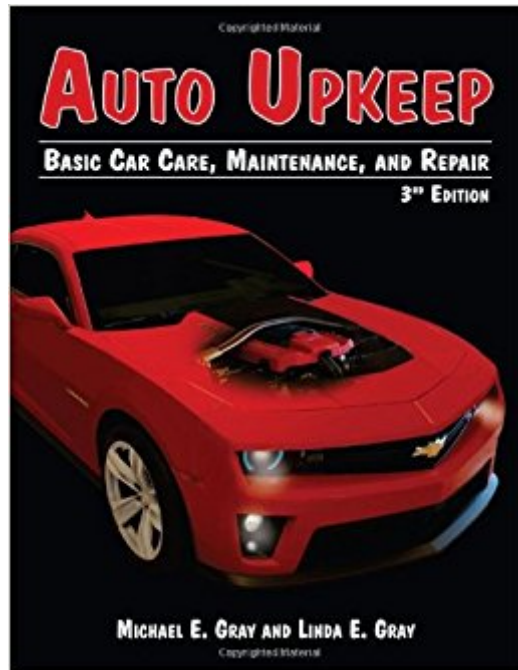




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# Auto Upkeep: Basic Car Care, Maintenance, And Repair



## Synopsis

This 3rd Edition (c) 2013 has been updated and is now in FULL COLOR! Auto Upkeep is an introductory automotive book that provides the fundamental knowledge and experience in owning and maintaining an automobile. From choosing an insurance policy to performing basic maintenance and repair, Auto Upkeep is the do-it-yourself automotive guide for the driver in you. Auto Upkeep helps keep you safe and your vehicle reliable by providing easy-to-follow information with detailed pictures and drawings. Discover how to choose a quality repair facility, buy a car, handle roadside emergencies, diagnose common problems, and communicate effectively with technicians all while saving money. For the full experience, purchase the Auto Upkeep textbook and workbook.

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1. Introduction and How Cars Work
2. Buying an Automobile
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4. Repair Facilities
5. Safety Around the Automobile
6. Basic Tools
7. Auto Care and Cleaning
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9. Electrical System
10. Lubrication System
11. Fuel System
12. Cooling System and Climate Control
13. Ignition System
14. Suspension, Steering, and Tires
15. Braking System
16. Drivetrain
17. Exhaust and Emission System
18. Alternative Fuels and Designs
19. Automotive Accessories
20. Common Problems and Roadside Emergencies

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This handy guide to car ownership and maintenance explains the basics for consumers, from purchasing a vehicle to common problems, repairs, and safety advice. Plenty of illustrations and color photographs lead the reader through car parts, tools, and automotive systems. There is also an appendix listing lessons on the free companion online workbook, featuring activities such as calculating auto expenses, checking fluid levels, and installing spark plugs. Straightforward and attractive, this book will appeal to all types of car owners, from the grease monkey to the clueless. Public libraries will want a copy (or two) of this updated edition on the shelf. --Rebecca Vnuk --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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Great book! Does a superb job of explaining the basics of how cars work and includes information on new technologies, such as fuel cells and electric. The writing is clear and the information is to the point. It also includes a lot of practical advice.

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The book covers very basics of car maintenance and pays close attention to the safety. It's well written with a lot of helpful illustrations. As a nice bonus it provides e.g. price ranges of parts, practical tips etc.

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