

MR2 Project Car

Posted by jiffy - 2016/05/08 11:45

Hi,

I'd like to get an MR2 Rev 3 onwards as a project car. I would like to generate reasonable power (up to 300Bhp) and have time to work on the car without needing to drive it daily.

So, my main question is, can I get an NA car and do the work to fit a turbo onto it or should I get a turbo car to start with? NA cars are much cheaper and more readily available.

Thanks.

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Re: MR2 Project Car

Posted by Tsporter - 2016/05/08 21:44

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Posted by jiffy - 2016/05/10 10:52

In theory yes, I've never done it but that's part of the appeal. I get to design and do it all myself. What I really should know is are the internals of the NA car the same as the Turbo or are the pistons, crank etc tougher?

I know I'll have to get custom/replacement manifolds for inlet and exhaust, fit an intercooler somewhere, put a standalone ECU, uprate the fuel pump and put a variable flow one, put a boost controller etc etc.

Is that all possible with an NA engine or would I be making a decent engine into an unreliable one?

Also, has anyone done any engine swaps on them? Put an STI or V6 into them? Just curious on that??

Thanks.

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Posted by Quandry - 2016/05/10 13:43

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There's some guys in the UK who have done swaps. Makes for interesting reading! take a look here:
<http://www.twobrutal.co.uk/forum/forum.php>

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