

Armorcord BJ8 Boot

Subject: Re: Boot Armacord

Hi Charlie,

The pictures att'd show how it should be finished. The upper Armacord panel carries out to a raw edge. They weren't worried about gaining access to the boot lid hinge bolts once the Armacord was installed. Covering those access holes helps to seal off the boot area from the interior.

The upper edge of the rear Armacord on a BJ8 will (usually) fall just under the rear hoop edge, and come out around the two harness clips. I don't usually apply a lot of glue to this piece in case I need to get to wiring, etc. I just apply enough down into the curve of the shroud to keep this piece in place. Notches are usually required to clear the gas tank hold down straps and the middle strut.

Rich

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Rich,

Would you be willing to help me out with a few questions about installing the Armacord in the boot of a BJ8?

I'm concerned about the large more-or-less rectangular piece of Armacord that covers the vertical panel of the boot that separates the boot from the cockpit.

If you look carefully at the picture of the blue car attached you'll see that the top edge of the Armacord is bound and comes right to the edge of top of the boot on the surface parallel to the ground. I know that this car is restored rather than original, but it is a very well done restoration.

In my Heritage kit, the top edge of that piece is not bound and installing it as was done on the blue car would expose an unattractive jute edge along the top of the boot. It would also cover the holes that allow access to the boot lid hinge bolts. The holes are shown in the attached picture of my green car.

This makes me wonder if the upper Armacord edge should actually be where the panel with the bolt access holes bends downward at 45 degrees or so (the section with the obvious spot welds in the picture). That would make the raw edge less obvious and leave access to the hinge bolts.

I have the same question about the location of the upper edge of the rear-most Armacord piece that runs horizontally across the car. In my kit the upper edge and sides are bound, and the bottom edge tucks under the gas tank. Does upper the edge fall behind the lip of the boot lid, or somewhere below it?

Thanks, Rich. I really appreciate any advice you have to offer on these details.

Charlie







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