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MODELS COVERED: 2001 THROUGH 2003

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Introduction to Your Haynes Repair Manual

This Haynes Repair Manual provides comprehensive instructions and detailed information for the maintenance and repair of Chrysler PT Cruiser models manufactured between 2001 and 2003. It is designed to assist both the novice and experienced mechanic in performing various tasks, from routine servicing to complex engine overhauls.

The manual is based on a complete vehicle teardown, ensuring that all procedures are derived from practical, hands-on experience using commonly available tools. It includes:

- **Step-by-step procedures** linked to hundreds of easy-to-follow photos and illustrations.
- A **complete troubleshooting section** to help identify specific problems.
- **Haynes tips** offering valuable shortcuts to simplify tasks and eliminate the need for specialized tools.
- Important **Notes, Cautions, and Warnings** for the home mechanic.
- A section on **color spark plug diagnosis**.
- An **easy-to-use index** for quick reference.

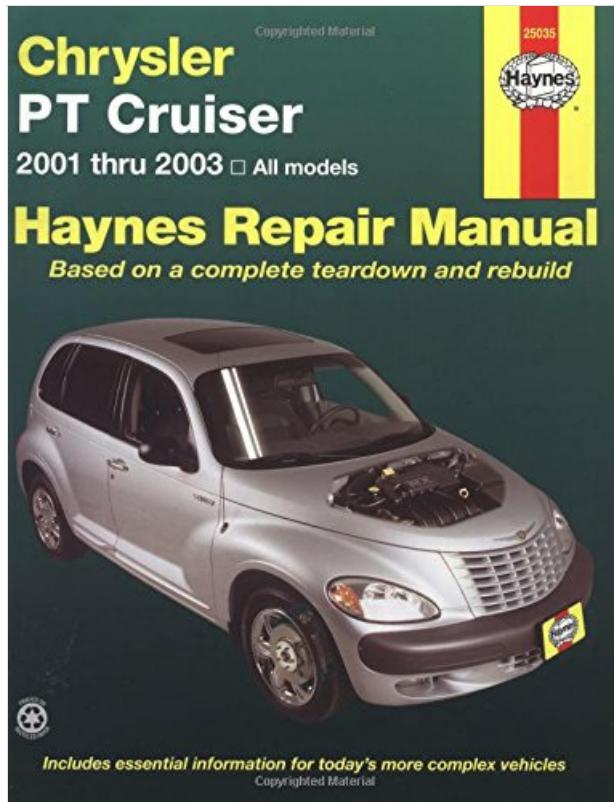


Image: Front cover of the Haynes Repair Manual, showing the title and a graphic of a PT Cruiser.

Routine Maintenance and Tune-up Procedures

Regular maintenance is crucial for the longevity and optimal performance of your Chrysler PT Cruiser. This section details all necessary routine maintenance tasks and tune-up procedures, ensuring your vehicle remains in top condition.

- Oil and filter changes
- Fluid level checks and top-ups
- Tire rotation and pressure checks
- Brake system inspections
- Spark plug replacement and inspection
- Air filter and fuel filter replacement
- Belt and hose inspections
- General lubrication points

Detailed Repair Instructions

This manual provides in-depth repair instructions for various vehicle systems. Each procedure is accompanied by clear illustrations and photographs to guide you through the process.

Engine Repair

Covers all aspects of engine repair, including cylinder head removal and installation, timing belt/chain procedures, and engine block servicing.

Cooling and Heating Systems

Instructions for maintaining and repairing the radiator, water pump, thermostat, heater core, and associated components.

Air Conditioning

Guidance on servicing and troubleshooting the air conditioning system, including compressor, condenser, and evaporator components.

Fuel and Exhaust Systems

Detailed procedures for fuel pump replacement, injector servicing, exhaust system repair, and catalytic converter information.

Emissions Control

Information on the various emissions control components and their maintenance to ensure compliance with environmental standards.

Ignition System

Covers ignition coils, spark plugs, and other related components for proper engine ignition.

Brakes

Comprehensive instructions for disc and drum brake systems, including pad/shoe replacement, caliper servicing, and brake fluid bleeding.

Suspension and Steering

Guidance on shock absorbers, struts, control arms, power steering system, and wheel alignment considerations.

Electrical Systems and Wiring Diagrams

Detailed information on the vehicle's electrical components, including alternator, starter, battery, and fuses. Complete wiring diagrams are included to aid in electrical troubleshooting.



Image: Back cover of the manual, illustrating example pages with diagrams and step-by-step instructions, alongside a list of manual features.

Troubleshooting Guide

A dedicated troubleshooting section is included to help diagnose common problems. This section provides systematic approaches to identify the root cause of various vehicle malfunctions, from engine issues to electrical faults. Utilize the provided flowcharts and diagnostic tables to pinpoint problems efficiently.

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Important Notes and Disclaimer

While this manual provides comprehensive instructions, vehicle repair can be complex and potentially dangerous. Always exercise caution and use appropriate safety equipment. If you are unsure about any procedure, it is recommended to consult with a qualified mechanic. The publisher and authors are not responsible for any damage or injury resulting from the use or misuse of the information contained herein.

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