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Good Jeep/Bad Jeep

Willys MB



Things to note:

- Grill – 9 slots
- Combat rims
- Rear axle hub
- Height of windshield
- Seats
- Pioneer tools

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CJ2A Conversion:



Things to note good:

- Correct grill
- Correct early war rims
- Correct body/tub – no gas filler by pioneer tools
- Correct windshield
- Correct early war hood blocks for the windshield

Things to note not so good:

- Wrong black out lights on front (below headlights)
- Rear axle is cj2a type

Overall, a very acceptable conversion (without seeing the inside)

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Some unacceptable conversions:



Things to note (forget the desert camo color – if doing Brit N.Afr. it's okay)

- Wrong front grill (7 slots vs. 9 slots, larger protruding headlights, blackout lights)
- Gas filler neck on side panel
- Wrong front axle (simply remove the locking hubs and it's acceptable)
- Wrong rear axle
- Wrong seats.
- Wrong windshield
- CJ2a rims (called slotted rims). By themselves could be overlooked but combined with the rest of the package, FAIL!

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Another example:



Things to note:

- Wrong bridging plate
- Wrong axles (again, take off the locking hub on the front and it's passable.)
- Wrong front grill (slots, headlights mainly)
- Wrong windshield
- Gas filler neck on the side panel
- Wrong seats

Based on the grill alone, this Jeep does not pass inspection

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Proper rear panel for Jeep:



- Proper Bumperettes in the proper “up facing” configuration, Good markings on the bumperettes, Jerry can bracket, proper jerry can and one of two types of spare tire mount (3 stud)
- Pintle, trailer receptacle, proper placement of the reflectors and correct taillights.
- NO TAILGATE



- Shipping label on passenger side
- Winter top
- Note the “deep mud exhaust” – different from the under passenger exhaust. Still correct.

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- Instrument layout. 2 panel lights. L – R, B-O driving light switch, master light switch, choke, ignition switch, throttle, panel light switch, instrument cluster, handbrake, glove box with data plates.
- Smooth wheel well panels, smooth flooring, low-back seats, foot rests.



- Single light over instrument cluster, location of keyed ignition
- Grab handle instead of glove box
- WILLYS stamped windshield with tall panel
- High-back seats, raised floor of passenger seat (hidden tool box under seat)
- Ridges on wheel well panels.
- Raised floor for shifter tower & transfer case selectors for the different transmission (T-90 vs the military T-84)

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- Note tailgate behind jerry can.
- Ridged rear floorboard and wheel well panels
- High seatbacks
- Side gas filler neck.