



## Care Guide: Cloth Convertible Top

Thanks for choosing our auto upholstery shop to install your new cloth convertible top. Below are some tips from The Haartz Corporation, the world's leading manufacturer of convertible topping, on how to keep your top looking great.

### Clean Your Top Regularly

Regular hand washing will enhance the beauty and life of your cloth top, and make successive cleanings easier. Here's how to do it:

1. Vacuum the top with a brush attachment to remove bird and tree droppings, as well as other loose particles.
2. Rinse the top thoroughly with lukewarm water to ensure no particles remain.
3. After rinsing, apply RAGGTOPP™ Cleaner evenly over the entire top. Mixing non-detergent soap with lukewarm water also works, but it's not as effective.
4. Allow the cleaner to remain on the surface of the top for 10 to 20 minutes (preferably in shade or on an overcast day where evaporation is slower) and then scrub the top gently with a soft nylon brush or terry cloth rag.
5. Rinse thoroughly with lukewarm water until no remaining soap foam is observed.
6. Allow the top to air dry.

For extremely soiled tops, mix a solution of ½ cup of standard household bleach and ¼ cup of RAGGTOPP™ Cleaner per gallon of water. Soak the top in this solution for 20 minutes and scrub lightly. Afterwards, rinse thoroughly. (Do not use this method regularly, as the bleach could deteriorate seam threads and leave streak marks on paint and chrome.)

Although Haartz recommends hand washing, most automatic car washes will not harm your cloth top. However, it's better to patronize washes that use water jets and hanging clothes over those equipped with heavy barrel brushes. The former will be gentler on your top.

### Protect Your Top from the Elements

To protect and preserve the beauty of your cloth top, follow the cleaning process with an application of Raggtopp™ Protectant. This will shield your top from harmful UV rays and repel dust, grease, airborne pollutants and mildew. Here's how to do it:

1. Spray the protectant evenly over the entire top.
2. Wipe dry with a clean cotton cloth.

Do not use top cleaners or conditioners containing silicones, organic solvents, petroleum distillates or plasticizers, as these may permanently harm the top.

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