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SCIENTIFICALLY SPOTLESS

Ionic Clean + H₂O Chemistry = Clean Rigs

THE IONIC CLEAN IS A REMARKABLE CARWASH-BRUSH SYSTEM — BUT WE HAVE TO ADMIT, WE WERE A BIT SKEPTICAL AT FIRST.

The Ionic Clean promised to get our rigs spot- and streak-free clean using nothing but filtered water and its brush. No soap. No towels. And, it claimed to leave an ionic charge to help repel dust after washing.

Sounded too good to be true? Turns out we were wrong. The Ionic Clean *is* outstanding in almost every aspect.

Its brilliance starts with the assembling. The set-up is as easy as connecting a garden hose to the filter and the filter to the brush. Though the instructions say to use a wrench, we were able to assemble the Ionic Clean completely tool-free.

The operation is just as user-friendly. Twist the filter's knob to regular water and rinse/scrub your ride using the Ionic Clean's brush, which has a built-in spray nozzle. Then turn the knob to de-ionized water and watch the magic happen.

The magic is actually science. All water — be it rain, creek, or tap water — contains contaminants. When H₂O dries on your rig, the contaminants stay behind, leaving streaks and spots that collect dust and dirt. So the de-ionized water from the brush bonds with the ionic particles in the grime and removes it when washed away.

OK, so it's not quite *that* easy.

We still had to scrub our fenders and rinse repeatedly with the brush. But it's still surprising to see how clean our rig got using this scientific principle — and how quickly we saw results using only a brush and filtered water (e.g. we washed three moderately dirty vehicles in under an hour).

Will the Ionic Clean be this magical after a weekend of mud-bogging? Of course not, as any rig with layers of caked-on muck will first require a high-pressured hose, soap, and hand scouring. (The cool thing is that an optional soap injector is available for the Ionic Clean.) Still, the Ionic Clean is certainly an impressive piece of car-care maintenance and could make your dirty trail-runner or dusty rock-crawler shine in no time. **4WD**



PROS

- **Effective** Easily removes grime, dust, tree sap, and bird poop
- **Fast** Dramatically reduces cleaning time
- **No Towels? No Problem** Eliminates the need to dry
- **Versatile** Can also clean homes, boats, motorcycles, etc.
- **Green Friendly** No soap means no cleaning chemicals in your landscaping, or the earth

CONS

- **Heft** The filter tank is a little heftier than expected
- **Soft** The brush's bristles are softer than we'd like
- **Low- to Mid-Duty** Not enough pressure to blast a heavy-duty mud-bogger clean on a first try

GRADE: A-

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