



HIT THE FLOOR

RACEDAY'S CONCRETE COVERING

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We were looking for a nice flooring upgrade in our shop that could take the daily pounding of our tech articles and bike building, but didn't want something that was over complicated or took a masters degree in architecture to install. After doing some major online searching and weighing of options, the staff decided the best course of action would be to go with a slew of RaceDay flooring tiles. RaceDay flooring is constructed of a flexible G-Floor PVC vinyl by Better Life Technologies. The tiles are meant to be used on garage and shop floors and are constructed with a handy peel-and-stick backing that lets the modular flooring conform to low spots in the concrete. The tiles are available in 12x12 or 24x24-inch tiles in packs of 10 and come in 12 different mix-and-match colors.

After spending the good part of the day cleaning the floor for installation, then measuring, cutting, and installing the 24x24-inch tiles, we found the thickness of these durable vinyl squares did a great job of hiding those pesky cracks, stains, and other imperfections that all poured concrete and garage floors possess. The tiles also act as both a floor cushion as well as a fluid and vapor barrier, so liquids, such as oil and gas, don't leak down into the porous flooring as before, which is a great thing since we have all sorts of old and leaking V-twin-powered machines in our stable

If you are looking for a hassle-free garage floor upgrade, we highly suggest using these diamond plate-looking crack and peel floor tiles to beautify your workspace or man cave. *HB*



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1 OIL FILTER WRENCH

Using rubber bands or automotive wrenches to get your oil filter off is a pain in the ass and it damages the filter. Motorcycle-specific filter tools are plentiful and cheap.



2 TORX AND ALLEN WRENCHES

Due to advanced torque specs, for the past decade or so bikes have been employing both Torx and Allen bolts. In short; you can't work on your bike without owning these.



3 THREAD LOCKER

We all know V-twin motorcycles shake like hell. If you don't use red and blue thread locker where needed, shit is going to fall off of your bike when you least expect it.



4 SOLDERING IRON

Wiring problems always arise on motorcycles, so it's always handy to have a cheap soldering iron stowed away for when the lights go out.



5 10MM 12-POINT WRENCH

Any newer Harley uses 10mm 12-point metric bolts to secure the calipers to the bike. Do yourself a favor and add either a socket or open-end wrench to your toolbox before you ever need it.



6 MAAP TORCH

All bikes come slathered with thread locker and by adding a little heat via this Bernz-o-Matic torch, those frozen nuts and bolts will break free in no time.



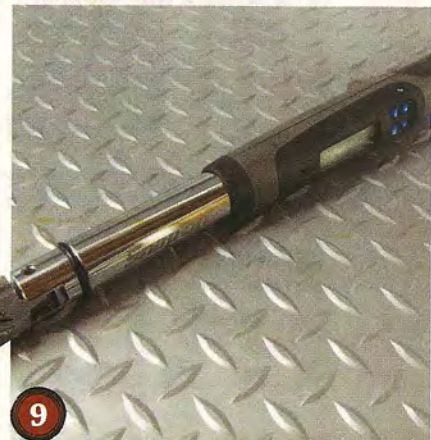
7 SPARE FUSES

When your bike won't start or your lights go out, always look to the fuses first. Fuses are cheap insurance and always come in handy.



8 TEST LIGHT

When trying to figure out what wire goes where or why something isn't getting an electrical charge to it, instead of guessing, get a test light and find out correctly.



9 TORQUE WRENCH

Getting proper torque is much more than just tightening down a nut or bolt. It ensures that the proper amount of tension is being applied to the fastener, yet doesn't harm either the bolt or what it is being threaded into. Shearing bolts due to brute force is an expensive venture.



10 BIKE JACK

A simple \$100 bike jack can keep your bike from falling over on you while wrenching on it. It also comes in handy when cleaning the bike since you can get the wheels off of the ground and spin them around.