1994-1998 Ford Mustang - Engine Air Filter

1994-1998 Ford Mustang | Easy | 10-20 minutes | $20 DIY

TOOLS
Rag or shop vacuum Gloves

PARTS
Engine air filter $20.00

STEPS

1. **Prep and locate the air box - Park level, brake set, engine off. Find the black airbox at** the front corner of the bay, snorkel running toward the grille, feeding the 3.8L V6 or 4.6L V8. Confirm the new filter matches the old one; the V6 and V8 boxes differ.
2. **Open the air filter housing - Set the cover aside safely. Check the lid’s seal: a** deteriorated or flattened one is worth replacing, since a tired seal is the most common way unfiltered air sneaks past.
3. **Remove the old filter - Lift the old filter out, noting which way it sat. Dark, packed** pleats confirm it was overdue. Keep everything clear of the intake opening downstream.
4. **Install the new filter - Drop the new filter in without crimping its edges - pinched** edges tear the media and open a bypass path, especially punishing on the 4.6L’s internals. Confirm the seal is even all around.
5. **Reseal and verify - Set the cover back on squarely and engage both clamps - each should** snap shut with firm tension. Confirm the intake snorkel and duct connections are seated.

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