2023-2026 Toyota GR Corolla - Brake Pad Replacement

2023-2026 Toyota GR Corolla | Advanced | 1-3 hours | $205 DIY

TOOLS

Floor jack, rated jack stands, and wheel chocks Lug wrench and calibrated torque wrench Brake piston compressor or suitable spreader Socket set, wire brush, brake cleaner, gloves, and eye protection

PARTS

Front or rear brake pad set for 2023-2026 Toyota GR Corolla; verify axle, brake package, and VIN fitment $180.00
Replacement pad hardware or wear sensor only if the kit requires it $25.00

STEPS

1. **Confirm the GR fixed-caliper front brake package - GR Corolla (E210) FRONT axle - not a** regular Corolla. Fixed opposed 4-piston Advics calipers, factory slotted rotors - no guide pins. Order GR-specific pads. Inspect pad thickness; check slotted rotor faces for scoring or heat cracks.
2. **Park, chock, loosen lugs, and lift safely - Park level; Park; brake set. Chock the rear** wheels. Break the front lugs loose on the ground; jack the front; lower onto stands. Remove the lugs and wheel. Shake car to confirm stability - never rely on the jack alone.
3. **Remove the pad retention hardware - caliper stays on - For a pad-only swap you do NOT** unbolt the caliper. Remove the retention hardware; slide the pads out. Track every piece and its orientation. Check for leaks and each dust boot - a torn boot means rebuild or replacement.
4. **Inspect the pads, rotors, and pistons - Compare the old pads side to side: uneven** inner/outer wear - or leading/trailing pistons - points to a sticking piston. Check slotted rotors for scoring, heat cracks, and thickness. Some slotted rotors are directional - mark each sid...
5. **Retract all four pistons evenly; install new pads - Retract the pistons evenly - use the** old pad across the pistons; compress with a C-clamp, each side in turn, keeping pistons square. Watch the reservoir. Slide the new pads in; reinstall the retention hardware as it came out.
6. **Reinstall the wheel; torque to spec - Reinstall the front wheel: hand-start every lug** nut; lower the car; star-pattern torque to factory spec. If you unbolted the caliper: commonly cited 74 ft-lbs, but confirm in your service info. Verify the hose routing is natural with no tw...
7. **Pump the pedal, bed the pads, and test drive - Pump pedal until firm - first push will** travel. Bedding: follow the pad maker’s procedure; never hold a hard stop on hot pads. Test-drive for powerful, straight, fade-free stops; no pull, vibration, or noise; recheck lug torque after 50...

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