2018-2024 Volkswagen Tiguan - Engine Air Filter

2018-2024 Volkswagen Tiguan | Easy | 15-20 minutes | $35 DIY

TOOLS

T25 Torx bit Ratchet Microfiber cloth Gloves (optional)

PARTS

Engine air filter for 2018-2024 Volkswagen Tiguan; verify engine, housing shape, and VIN fitment $35.00

STEPS

1. **Pop the hood - Park level, kill the engine, and let it cool - the turbo sits close by and** stays hot. Set the new filter somewhere clean, and give yourself elbow room around the hoses on the housing.
2. **Disconnect the breather and vacuum hoses - Pull the crankcase breather hose off its** fitting - wiggle side to side rather than hauling straight, because the plastic nipple snaps if forced. Pull the small vacuum hose off its port the same way. Lay both aside where they won't pick u...
3. **Back out the T25 screws and open the box - The lid is held by Torx T25 screws around its** edge - loosen them with a T25 bit on a ratchet; you don't have to take them all the way out. Once loose, the lid lifts free.
4. **Clean the housing and cover the intake - The lower housing holds dust, sand, and maybe a** leaf or two. Wipe it with a damp microfiber cloth, paying attention to the rim where the filter's seal sits.
5. **Seat the new filter - Make sure the rubber sealing edge sits flat and tight against the** housing rim all the way around - the seal edge is what keeps dirty air from bypassing the media. Press evenly; it should sit without rocking or gaps.
6. **Close the lid - Set the lid back on and run the T25 screws down evenly until just snug -** they bite into plastic, so stop when you feel resistance. Give each a gentle tug to confirm.
7. **Fire it up and check for a rough idle - Start the engine and idle. It should idle smooth** with no check-engine light - a forgotten vacuum hose shows up immediately as a rough idle or a light. Close the hood and take a short spin; power should feel normal.

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