

Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2012/01/16 21:37

Hey guys,

I just wrote up a review for the Meister R coilovers which can be found at the following link to a new blog I am starting :-)

I tried posting pics here but failed horrible on the multiple tries I gave it :blush:

Anyways its been a long time coming so here ya go and please give me feedback and such. I am very new to this and also the Deuces so be gentle hehe

<http://insouciance-ramblings.blogspot.com/>

Oh and remeber there is a club discount on these ;)

Thanks,
Baz

Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by SteveH - 2012/01/17 07:22

That is a really nice review Barry, very detailed. I have a similar setup to what you had previously (black Billies, Apex springs). So you say that you are currently on 6 settings from the softest? Would you find the ride harder, softer or the same as your prev. setup?

Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2012/01/17 09:04

Hey,

The coilovers on there current settings are as good if not better than the setup I came from , note that had 15 levels of adjustment while its actually 32 (mixed up coilovers that I was contemplating buying). I was afraid it would get harder when I was buying as did my father both we have both been impressed with the overall ride quality. I havent played with the softer settings yet but I think they would be very comfie (as far as coils go). The biggest thing is that the car just feels much more planted and secure even on the roads of west cork!

The last thing I noticed after putting on the coilovers is that while more bumps can be registers and imperfections in the road this doesnt translate to your back. The coilovers seem to let you know yes there was a bump there but I can damp that no problem haha.

I will be playing with them over the coming two weekends and will try out the softer and harder settings. think for Dublin and the better roads of Ireland could definetly go harder with no sacrifice to comfort. Will update you once I have learned more :-)

Glad you enjoyed it and any suggestions for improvement for future write ups welcome.

Baz

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by Spidey - 2012/01/17 09:14

Thanks for the write-up / feedback on these :yes:

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2012/01/17 09:18

No problem at all happy to be of service :laugh:

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by Quandry - 2012/01/17 09:45

Hi Baz,

Good work and glad the upgrade went well for you.

Here's a how to on adding pictures online here:

<http://www.mr2.ie/mr2-forum/29-photography/16234-how-to-upload-pictures-via-imageshackus>

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by SteveH - 2012/01/17 14:27

These are looking more and more promising.....

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2012/01/17 14:37

Whereabouts are you located? As I can give you a spin in the car to really show you what they are like. as they say one mans hard is another mans soft :-p

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by SteveH - 2012/01/18 07:53

Filthy!

I'm up in Celbridge, but if you wanna sign up for the photoshoot, I could trade you some lovely photos of your motor for a spin in it!

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by weeJohn - 2012/01/18 10:02

Just to add to your review, I have a set of these in the Caldina and a set in the 4WD Starlet and I cant fault them at all.

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by Spidey - 2012/01/18 12:48

Were these the ones you got ?

http://www.fk-shop.de/en/By-Brand-Manufacture/FK-Automotive/Coilover-Silverline-fit-for-Toyota-MR2-W2-Yr-2000.html?force_sid=f1ad40db02d227fee4e96e46a66d6838&listtype=search&searchparam=mr2

So, we've 10% off the €624 ?

How much was delivery ?

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2012/01/18 20:21

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Cool - these are definitely on my to do list

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2012/05/28 17:25

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The Meister R's held up incredible well on the day and the car was a joy to drive. The handling was and I had the setting full hard on the back with the front being a bit lighter by 4 levels. This gave the car a little oversteer when pushed to the edge or quite a bit more in turn 1 (Smurfster would know :silly:) but at all times the car felt incredible controllable and went where I wanted it to.

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And again simple at the end of the day dial down the settings to soft and you have a comfy (for coilovers) ride home.

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This sounds veery good, how's the build quality on these?

Any squeaks / rattles since you've fitted them?

I presume the roads of west cork are the best road test you could put these through.

I'm still contemplating these,

Cheers,

Shane

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2012/05/29 13:50

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All sounds good, but as you say it is subjective.

Would you be around for the cork meet that's might be happening?

Would prefer to see these in the metal before i make a decision, may just upgrade/change the existing shocks and springs if the coilovers are too stiff.

(Roads here aren't the best either and no point spending money to make the car uncomfortable / unusable)

Cheers,

Shane

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2012/05/30 14:13

Shane,

Yup that wouldnt be a bother at all I tend to go home every 3/4 weeks so even if I cant make the meet I am sure we could organise to meet up some week. Definitely a good idea to have a spin in the car see how she feels and go from there.

If you do go for shocks and springs I would recommend KYB Excel G shock inserts and a set of Eibach or Apexi springs. Many other shock inserts but I find these have been proven to be very good even on the track and would prob be a bit easier on the back than the coilovers/bank account.

One last thing to note is that I run 18" wheels which will mean the car wont absorb the bumps as well as stock ones :-P

Baz

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by shanec - 2013/01/04 17:58

Sorry to bring this thread back up but I was wondering how you are getting on with these coilovers now, seriously contemplating coilovers now

Regards,
Shane

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Re: Mesiter R coilover review

Posted by basch32 - 2013/01/04 18:39

Shane,

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