

Top 10 Tools



Euro Auto

This technician lists his must-have tools

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SHOP: Euro Auto, LLC

Eric Dibner opened Euro Auto in 1993, and for the past 22 years, has been servicing Bethlehem, Conn., and the Waterbury area. He has attended several classes to stay caught up with the current technology. Dibner is a TST (technician service training) associate member, an ASE Master Certified tech and a Veejer Electronics technician, and he has attended Linder's Guru Classes 1, 2 and 3, among others. He oversees two technicians at Euro Auto, which specializes in Audi and Volkswagen.



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1 "The picture is worth a 1,000 words," Dibner says, calling this tool a must-have for its articulating camera head and medical-grade quality. For more information, visit VehicleServicePros.com/12073248

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2 Dibner calls the Power Probe IV a "definite upgrade from the Power Probe III" because it has many usable modes, plus a "screen you can see even in sunlight." For more information, visit: VehicleServicePros.com/12010412

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3 Dibner says this tool provides the best bang for the buck. "First scan tool I pick up," he says. "Very fast. Very good software." For more information, visit: VehicleServicePros.com/11218371

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4 "This piece of equipment will save many hours of time," Dibner says, applauding its use of pulsating water instead of steady flow flushing. "You will unblock the worst." For more information visit:

VehicleServicePros.com/11574922

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5 The number of different options this tool offers supports whatever Dibner needs to press. "No more using dangerous makeshift adapters to support a hub," he explains. For more information, visit:

VehicleServicePros.com/12083133

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6 According to Dibner, this PC-based generic scan tool is "the fastest way to diagnose breathing issues, efficiency and fuel trim problems."

For more information, visit: VehicleServicePros.com/10106486

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7 "Hours saved is an hour earned," Dibner says. "It's worth every penny and you don't have to beat up your hands." For more information, visit:

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8 "Looking at heat signatures is a very fast way of diagnosing all types of conditions," Dibner says. He uses the device to diagnose parasitic drain modules that won't turn off wheel bearings, catalytic converter issues and much more. This tool is no longer available, but the company offers the TG165 imaging IR thermometer.

9 Dibner prefers this tool, which uses carbon dioxide instead of smoke to find leaks. "When a leak is found with a CO2 sniffer, yellow foam is sprayed around the infected area and will turn pink where the precise leak is."

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10 Dibner likes this handheld amp clamp because it is accurate and, therefore, takes away any guess-work. He also appreciates the built-in multimeter. For more information, visit:

VehicleServicePros.com/11303607

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1 ATS
BORESCOPE



2 POWER PROBE IV



3 AUTEL MAXISYS,
NO. MS908



4 GATES POWERCLEAN
FLUSH TOOL



5 MUELLER-KUEPS
UNIVERSAL
PRESS SUPPORT,
NO. 432 650



6 ATS ESCAN
PRO, NO.
ESN2000



8 FLIR I3
INFRARED
IMAGING



7 CHICAGO
PNEUMATIC
SUPER DUTY AIR
HAMMER, NO.
CP717



9 ATS BULLSEYE
LEAK PROTECTION



10 ELECTRONIC
SPECIALTIES
TRUE RMS LOW
CURRENT CLAMP
METER, NO. 688

