

Furniture refreshing

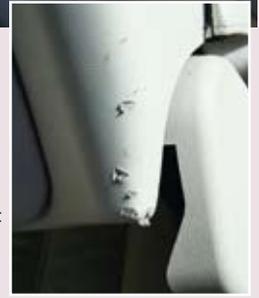
Note: Furniture Clinic recommends owners remove seats from the car before starting the job (remember to disconnect the battery first if your car has integral airbags in the seats). We didn't do this due to time constraints



Before



Given that it's covered more than 90,000 miles, the interior of our car was far from shabby (above left), but the front driver's seat bolster was cracked, and both front seats had nicks out of the material (above and right)



The process



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After the leather was cleaned and then treated with a solvent to remove the top coat of colouring so that the new paint would adhere to it properly, the nicks in the seats were repaired with filler



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Once the filler had dried it was sanded flush, and the front face of the seats also sanded to a smooth finish



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Next came the respraying process. Using an airbrush, three coats of the colour-matched paint were applied – two of hard-wearing gloss, and then one matt coat. Finally, the application of a lacquer and then a coat of protective cream finished the job



After



Here are those two worn areas again after the completion of the job – both the previously worn driver's seat bolster, and the rear of the seat that sported those nasty nicks now look superb and ready for more use



The finished job – and an immaculate looking pair of front seats once more. We chose only to have these treated, although the back seats and door cards can also be refreshed by Furniture Clinic if needed

Prices/contacts

Dent repairs:	£60 per panel
Mesh grille:	£179
Interior treatment:	£250 (front seats only)
Pirelli P-Zero 245/50 ZR17 tyres:	£186.83 (each including fitting and VAT)
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