

Sirius Starmate Installation & Cable Routing (Sirius antenna directly behind factory radio antenna)

Here are the steps I took:

Note: I followed [cairo94507's instructions](#) for installing the Sirius antenna behind the factory antenna.

1. Remove headliner plugs (a butter knife is helpful).



Plug(s) removed

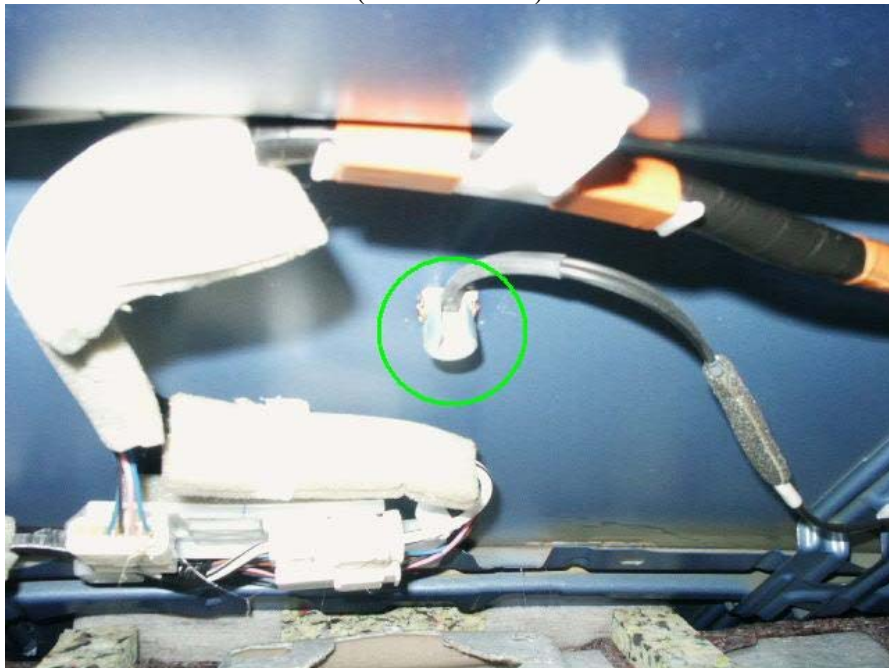


2. Pull down the rear dome light.



3. Pull down the headline to get at the 22mm nut, which holds the factory antenna in place. Loosen it, of course.

(Nut removed)



4. Pull factory antenna up out of roof. This gave me more trouble than I thought it would. At least we know the factory antenna isn't going to fall off on its own.



5. Run Sirius antenna wire through hole in roof.



6. Notch the factory antenna gasket so that it doesn't crimp the Sirius antenna wire.
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7. Reattach factory antenna.

8. Run Sirius antenna wire over to the side pillar.



9. I ran the wire under the flexible door molding down to the floor next to the rear seat.



10. Pop off the door foot molding (front and rear) and run the wire along side all the other ones to the center pillar.



11. With the help of a flattened coat hanger, thread the wire through the center pillar, and continue to follow the wires towards the front.



12. At this point (at a later date, actually), I took apart the dash. I followed the directions from [Metrotpn](#). The directions from [Chris Dragon](#) would also work. Though they're slightly different, the end result is the same.
13. Once the dash is in pieces, stand back and look at your handy work.

14. I ran the antenna wire up behind the right most vent.



15. Continue the antenna wire behind the glove compartments, and behind the head unit.



16. I attached the Wired FM Modulator Relay. The relay it self was tucked nicely in a secure location behind the head unit. Anywhere it will fit would be fine.
Installation: Unplug radio antenna and plug it into the relay. Plug the relay into the antenna jack. You're done.

17. I chose to remove the CD tray and drill a hole in the back to run the wires through.



18. I ran the 12v power wire down behind the center plastic. (Please excuse the mess.)



19. I did not secure the Starmate in the cubbyhole. It fits snugly enough so it won't fall out. Also I can still have use of the cubbyhole if I need it. All of the cords are bunched and stored behind the Starmate in the CD tray.



20. Don't forget to put the dash back together. It's a lot easier to drive that way.

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