

JACK ADAPTER

Tech Tip from Ray Besch Southside A's Georgia



How many of us carry a jack in our Model A? If you have a Model A jack did you actually tried to use it on your car. I travelled with a friend who had a flat and was surprised to find that his Model A jack was functional but would not lift his coupe.

Well I had a bottle jack and we changed his flat. Now another issue he had his spare in the ear stock location and also a trunk rack and trunk. If you have this combination check and see if you have a lug wrench that will take the spare wheel off. If you don't have

a 90 deg. set-up you will need to take your trunk off.

I have found a bottle jack works well. Also a scissor jack can work. The best scissor jacks can be found in a salvage yard from a modern truck.

To steady my bottle jack I have added a home made adaptor. It's made from two pieces of scrap tubing welded together. The "U" shape is approx. 4" dia. This slips over the lift tube on the bottle jack and saddles the front or rear axles quite well. The tube that slips onto the jack will need to be sized to fit your jack.

Happy Motoring, I hope this helps from having that oh #%\$& moment on the road side.

Thank you to our friends in Southside A's Georgia for this article from their Newsletter.

Check out their website at <https://southsideas.com/>



The above article was reprinted from the Ford Torque Model A club newsletter located in Australia. I liked the idea and had an adapter fabricated. I bought the jack in the photo at right from Sears in 1950 when I got my first car (a 1938 Chevy Coupe). The jack is US made. I jacked my Victoria up with it and let it sit for a couple hours and the hydraulics hold. The wood platform adjusts the height to accommodate a flat tire on either axle and the reinstall of a fully inflated tire. Tom Endy

