



How to change front  
brake pads on **AUDI 100**  
**C3 Avant (44, 44Q)** –  
replacement guide

## SIMILAR VIDEO TUTORIAL



This video shows the replacement procedure of a similar car part on another vehicle

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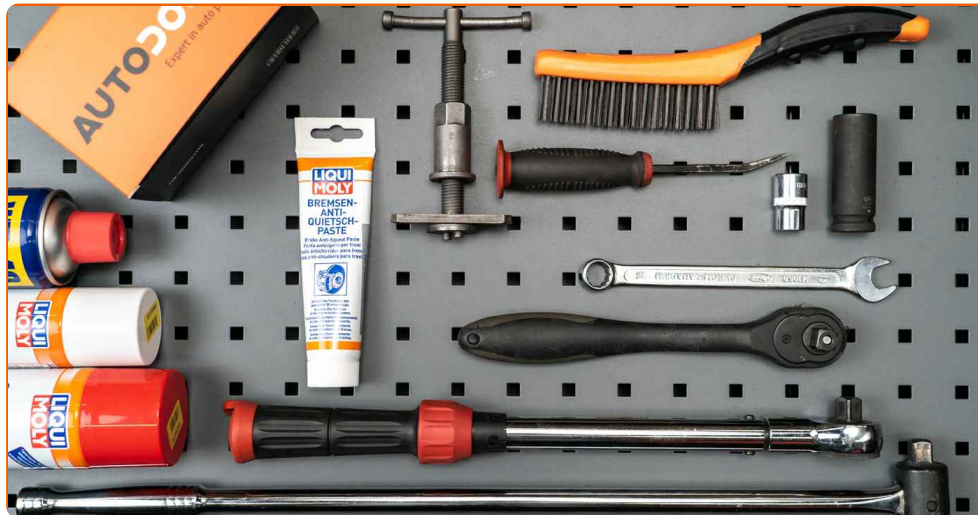
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The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

This tutorial was created based on the replacement procedure for a similar car part on: AUDI 80 B4 Saloon (8C2) 2.0

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE PADS – AUDI 100 C3 AVANT (44, 44Q). LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Anti-squeal paste
- High-temperature ceramic grease
- Torque wrench
- Combination spanner #15
- Drive socket # 13
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Ratchet wrench
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

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Replacement: brake pads – AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- Perform the replacement of brake pads in complete set for each axis. This provides effective braking.
- The replacement procedure is identical for all brake pads on the same axle.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

## REPLACEMENT: BRAKE PADS – AUDI 100 C3 AVANT (44, 44Q). USE THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE:

**1** Open the bonnet. Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.

**2** Secure the wheels with chocks.



**3** Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



**4** Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.

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Unscrew the wheel bolts.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Important! Hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts. AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q)

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Remove the wheel.

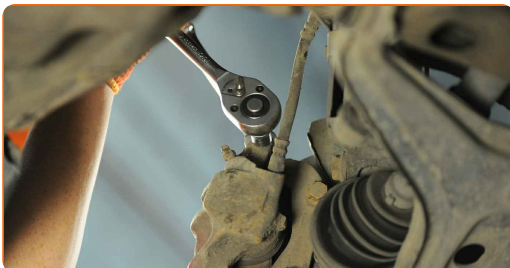


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Clean the brake caliper fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use a brake cleaner.

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Unscrew the brake caliper fastening. Use a combination spanner #15. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



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Remove the brake caliper. Use a crowbar.



Replacement: brake pads – AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q). AUTODOC recommends:

- Tie the caliper to the suspension or to the body with a wire without disconnecting from the brake hose to prevent depressurization of the brake system.
- Make sure that the brake caliper is not hanging on the brake hose.
- Don't press the brake pedal after the brake caliper has been removed. As a result, the piston can fall out from the brake cylinder, and brake fluid leakage and depressurization of the system may occur.
- Check the brake caliper bracket, brake caliper guide pins and boots. Clean them. Replace, if necessary.

11 Remove the brake pads.



Replacement: brake pads – AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q). AUTODOC recommends:

- Measure the brake disc thickness. Upon reaching the wear limit the part must be replaced.

12 Treat the brake caliper piston. Use a brake cleaner.



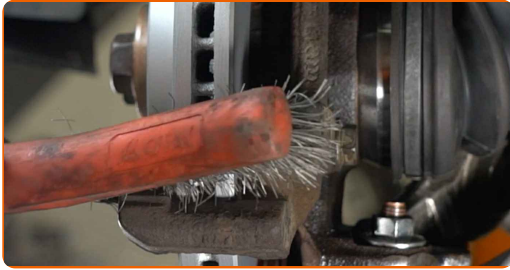
13 Press in the brake caliper piston. Use brake caliper wind back tool.





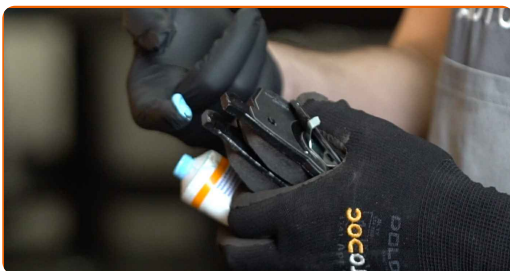
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Clean the brake caliper bracket from dirt and dust. Use a wire brush. Use a brake cleaner.



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Treat the brake pads in the area where their surface comes into contact with the brake caliper bracket. Use anti-squeal paste.



Replacement: brake pads – AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q). Professionals recommend:

- Make sure the disc surface is clean before installing the pads.

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Install new brake pads.



AUTODOC recommends:

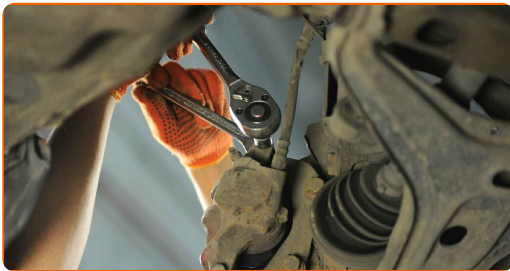
- Make sure the pads are installed with linings facing the disc.



17.1 Install the brake caliper and fix it.



17.2 Use a combination spanner #15. Use a drive socket #13. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 35 Nm torque.



18 Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use high-temperature ceramic grease.



19 Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Replacement: brake pads – AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

20 Install the wheel.



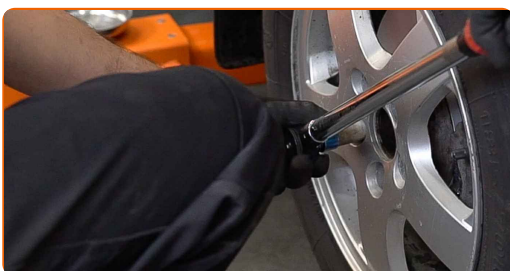
Replacement: brake pads – AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q). Tip from AUTODOC:

- To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when screwing in the fastening bolts.

21 Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.

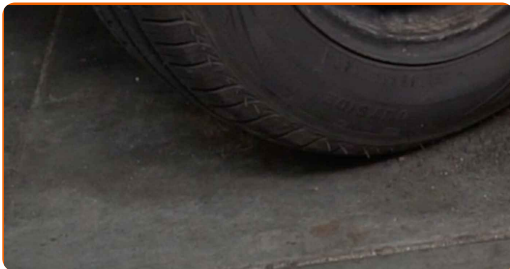


22 Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 nm torque.



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Remove the jacks and chocks.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Important! Replacement: brake pads – AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q). Check the brake fluid level in the reservoir and top up if necessary.

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Tighten the brake fluid reservoir cap. Close the hood.

**Replacement: brake pads – AUDI 100 C3 Avant (44, 44Q). Professionals recommend:**

- Without starting the engine, press the brake pedal several times until you feel significant resistance.

**WELL DONE!**

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