



How to change front
suspension strut on
NISSAN Kubistar Van
(X76) – replacement
guide

SIMILAR VIDEO TUTORIAL



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

Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:

NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76) 1.5 dCi, NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76) 1.2, NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76) 1.2 16V, NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76) 1.6 16V, NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76) 1.5 dCi 70, NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76) dCi 85

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: RENAULT KANGOO (KC0/1_) 1.2 16V

REPLACEMENT: SUSPENSION STRUT – NISSAN KUBISTAR VAN (X76). TOOLS YOU NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Copper grease
- Combination spanner #14
- Combination spanner #21
- Drive socket # 21
- HEX bit No.H6.
- Wheel impact socket #19
- Pin punch
- Hammer
- Tap wrench
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Crow bar
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Hydraulic strut spring compressor
- Fender cover
- Wheel chock

Buy tools

Replacement: suspension strut – NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- Both shock struts of the front suspension should be replaced simultaneously.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right shock struts of the front suspension.
- Warning! Shut down the engine before starting any work – NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76)

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1 Open the bonnet.

2 Use a fender protection cover to prevent damaging paintwork and plastic parts of the car.

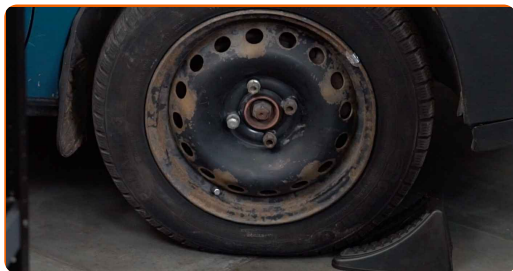
3 Remove the shock strut mount cap. Use a crowbar.



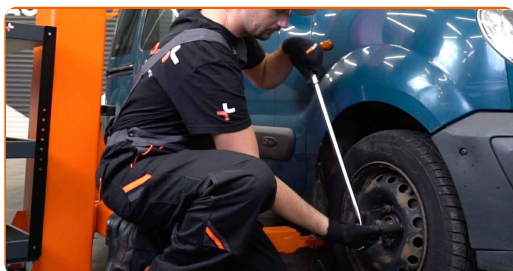
4 Loosen the upper fastener of the shock strut mount. Use a combination spanner #21. Use HEX No.H6. Use a ratchet wrench.



5 Secure the wheels with chocks.

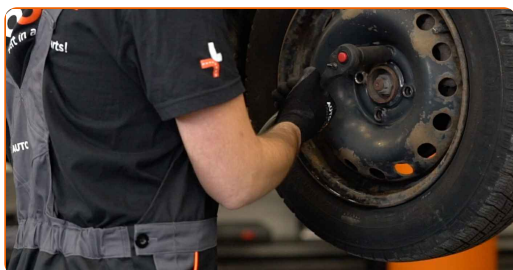


6 Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



7 Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.

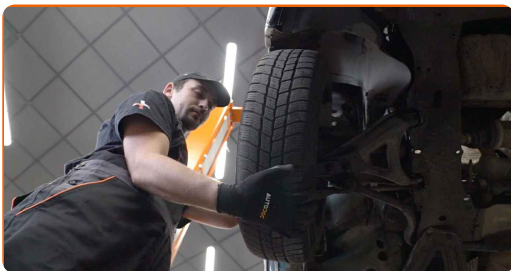
8 Unscrew the wheel bolts.



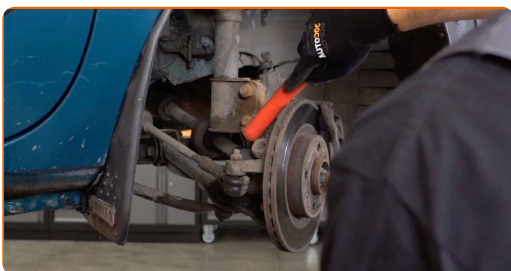
AUTODOC recommends:

- Important! Hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts. NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76)

9 Remove the wheel.



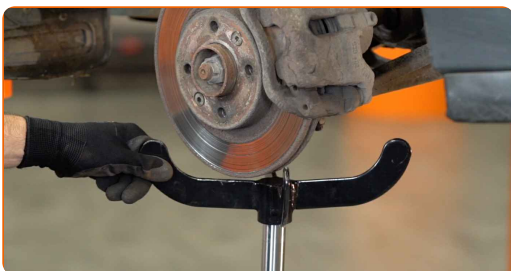
10 Clean the shock strut fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



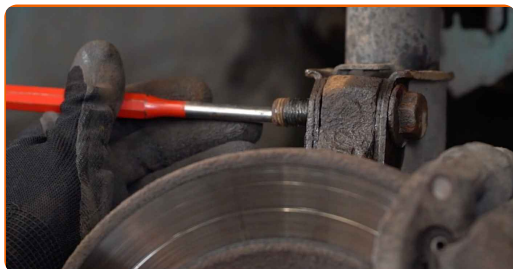
11 Unscrew the lower fastener connecting the shock strut to the steering knuckle. Use a drive socket #21. Use a combination spanner #21. Use a tap wrench.



12 Prop up the steering knuckle. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



13 Remove the fastening bolts (2 pieces). Use a hammer. Use a pin punch.



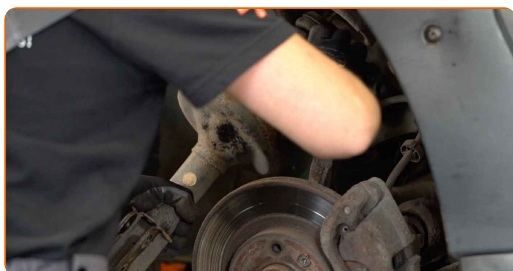
14 Unscrew the upper fastening of the shock absorber strut. Use a drive socket #21.



Replacement: suspension strut – NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76). AUTODOC recommends:

- To avoid injuries, hold the shock strut when undoing the fastening bolts.

15 Remove the suspension strut.



16 Set the shock absorber strut on the spring compressor tool.



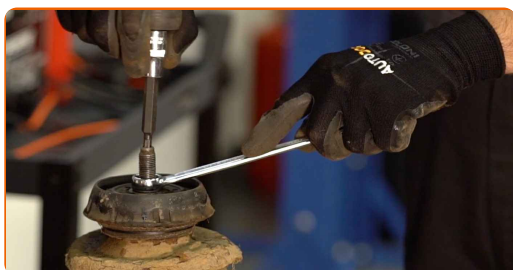
Replacement: suspension strut – NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76). Professionals recommend:

- Note that when using a spring compressor, spring coils need to be securely gripped, compressing the spring on the opposite sides.
- Ensure the correct position of the spring in the retainer.
- Make sure that the spring coils tightly entered the lock handles.

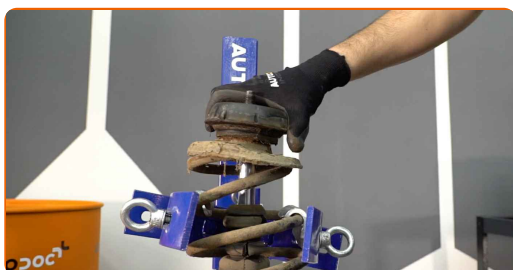
17 Compress the spring.



18 Remove the strut piston rod nut. Use HEX No.H6. Use a combination spanner #14. Use a ratchet wrench.



19 Remove the top strut mount.



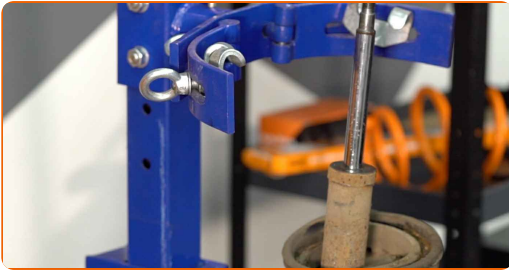
20 Release the coil spring.



21 Remove the spring.



22 Remove the shock absorber dust cap and the bump stop.



23 Remove the old shock absorber from the hydraulic coil spring compressor.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: suspension strut – NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76). Carefully inspect the mount, the boot, and the bump stop of the shock absorber. Replace if necessary.
- Before installing a new shock absorber you should pump it manually 3-5 times.

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Install the new shock absorber on the hydraulic coil spring compressor.



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Install the dust sleeve and the bump stop on the new shock absorber.

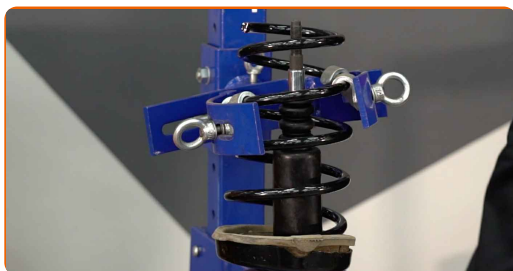


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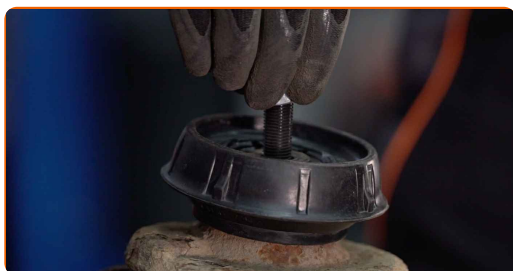
Install the spring on the shock absorber.



27 Compress the spring.



28 Install the upper strut mount and the strut mount bearing.



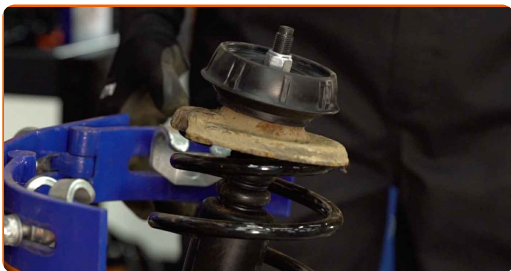
29 Tighten the shock strut piston rod nut. Use HEX No.H6. Use a combination spanner #14. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 60 Nm torque.



Replacement: suspension strut – NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Check to make sure the spring is positioned correctly. Avoid its misalignment.

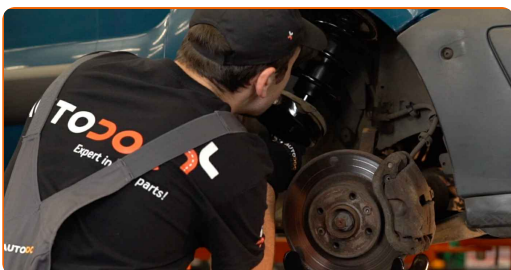
30 Decompress the spring.



31 Remove the assembled shock strut.



32 Install the shock strut into the wheel arch.



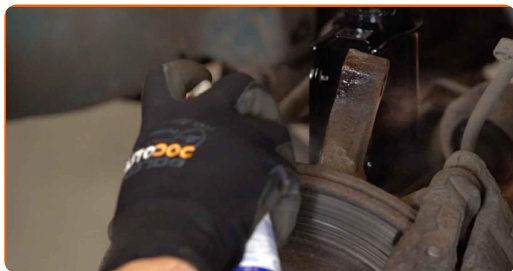
33 Tighten the upper fastening nut of the shock absorber strut. Do not tighten it.



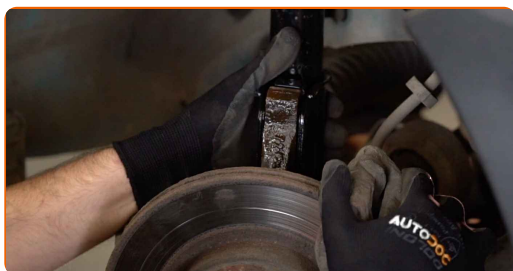
AUTODOC recommends:

- NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76) – To avoid injury, hold the suspension strut while screwing in the fastening bolts.

34 Clean the mounting seats of the shock strut. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



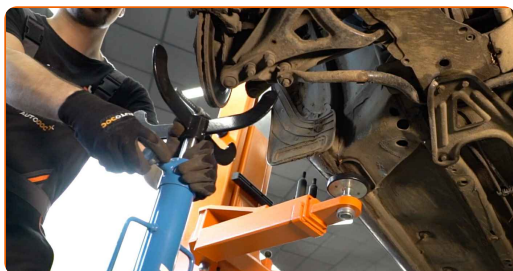
35 Fix the shock absorber strut on the steering knuckle.



36 Install and tighten new bolts of the steering knuckle. Use a drive socket #21. Use a combination spanner #21. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 140 Nm torque.



37 Remove the support from under the steering knuckle.



Replacement: suspension strut – NISSAN Kubistar Van (X76). Tip from AUTODOC:

- Lower the hydraulic transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging assemblies and mechanisms.

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Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush. Treat the contacting surface. Use copper grease.



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Install the wheel.



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

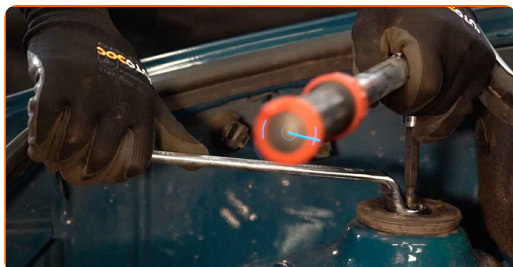
40 Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



41 Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 110 Nm torque.



42 Tighten the shock strut top mount. Use a combination spanner #21. Use HEX No.H6. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 62 Nm torque.



43 Install the shock strut mount cap.



44 Remove the fender protection cover.

45 Close the hood.

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Remove the jacks and chocks.



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