



How to change front  
brake pads on **Citroen**  
**Xsara Picasso** –  
replacement guide

## VIDEO TUTORIAL

** Important!**

This replacement procedure can be used for:

CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First Van (M\_) 1.1 i, CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First Van (M\_) 1.4 i, CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First Van (M\_) 1.8 D, CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First Van (M\_) 1.9 D, CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First (MF, GJK, GFK) 1.4 i, CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First (MF, GJK, GFK) 1.9 D, CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First (MF, GJK, GFK) 1.1 i, CITROËN C3 I Hatchback (FC\_, FN\_) 1.6 16V, CITROËN XSARA PICASSO (N68) 1.6 16V, CITROËN C3 Picasso 1.6 HDi 110, CITROËN XSARA (N1) 1.4 i, CITROËN XSARA Break (N2) 1.4 i, CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First (MF, GJK, GFK) 1.8 i, CITROËN XSARA (N1) 1.9 D, CITROËN XSARA Break (N2) 1.9 D, (+ 148)

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE PADS – CITROEN XSARA PICASSO. LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Anti-squeal paste
- Copper grease
- Combination spanner #13
- Combination spanner #15
- Wheel impact socket #19
- Torque wrench
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

**BUY TOOLS**

**Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. Tip:**

- 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 – CITROEN XSARA PICASSO. 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 #19.



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



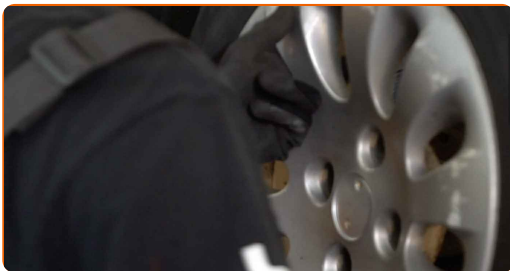
**5** Unscrew the wheel bolts.



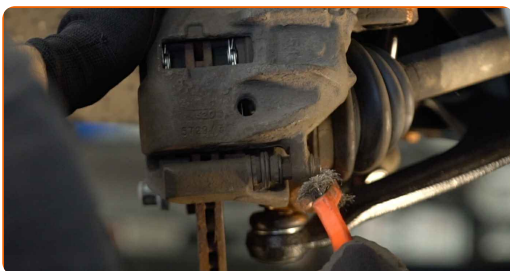
**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Important! Hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts. Citroen Xsara Picasso

**6** Remove the wheel.

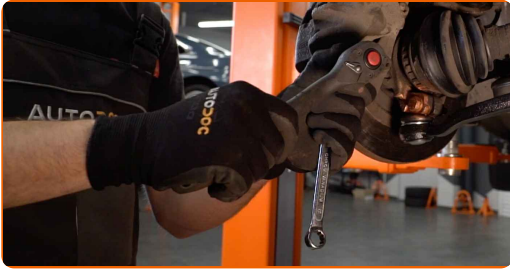


**7** Clean the brake caliper fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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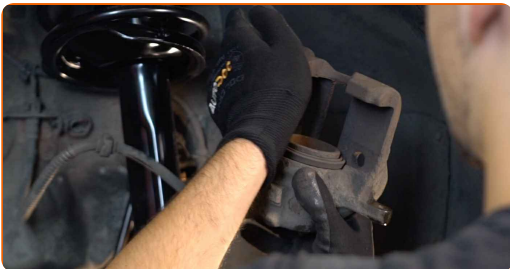
Unscrew the brake caliper fastening. Use a combination spanner #13. Use a combination spanner #15.

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Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.

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Remove the brake caliper.



Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. 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.

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Remove the brake pads.



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- 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.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

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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.

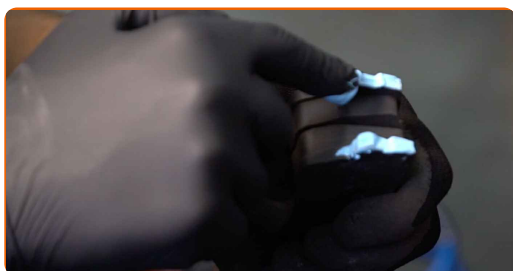


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- After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.



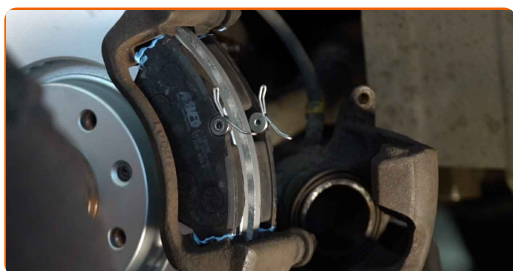
- 15** Treat the brake pads in the area where their surface comes into contact with the brake caliper bracket. Use anti-squeal paste.



Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. Tip from AUTODOC:

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

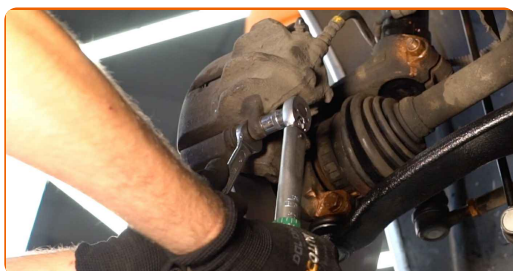
- 16** Install new brake pads.



Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. Tip from AUTODOC experts:

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

- 17** Install the brake caliper and fix it. Use a combination spanner #13. Use a combination spanner #15. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 27 Nm torque.



- 18** Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use copper grease.



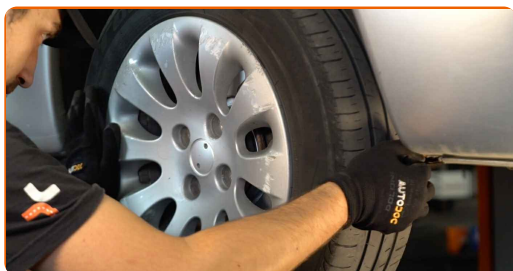
- 19** Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



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- Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

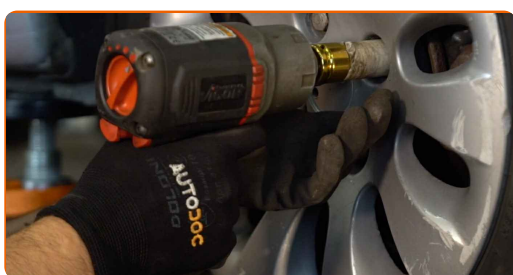
**20** Install the wheel.



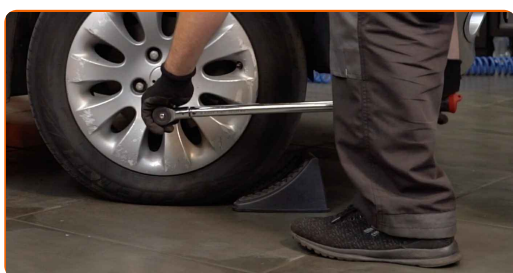
Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. AUTODOC recommends:

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

**21** Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



**22** Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 100 Nm torque.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Important! Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. 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.

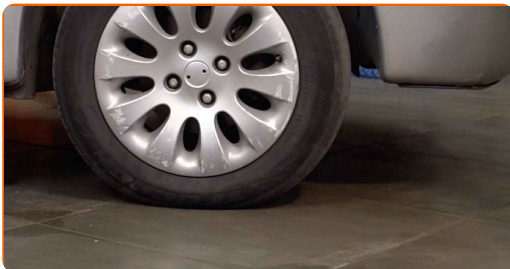


**Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. Professionals recommend:**

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

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Remove the jacks and chocks.



**Replacement: brake pads – Citroen Xsara Picasso. AUTODOC experts recommend:**

- Slow down smoothly for first 150-200 km after the brake pads replacement. Avoid unnecessary and sharp braking to a stop.

**WELL DONE!** 

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