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Year: 1997-2003  
Make: Dodge  
Model: Dakota / Durango

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



**What's in the Box:** (4 or 5) Mesh Grill Pieces, (8) Ties, (1) Small Spool of Metal Wire (optional).

**Tool List:** Wire Cutters

### Grill Mesh Installation:

1. Gain access behind the stock grill by opening and propping the hood up or remove the factory grill shell.
2. Place one of the inserts over the stock grill in the appropriate place.
3. Start to feed the ties in from behind. Push the tail end of the tie through first. The head of the tie should be concealed behind the stock grill. The metal wire can be used in place of the ties if desired.
4. Loop the tail of the tie through an adjacent vertical diamond in the mesh. When done properly, there should be a minimal amount of the tie shown on the front of the vehicle.
5. Loosely secure the tie. Make sure you have the tie looped around one mesh diamond and one plastic OEM horizontal plastic bar.
6. Try to keep the ties in the corners or middle for the most secure hold.
7. Repeat step 3-5 until you have a minimum of two of the tie ends through each insert.
8. When you are satisfied with the placement of the grill and the ties, fully tighten the ties.
9. Clip the ends of the ties.
10. Repeat steps 3-8 for the remainder of the inserts.
11. To conceal any remaining parts of the cable tie on top of the mesh, it's possible to use a silver marker and brush over the tie in the areas where the mesh should be.

NOTE: The hood latch may have to be extended in order to retain proper hood latch release. A good write-up on a how to easily do this is written here: <http://www.customdakotas.com/forums/styling-mods/2460-hood-latch-relocation-rod.html>

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