protecting your upholstery

Recently a company called UltraShield sent me some of their upholstery protector to try. But before I got around to using it, I managed to get an



The first step in removing an oily stain is to dissolve it as much as you can.
Autopaint's Panel Wipe, used in car bodywork repairs, did the job well without risk of damaging fabric

oily stain on the driver seat of our Volkswagen towcar. 'Oh deary me!' I shouted (or words to that effect) before setting out to remedy the situation, as seen in the flowing picture sequence below.



This was followed up with Würth upholstery cleaner, applied in a thick layer of foam from the can before being rubbed vigorously with a clean cloth



Another clean cloth was used to dry the fabric as much as possible, then the seat was left to dry. In winter you may need to leave the door open in a heated garage



Once the upholstery was dry I applied UltraShield fabric protector. I used the pump-up spray from UltraShield



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The liquids and vapours are flammable and must only be used away from all sources of ignition. Keep them out of the eyes but, if necessary, wash eyes with plenty of clean water. Wear a breathing mask suitable for organic vapours when spraying



Apply the material in a well-ventilated area and wear an air-fed breathing mask such as this Würth mask rather than the simpler type which won't protect against vapours



I then applied UltraShield to all of our caravan's upholstery. It was removed from the caravan and spread about in our garage on an assortment of boxes to keep it off the ground

Top tips!

UltraShield say that their Fabric Protection is backed by a seven-year warranty from the date of application so I think it's well-worth using.

UltraShield Fabric Protection costs £27.98 for a 300ml container. One container provided two coats on all the caravan upholstery shown in this article, though this will obviously be determined by the amount you put on. The Ultrashield Hand-Pump Sprayer enables a very fine mist to be applied and costs £13.98.

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