

Installation: Automatic Power Antenna for NCs

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I have never been satisfied with the stock radio antenna on "THOR", my 2006 Nordic Green. I finally decided to do something about it. I searched the Internet and found the METRA 44-PW32 miniature power antenna. It only takes up 8½ inches in height and fits in the space where the regular antenna is installed. The installation does require removing the car jack, but it can be easily stored behind the driver's seat along with the lug wrench and other tools required for a tire change.

When I installed the wiring for my CB radio, I anticipated upgrading to a power antenna, so I installed two extra wires from the trunk to the passenger side wheel well.

I found the best price for the antenna - \$90 - at CarToys. I was not familiar with the connections to the radio so I decided to have CarToys do the installation. It was reasonable at \$120 + \$10 for additional connectors. Here are some photos to show the results.

