



Laundry in a Bus

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Splendide after installation.

Do you have laundry machines in your bus? Some people love them and some people hate them. Some people would rather use the space for a closet or other storage as many remove a perfectly good set of machines to obtain more storage. Some say any machines that will fit in a bus are too small to do all of your laundry. In this article, I will discuss the Splendide washer/dryer because that is the combo unit I am familiar with and I am on my third machine.

I have had two buses with the Splendide washer/dryer combination unit in them and I love these machines. I like them so much, I just had one installed in my Eagle which came with a dishwasher (which I never use) but no W/D unit because the previous owner only took short trips, generally less than a week as he primarily used the bus for two to three day business trips.

I dislike Laundromats because most people that use them are low-rent kind of people and you never know what was in those machines before you put your clothes in. They may have just washed a load of dirty diapers or greasy clothes in the same machine you put your white dress shirts in, you never know.

I have had a couple of bad experiences in laundromats in my life. One time I came back to find my

clothes taken out of the dryer and thrown all over the floor. I never did figure out why, but my roommate and I suspected it was a disgruntled neighbor, but we never discovered what his problem was.

Another time, I put my clothes basket in a small laundry room on a table to be queued up for when the machines were finished and came back a very short time later to discover someone else had put his clothes in the washer before I returned, completely ignoring the fact that my laundry was next. Thankfully, I had some diesel fuel in my apartment so I helped him out by pouring about a cup of this great cleaner in his load. Then I took my clothes elsewhere. I suspect he had a hard time getting that smell out of his clothes if he ever did. But I'll bet he never butted in front of the line at a laundromat again. He gave me the hairy eyeball for several months after that for some reason. I never admitted to doing this, but I think he knew.

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