

AutoShack Weekly Tip



DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TIMING BELT (CHAIN) vs DRIVE BELT

- Most people confuse the drive belt (fan belt) with the timing belt.
- The **drive belt** is what you see when you open your hood (bonnet). It typically drives the alternator, water pump, power steering pump and air condition compressor.
- The **timing belt** synchronizes (times) the movements of the engine's crankshaft and camshaft. The timing belt is inside the engine.
- Sudden failure of the fan belt won't cause engine damage but sudden failure of the timing belt can.

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