

Leave Your Purse, Lose Your Purse.



**Most car burglaries involve
valuables left in plain sight.**

Thieves know the places you hide your valuables—they think to check the console and under seats. Taking all valuables with you when exiting the car is the best way to avoid being a victim of burglary.

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A costly mistake

Not only will you have the expense of replacing stolen items, but thieves often cause damage to the car, such as broken locks or windows.

Time is valuable, and cancelling and replacing credit cards, debit cards, checks, driver's licenses and other personal information that can be used to steal your identity is a hassle.

Protecting your valuables

- Always take your purse, wallet, laptop, MP3 player, cell phone and other valuables with you when exiting the car.
- When taking valuables with you is not an option, lock valuables in the trunk. Move your valuables to the trunk beforehand to avoid being seen by potential burglars.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Drive around the parking lot before parking your car.
- Don't ignore your instincts. Note any suspicious persons or vehicles. If something feels suspicious, it probably is.
- Once parked, walk promptly with your keys or cell phone in your hand, while looking around at your surroundings.
- Report suspicious persons to the police immediately.