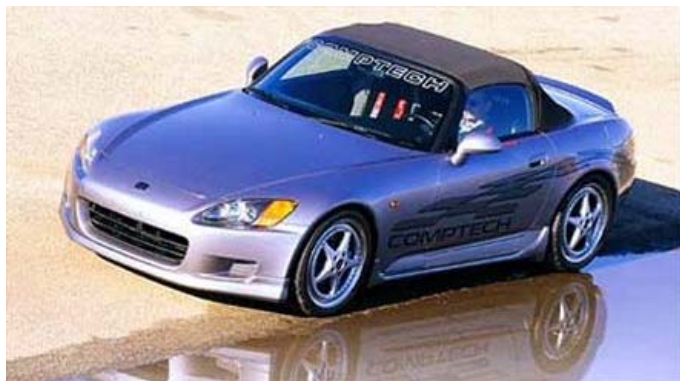


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Like the [Dodge Viper](#), Honda's S2000 has outstanding handling potential and high-cornering limits-but it can bite the unsuspecting or marginally talented pilot. Both cars tend to deliver an overly confidence-inspiring "I'm a hero" feel, but they also have a nasty side that rears itself only when pushed to, or past, nine-tenths. One minute, you're feeling like a pro; the next, you've spun yourself into a ditch. Remember Jekyll and Hyde?



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Comptech took on the daunting task of trying to enhance as well as tame the S2000 with a host of its latest aftermarket parts. Recent testing of Comptech's S2000 development vehicle proved that its wares do, and do not, achieve this goal.

The heart of Comptech mods is aimed at improved handling. Its adjustable (and stiffer) coil springs allow for ride-height and corner-weight fine tuning, while its larger front/rear anti-roll bars deliver about 28 percent more roll stiffness. Add in more chassis rigidity via Comptech's front/rear lower suspension braces, and 18x8.0- and 18x9.0-in. O.Z. three-piece wheels wrapped in sticky BFG G-Force T/A 225/40ZR18 and 265/35ZR18 tires team to provide added grip. With Comptech's mods, the S2000 can be pushed harder toward that fine edge of control, but the downside is when you surpass that edge, you're now carrying more terminal velocity. The result? A spin at a higher speed, which is bad if you like to hot-shoe on cliff-laden twisty mountain roads.

Comptech's underhood wares are impressive, in the form of a Paxton Novi 1000 supercharger pushing 6 psi of boost, a Comptech 4-in-1 stainless header, and a Comptech cat-back stainless-steel exhaust system. According to the company, power is up by 100 hp, but the S2000's not-so-street-friendly 6000-9000-rpm powerband is now even more manic.

Outside, the Comptech/Honda spoilers and side skirts are a nice touch, though we'd skip the street-racer-like graphics package. Inside, Auto Meter gauges are well positioned, but the excessive

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The Comptech engine mods help deliver 100 extra hp, but hooking up the power during hard acceleration is a "bog-it-or-spin-'em" situation.

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carbon-fiber trim is a bit much. The Sparco racing seats serve a definite purpose, but are complete overkill for a daily driver-plus, you'd better have a twig-like body build or you just won't fit. All in all, the Comptech S2000's hardware is an improvement, but in some aspects they take an already edgy car just too far over the edge.

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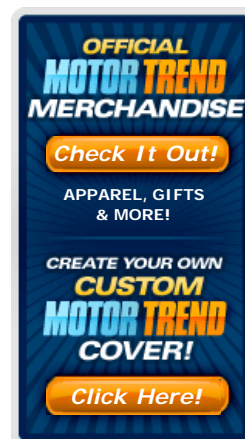
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