

# Carrying power for outdoor use







#### **Overview**

Do portable power stations make camping better?

A good portable power station makes camping better. These devices power lights, phones, and small appliances when you're outdoors. We spent three months testing power stations to find the best portable power stations for camping. We tested 30 portable power stations over 12 camping trips.

Why should you buy a portable power station?

Bring big backup power with you with these expert-recommended portable power stations, which can store enough power to charge electronics, appliances, and more.

What makes a good camping power station?

Vertical designs maximize efficiency while horizontal configurations offer better stability on uneven surfaces. The best camping power stations provide diverse connections. AC outlets power larger appliances like portable cookers and coffee makers. USB-A ports charge traditional devices such as flashlights and smartphones.

How much power do you need for camping?

Weekend adventures typically need 200-300Wh for smartphone charging and LED lighting. Glamping and campground camping with amenities require 500-700Wh units to power fans, portable coolers, and CPAP machines. RV camping and extended backcountry trips benefit from 1000Wh or higher capacity that supports multiple days off-grid.

How much power does a portable power station need?

For portable power stations, capacity is measured in watt-hours (Wh), telling you how much energy the unit stores. Weekend adventures typically need 200-300Wh for smartphone charging and LED lighting. Glamping and campground camping with amenities require 500-700Wh units to power fans,



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How do you maintain a portable power station?

To maintain your portable power station, keep it clean and dry, check battery levels regularly, avoid extreme temperatures, and store it in a cool, dry place. Regularly charge it to ensure optimal performance and longevity. In conclusion, investing in a reliable portable power station can truly enhance your camping experience.



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### <u>Outdoor Element Handled</u>, <u>Pot Gripper Fuel</u> <u>Canister Recycler</u>

We're betting that you'll be carrying a single-use fuel canister to power your stove on your next backpacking trip. We're also betting that you don't know how to dispose of it properly: It must

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