

Powering our technology

We like to carry our most valuable items in our handbags rather than leave them in our luggage or in the motorhome. It means each of the items have to be as small and as light as possible. As well as a paper list of vital phone numbers and addresses (including eTickets) our bags are big enough to carry our passports and wallet (with credit and cash cards) plus our technology. I tote my MacBook Air and camera while Heather carries her iPad and an iPhone.

We have password protected copies of our documents on computer file and another copy in “the cloud” plus another one on my external back up hard disk. If we lose a copy we have another one somewhere.

One of the valuable lessons we learned during our tripping around is to ensure that our electrical equipment can be powered by both mains power (with converter plug relevant to the countries you are traveling through) AND via the 12V car/van battery. It means we do not have to rely on finding a caravan park to hook up to power to charge any of our equipment.

The photo shows our powering alternatives:

iPhone and iPad with mains charger and dual car charger.

Camera with mains charger, multi-battery charger and extra storage card.

Macbook Air with external USB hard disk (charged by computer itself) and mains power charger and 12V car charger.

What is not shown is our powered shaver and toothbrush (powered by rechargeable AA batteries) plus our Solis modem (which can also be charged by mains power or computer or 12V car battery).

If we are free camping everything can be recharged using the motorhome battery. Our special multipurpose rechargeable battery charger can charge ANY battery known to man. Its an absolute marvel.