

PocketPlug

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The **PocketPlug** is an accessory that allows an iPhone in the United States to be charged without a cable.^[1]

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History

The PocketPlug was launched on Kickstarter in March 2012, which raised 130,000 dollars.^[2] This led to the device being sold in Brookstone and Staples.

Features

The PocketPlug phone case features an integrated A/C charging plug which allows users to plug their phones directly into an outlet to charge their phone, removing the requirement for a charger. The case itself is manufactured with a soft-plastic rubber and features a sound funnelling design in order to enhance sound volume and quality.^[1] While the case has received praise for the simplicity of the idea, critics have felt that the phone was lacking an external battery.^[3]

Prong, the manufacturers of the PocketPlug have developed a further accessory, the PWR case, which featured an external battery. The case will be rolled out at Best Buy starting in summer 2014.^[4] CNET reviewed the case and felt that for "tired of dealing with wall warts, charging cables, and, especially, dead batteries, this might be just the case you need." ^[5]

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