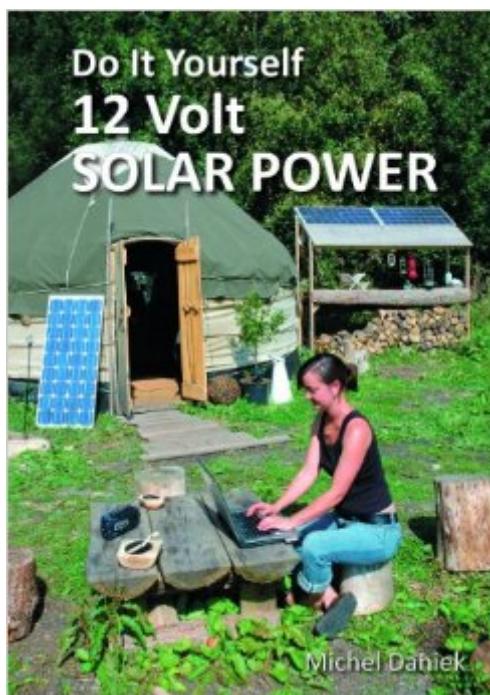


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# Do It Yourself 12 Volt Solar Power, 2nd Edition (Simple Living)



## Synopsis

If you want to introduce alternative power supplies around the home and garden or even live totally off-grid in your boat, caravan, or yurt and need a practical introduction to solar power and 12-volt supplies, here is an essential guide to the subject. Not only will it save you money, it will show you how to run your lights, laptop, DVDs, and music, and even your tools and household products, from a simple 12-volt system. Be in control of more of your home's own energy supply, develop a low-impact way of living, and be prepared for power outages in the future! Do It Yourself 12 Volt Solar Power begins with a lesson on how electricity works and the main components of a DIY solar system. The author uses clear diagrams and terms. There is, of course, more technical information as the book progresses, but don't worry, this no-nonsense guide provides a useful, back-to-basics approach for the layperson. This is a reference book that will help you troubleshoot and get the best value for money from what you can find hidden in the back of the garage. It is also quirky and humorous and shows you how to make a sun-following system using just a bicycle wheel, a pallet, and the motor from a CD player!

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If you are like me who bought it hoping to learn how to build a small 12v solar system step by step, this is not for you. The book tells you differences between different parts but shows little or no info on what should be work together or how and where to connect the parts together. It explains

how the parts work technically but I found it useless to me who only wants to know what to buy, and how to connect it safely. Very disappointed.

There are very few books on 12 volt solar not related to the RV or Marine industries. This book shows how it can be effectively used on land. I also see this as a great tool in the support of micro architecture otherwise known as the tiny house movement. Now in its 3rd ed the bugs are worked out of the book. Glad to see this one available in the US and not just the UK. I also recommend Emergency Power for Amature Radio if you like this book.

The title pretty much sums up me opinion of this book. This is a must-have for anyone wanting to be energy-independent, since it provides the information needed on how to have our everyday items run on 12-volt, greatly reducing energy consumption.

While an interesting read about a very simple approach to DIY solar, it is a bit dated. I hate to say it, but I could (and did) find all this info on the net. Still, it might cause most of us to take a much simpler view of these systems.

very good book, very fast delivery too. Clear explanations on how to build 12 V appliances at home. I find it important to get good technical information which is and clearly explained for a new beginner with pictures and drawings.

This book contained everything I needed to know to build my solar project. Good pictures and diagrams laying out everything that was needed to finish the job.

Ever since getting serious about self-sufficiency, I've been seeking out books for my elibrary which I can use for reference. This is a good, all around how-to for basic solar installations and projects.

This book will be a valuable addition to the bookshelf of anyone planning to build an economy free of fossil fuels. It is written at a level I would judge to be accessible to a person with "hands on" mechanical skills and some knowledge of electrical fundamentals.

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