

Gadgets: Smart safe secures valuables remotely

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The new iKeyp Bolt smart home safe is the first of its kind to keep valuables locked up and controlled from anywhere.

Sure it's handy just to speak, and my lights turn on or control my sprinklers with a smartphone. But having the iKeyp Bolt secured in place to store medicine, money, passports, jewelry, and more, all in the same place is pretty innovative.

That is what the iKeyp Bolt is all about. The safe can be opened or closed in three ways; a keypad on the front, an emergency key or with a smartphone app (iOS and Android) from anywhere.

There's no installation, just put in four AA batteries and find a location for the safe. The great thing is that nothing is permanent. You can move it anywhere, anytime since its just 6.0-by-12.8-by-3.4-inches and 2.89.pounds.

In addition to opening or closing the safe from anywhere with your smartphone, you can get real-time notifications when the safe has been opened or closed by anyone, giving you 24/7 monitoring. This includes failed keypad attempt notifications.

Loud alerts can also be set to come from the device when opened.

Think of uses for the iKeyp Bolt, not only in your home, but an elderly parent's home, and even a dorm room.

ikeyp.com \$149

I was given a sample of the Nite Ize Steelie FreeMount Windshield Kit earlier this year, and I finally unboxed it and put it on my windshield (a rental while I'm on a business trip).

Never-the-less, what a great device for home or travel. The mount holds my iPhone in place so I can keep my eyes on the road while having an assist with driving directions from the smartphone.

A [suction cup](#) keeps it attached to the windshield, so there's nothing sticky left behind when removed. The company calls it patented suction technology, I call it a secure fit.

It includes an adjustable aluminum arm, and a FreeMount bracket, which will hold most every smartphone. Phones attach to the system with the integrated Steelie Ball part of the mounting system.

This all results in a secure hold, which you can adjust to any angle for viewing. When you're done, release your phone. It's that easy.

Since the FreeMount is magnetic, when your phone is still attached, you can mount it securely to other magnetic surfaces such as kitchen appliances.

An easy-to-use locking lever attached to the suction cup is the key to the system, which also features a quick release.

www.niteize.com \$44.99

The SpiderPro V2, an ergonomic camera-carrying solution for photographers, has been launched by Spider Camera Holster.

Professional photographers designed the updated holster system, enabling heavy DSLR cameras to be carried while limiting neck, shoulder and back strain.

I've used the system, which is comfortable but most importantly gives me instant, quick-draw access to my camera. Equipment is securely attached to me when not in use.

SpiderPro V2 plate has anti-slip rubber grips, an anti-twist pin composed of stainless steel for increased strength and an improved design for a seamless carrying experience. The plate attaches to the V2 belt, which has been updated to easily adjust, fitting users with waist sizes of 28 to 50 inches.

The SpiderPro Single Camera System (SCS) V2 sells for \$150, which includes the SpiderPro Holster V2, SpiderPro Plate V2, and SpiderPro Belt V2.

You can purchase the system as a whole or in pieces, just check the Spider Camera Holster site for details.

spiderholster.com

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