

Re: Crossovers

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I am looking for a GPS that can be used in the car (actually two cars) and for occasional hikes.

I like what I've read about the Garmin GPSMAP 60CSX but I fear the lack of voice prompts combined with the small display will make it less than wonderful for driving. If only it had voice prompts... <sigh>.

I can't be alone here. But the only product I have found that seems to be designed for this kind of usage appears to be the Magellan CrossoverGPS. Again, based on the reviews I've read, the implementation was **almost** successful but not quite.

Is anyone aware of another device I should be considering? Or should I just wait and see if Magellan produce a second generation crossover that is hopefully a little closer to perfect?

Some of my more important requirements:

- * Automotive/pocket/hand held
- * Waterproof and drop-proof
- * SIRF-III and WAAS
- * Provision for external antenna
- * Street Maps (USA)
- * Voice prompts
- * Routing and re-routing
- * Logging waypoints/routes
- * Decent battery life
- * USB

I just want a GPS; I don't need a poor cellphone, radio, MP3 player, camera, teevee, entertainment center, or coffee maker ;-)

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The Garmin Quest/Quest 2 meet all of your requirements except Sirf-III. Receiver performance is quite good though. Rarely have problem maintaining lock – once satellites are acquired. The bonus is much longer battery life in a shirt pocket sized unit – 20 hours. Sirf seems to use a lot more power.