

## TV Tuner

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What does a TV in an expedition vehicle? Well, that's what I asked myself too. However, the offering and the idea to be connected to the world also through pictures was very tempting. Finally I put everything else in the shade and bought this gadget. It is a simple DVB-T tuner with IR remote control and a 7" monitor. It carries the identification 'Standard SR-78' and does not have any special features. The costs were around 220 USD. The 10cm magnet antenna I have attached to the luggage rack on the roof and connected the TV with a very thin cable (but nevertheless shielded) through the motor compartment inside my Zebra.

As usual, if there is a digital connection, the tuner produces a perfect picture (not like analog). In Switzerland, I receive currently eight programs (as of 2009) that are expanded continuously. A good reception is possible in most of Continental Europe; even in France that has another TV norm. Only the British are somewhat the black sheep here as even in the Greater London area no reception was possible. Either they have not invented this feature yet or use the American TV norm. I don't know.

The TV tuner works fine so far. But there wasn't yet the chance to test it over a longer time period on rough territory, heath, low temperature or excessive humidity. This test is still pending.

With this gadget, I have enriched my rest periods during cold and rainy times on long solo trips with some variety.