

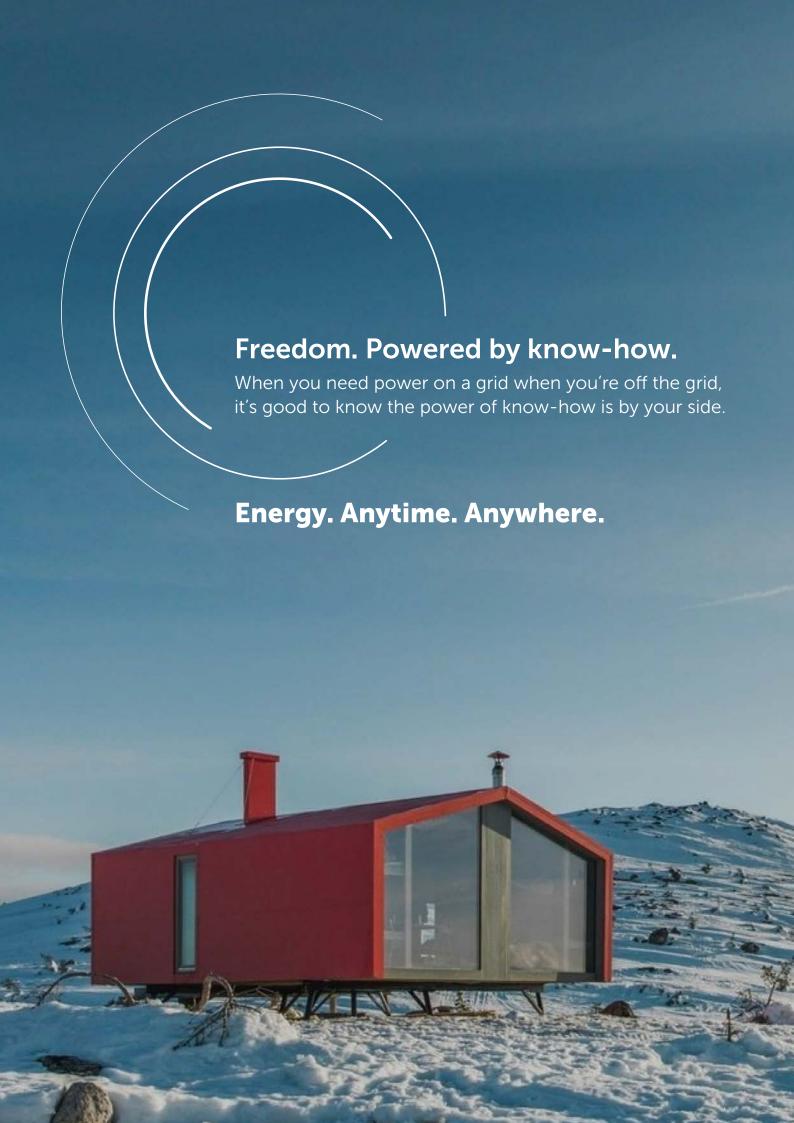
Off-Grid, Backup & Storage Systems

System examples











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## Introduction to systems design and helpful resources

Victron Energy offers one of the largest product ranges in the market to cover almost every power challenge.

Admitted, choosing the right system concept and products can be overwhelming. This booklet intends to assist with basics in systems design, covering a number of different system concepts and solutions for Off-grid, Backup and Storage.

Alternatively, check our helpful resources or feel free to discuss your ideas with a local Victron specialist.

Check our <u>Off-grid</u>, <u>Backup</u> and <u>Storage</u> market webpage to explore our deepdive with example calculations.



#### Product & design information

Our <u>product pages</u> on the website provide all necessary product information, such as product data sheets, product manuals, more system examples, enclosure drawings and certificates.

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Search in the **knowledge base** for questions and answers or ask our large and active community of experienced Victron users who can help answer your questions.

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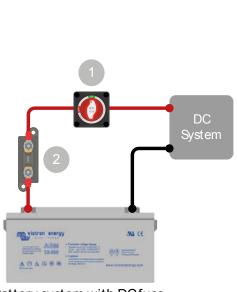
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### Energy Unlimited & Wiring Unlimited white papers

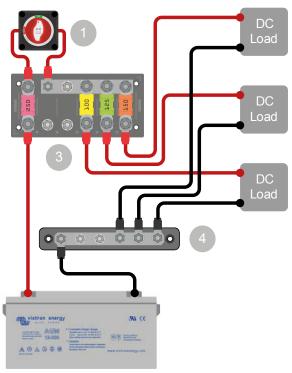
Understand the principles behind off-grid power systems and get your wiring right with Wiring Unlimited. Find these white papers and a large variety of technical papers and example system schematics in the **download section**.

#### **Contact your local Victron Energy dealer**

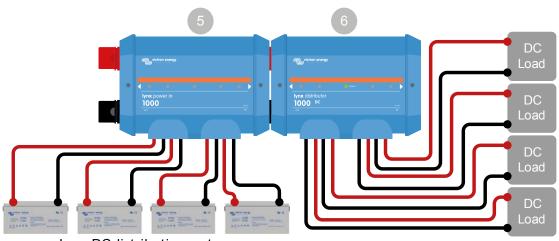
Authorized <u>Victron Energy dealers</u> are trained with the highest level of know-how, so they can translate your exact needs into robust solutions. They are ready and happy to help you with system design and, of course, can provide all the necessary and correct Victron Energy products for your system.



Battery system with DCfuse, DCbattery switch and DC loads.



Battery system with Busbar, fuse box and DCloads

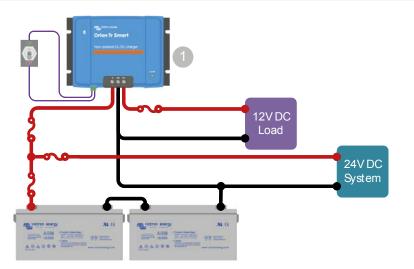


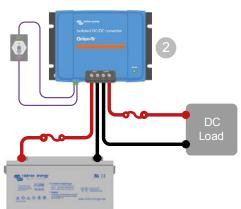
Lynx DC distribution system

ID	Items and notes
1	Battery Switch, rated 275A, suitable for 12, 24 or 48V systems.
2	Fuse holder with fuse.
3	Fuse box 6-way with a 250A busbar.
4	Busbar, available in 150, 250 or 600A rating. A variety of models with 4 up to 12 connection points.
5	Lynx Power In, contains a 1000A positive and negative busbar with connection points for 4 batteries or battery banks.
6	Lynx Distributor, contains a 1000A positive and negative busbar with connections for 4 fuses and their DC circuits.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
	Positive (red) and negative (black) DC cables. For the correct cable sizing see the Wiring Unlimited book.

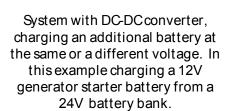


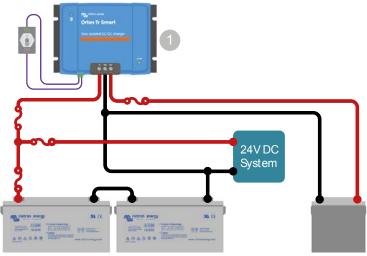
System with DC-DC converter, providing a different DC voltage to power a specific DC load or circuit. In this example powering 12V loads from a 24V battery bank.



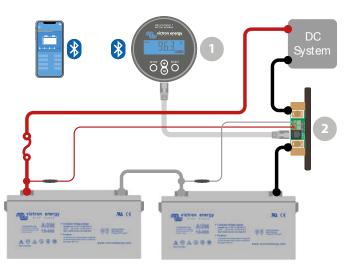


System with DC-DC converter, providing galvanic isolation between the battery and the DC load or circuit.

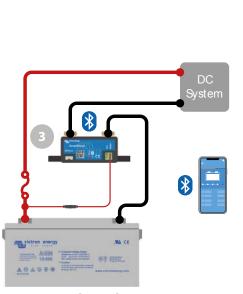




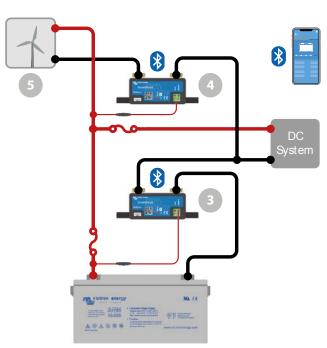
ID	Items and notes
1	Orion DC-DC Converter, isolated or non isolated, converts one voltage to another, can also be used to charge a battery.
2	Isolated Orion DC-DC Converter, a variety of models available with 12, 24 or 48V input and 12 or 24V output
	Optional on/off switch.
_	Remote on/off signal wire.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
<b>∽</b>	DCfuse.
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System with a BMV-712 Smart battery monitor. The battery bank is monitored and the auxiliary connection is used to monitor the battery bank midpoint.



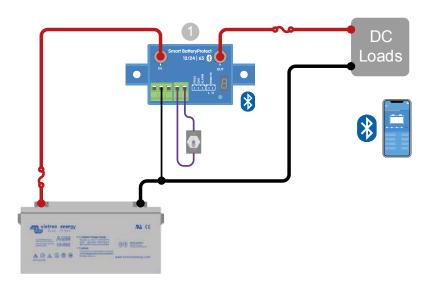
System with a Smart Shunt battery monitor.



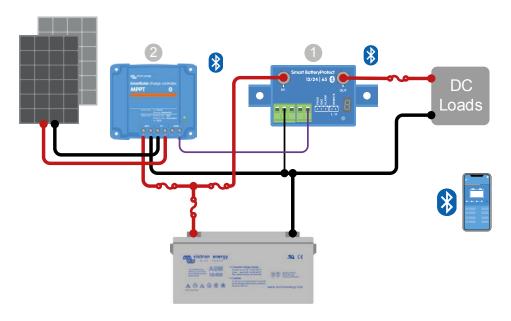
System with a Smart Shunt battery monitor and a Smart Shunt used as a DC meter.

ID	Items and notes
1	BMV-712 Smart battery monitor, available in various models, with and without auxiliary connection and/or Bluetooth.
2	Shunt for the BMV battery monitor, the shunt is included with the battery monitor.
3	Smart Shunt battery monitor, available in 500A, 100A or 2000A model.
4	Smart Shunt battery monitor configured as a DC meter, to measure the current from a DC charge source or DC load.
5	DC charge source, in this case a DC wind generator is used.
	RJ12 UTP cable (10m), included with the BMV battery monitor. Also available in lengths ranging from 30cm to 30m.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
-	Small DC fuse, included with the product.
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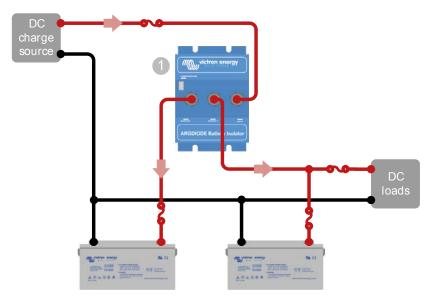


System with a BatteryProtect to protect the battery from being too far discharged by a DCload or DC circuit.

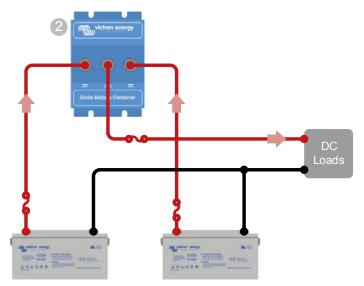


System with a small solar charger. The BatteryProtect is used to increase the load output current rating of the solar charger.

ID	Items and notes
1	BatteryProtect, available in 65, 100 or 220A models, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
2	Solar charger with load output, available in 10, 15 or 20A models, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
	Solar panel or solar array.
_	Remote on/off signal wire.
	Optional on/off switch.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
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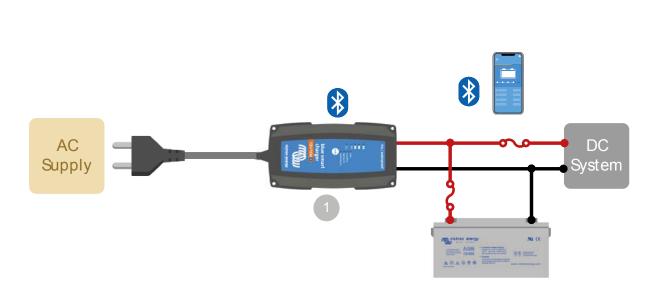
The Argodiode or Argofet battery isolator allows multiple battery banks to be charged from one charge source.



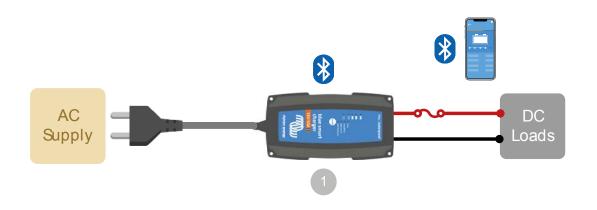
The Argodiode battery combiner combines two battery banks to supply a single DCload circuit. For example for use in DC backup systems.

ID	Items and notes
1	Argodiode or Argofet battery isolator, for 2 or 3 batteries, models ranging from 80 up to 200A, for 12 or 24V systems.
2	Argodiode battery combiner, 40A or 80A model, suitable for 12V or 24V systems.
	12 or 24V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
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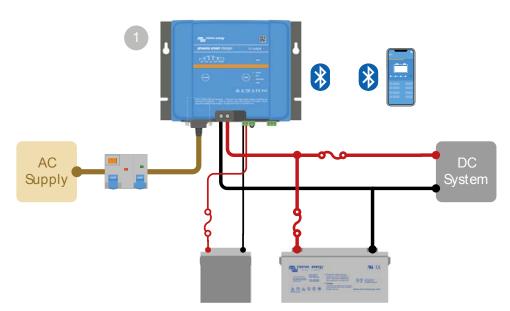


Battery charger used to charge a battery and providing power to DCloads.

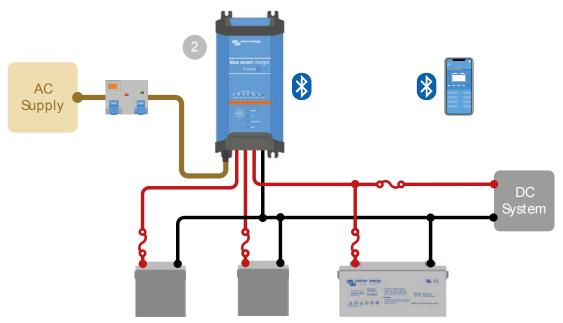


Battery charger used as a power supply.

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1	Blue Smart battery charger, available in 12 or 24V, up to 25A.
-	AC plug and cable, available in EUR, UK, USA and AU/NZ versions.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
\$	DCfuse.
	Positive (red) and negative (black) DC cables. For the correct cable sizing see the Wiring Unlimited book.



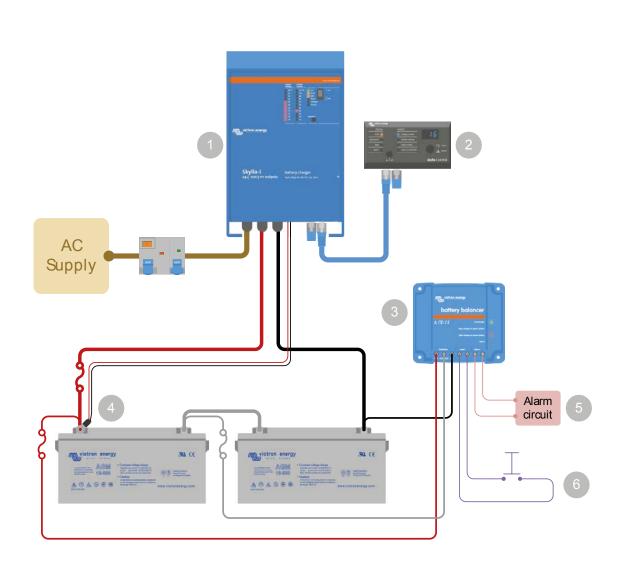
Battery charger used to charge a main battery and provides a maintenance charge to a smaller battery, like a generator starter battery.



Battery charger with 3 full rated charge outputs, charging 3 batteries simultaneously.

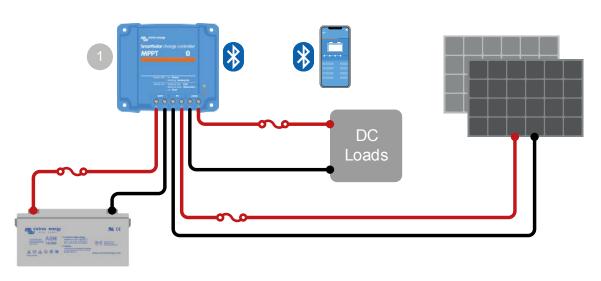
ID	Items and notes
0	Phoenix Smart IP43 Charger, available in 1+1 models and in 3 output models in 12 or 24V up to 50A.
2	Blue Smart IP22 Charger, available in single output or 3 output models for 12 or 24V up to 30A.
	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
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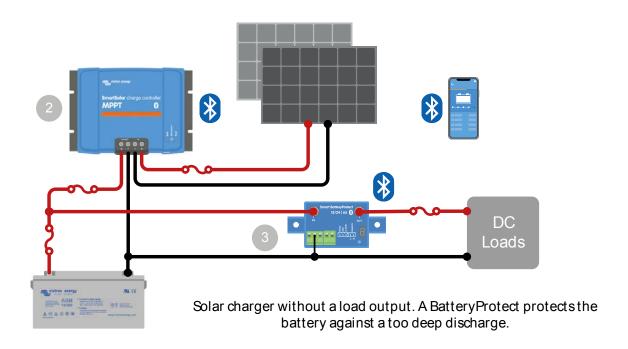


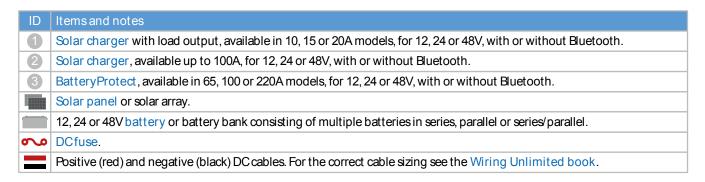
System with a Skylla battery charger and a battery balancer. The battery balancer ensures that both batteries in a 24V system are charged equally.

ID	Items and notes
1	Skylla-i battery charger, 24V up to 100A. Or use a Skylla-TG Charger, 24 or 48V up to 100A (also a 3 phase model).
2	The Skylla-i Control GX monitors and controls the Skylla-i battery charger.
3	Battery Balancer. Can be used in 24 or 48V systems. In case of a 48V system 3 balancers are needed.
4	Temperature sensor, ships together with the Skylla-i.
5	Alarm circuit, connected to the battery balancer alarm relay.
6	Alarm reset switch.
	RJ45 UTP cable, available in lengths ranging from 30 cm to 30m.
	VE.Can RJ45 terminator, 2 pieces are included with the VE.Can product.
8 8	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	12 or 24V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
\$	DCfuse.
	Positive (red) and negative (black) DC cables. For the correct cable sizing see the Wiring Unlimited book.

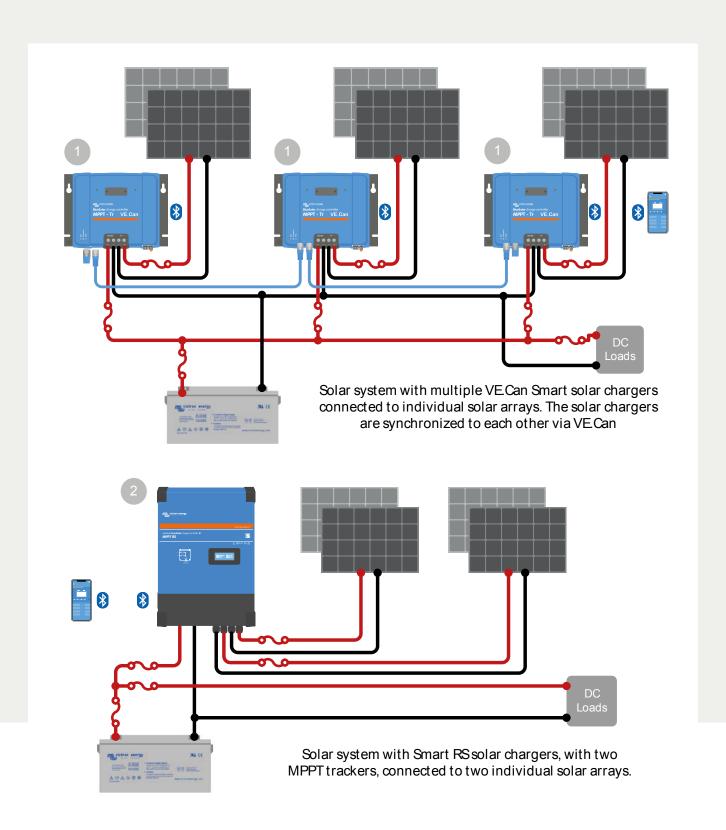


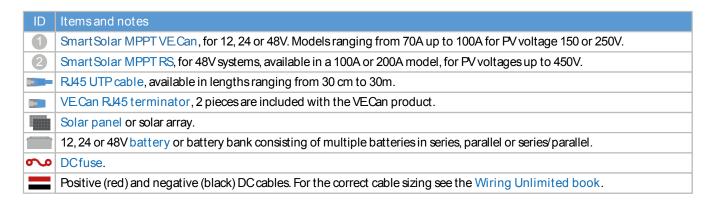
Solar charger with a load output. The load output protects the battery against a too deep discharge.

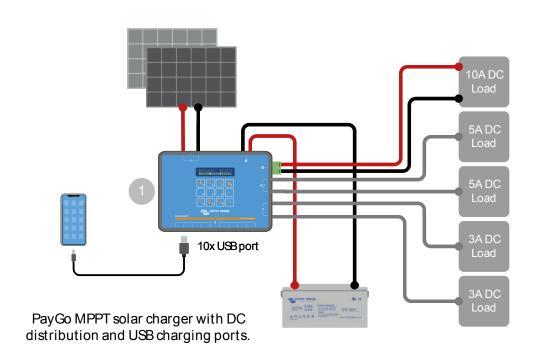


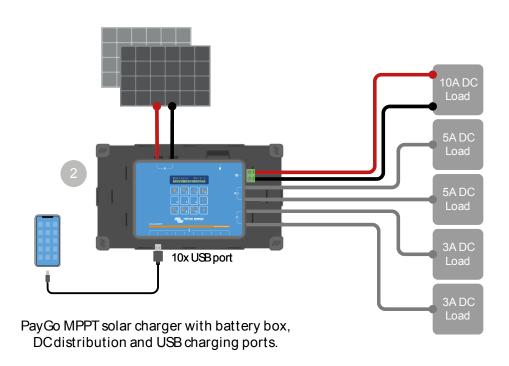




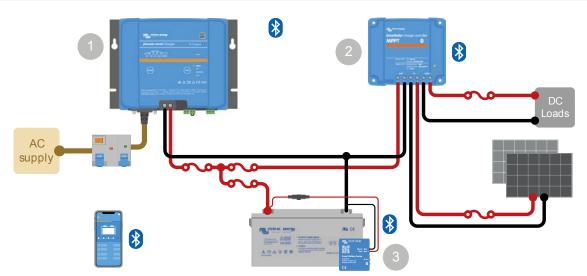




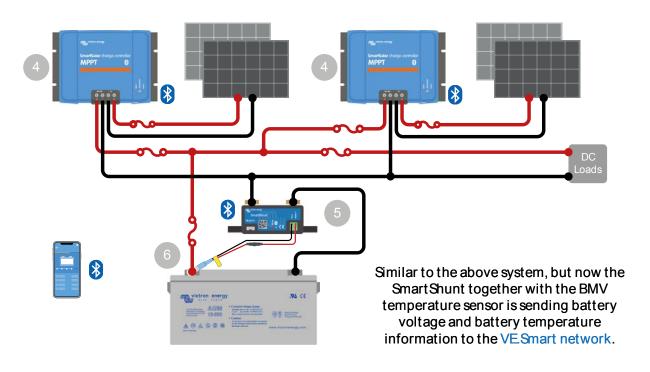




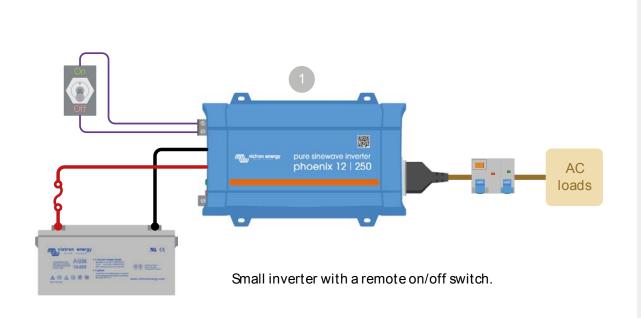
ID	Items and notes
1	The SHS 200 MPPT is a 200Wp MPPT solar charger for 12V batteries with DC distribution designed for PayGo operations.
2	The Battery Box for SHS 200 is a dedicated battery box for the SHS 200 MPPT.
	Solar panel or solar array.
	DC cable with barrel plug.
	12V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries connected in parallel.
	Positive (red) and negative (black) DC cables. For the correct cable sizing see the Wiring Unlimited book.

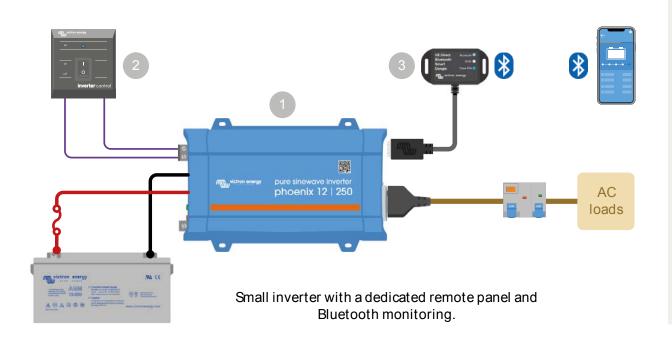


The Smart Battery Sense sends battery temperature and voltage information via Bluetooth and the VE Smart Network to the solar charger and the AC charger and is used for temperature and voltage compensated charging.



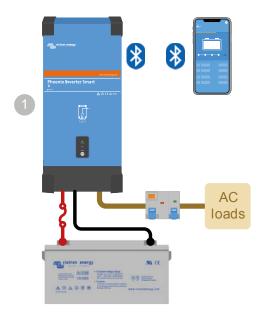
ID	Items and notes
0	12, 24 or 48V Battery charger.
2	Solar charger with load output, available in 10, 15 or 20A models, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
3	Smart Battery Sense, a wireless battery voltage and temperature sensor.
4	Solar charger, available up to 100A, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
5	Smart Shunt battery monitor, available in 500, 100 or 2000A model.
6	Temperature sensor for BMV-712 Smart and BMV-702.
8.8	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	Solar panel or solar array.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
	Small DC fuse, included with the product.
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	Positive (red) and negative (black) DC cables. For the correct cable sizing see the Wiring Unlimited book.





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0	Phoenix Inverter VE.Direct, available in 12, 24 or 48V models ranging from 250 up to 1200VA.
2	Phoenix Inverter Control VE.Direct for on/off control of the Phoenix VE.Direct inverter.
3	VE Direct Bluetooth Smart dongle to enable a Bluetooth connection to the VictronConnect app.
	Optional on/off switch.
_	Remote on/off signal wire.
	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
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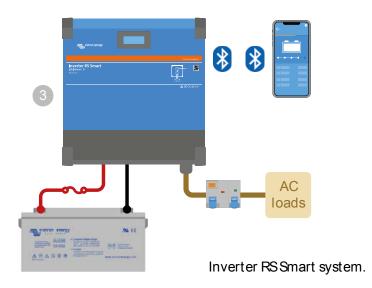




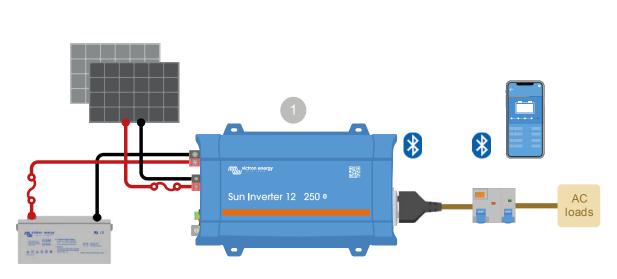
Phoenix Inverter Smart system.



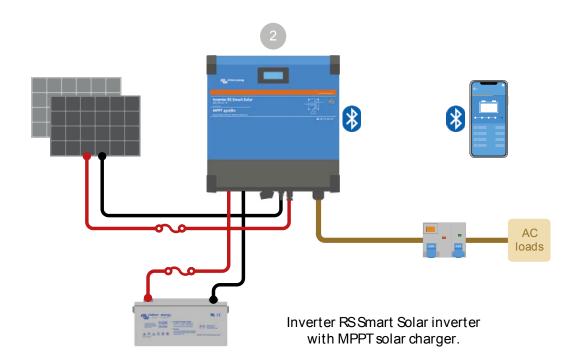
Phoenix Inverter system. Multiple inverters can be connected in parallel and/or in single or 3-phase configurations.



ID	Items and notes
1	The Phoenix Inverter Smart for 12, 24 or 48V systems, available in models ranging from 1600VA to 5kVA.
2	The Phoenix Inverter for 12, 24 or 48V systems, available in a 3 or a 5kVA model.
3	The Inverter RS Smart for 48V systems, available in a 6kVA model.
	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	Solar panel or solar array.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
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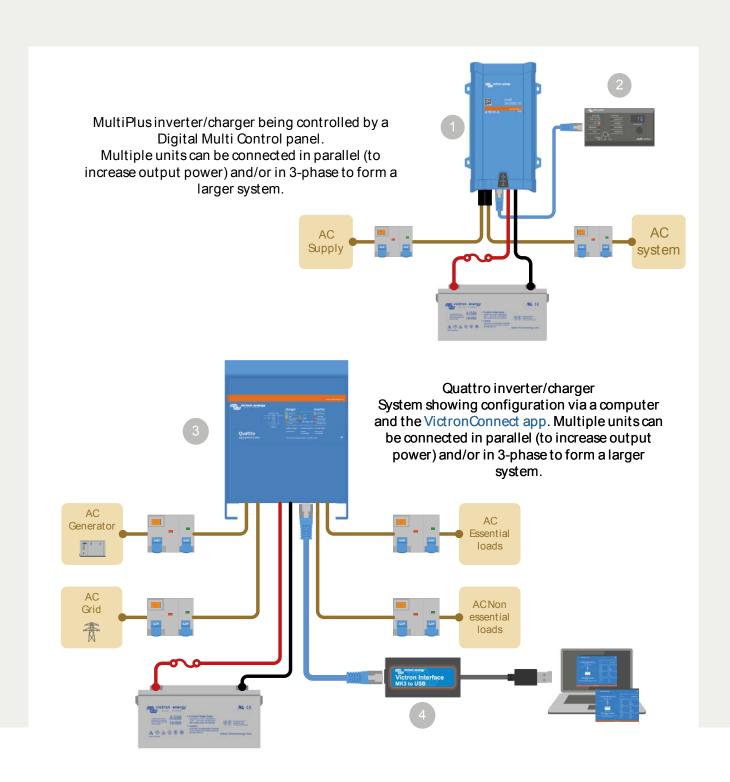


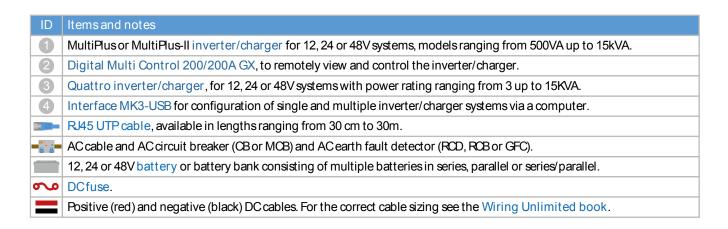
SUN inverter with PWM solar charger.

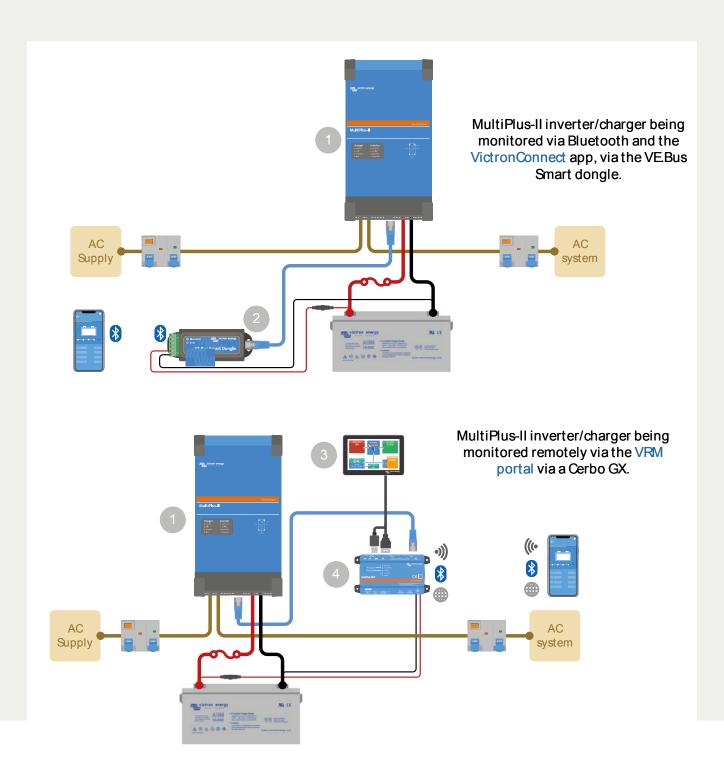


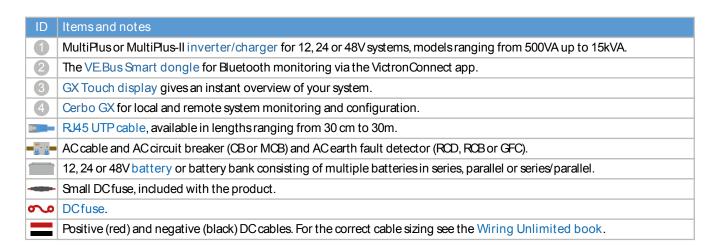
ID	Items and notes
1	SUN Inverter, a 12 or 24V, 250VA inverter with a PWM solar charger rated at 15A for 12V or 10A for 24V. (future product).
2	Inverter RS Smart Solar, a 48V, 6kVA inverter with a 80-450Vdc, 4kW MPPT solar charger.
	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	Solar panel or solar array.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
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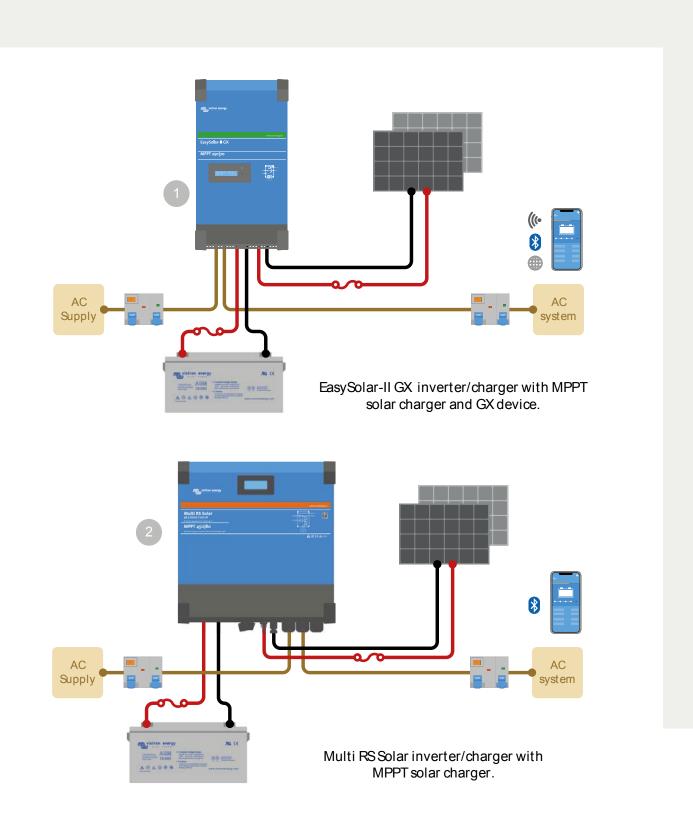


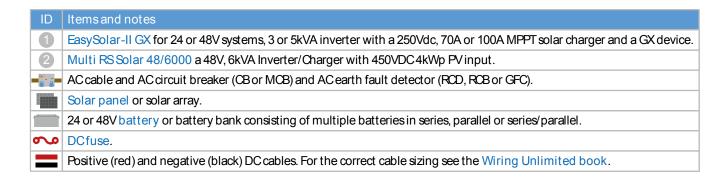


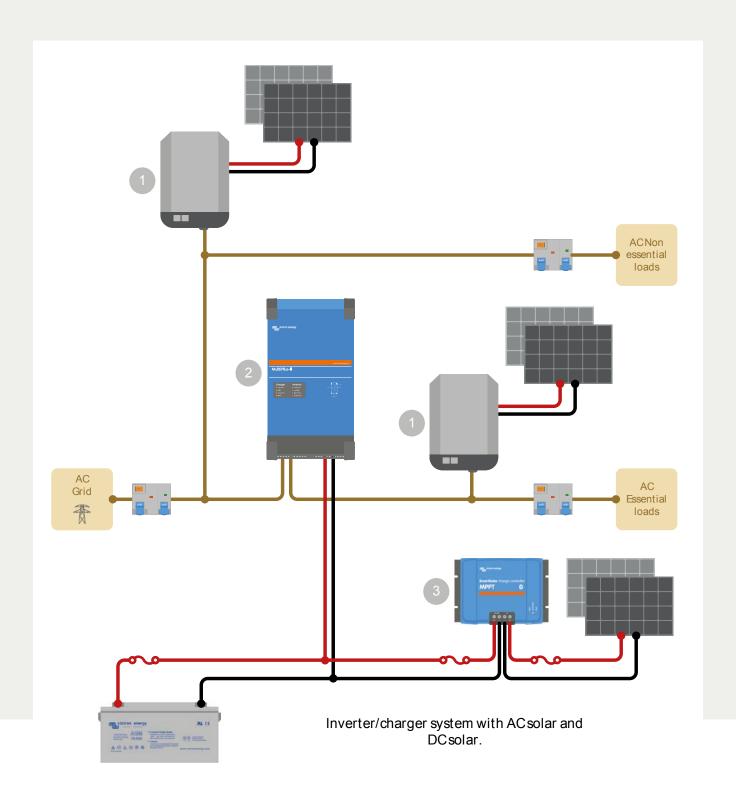




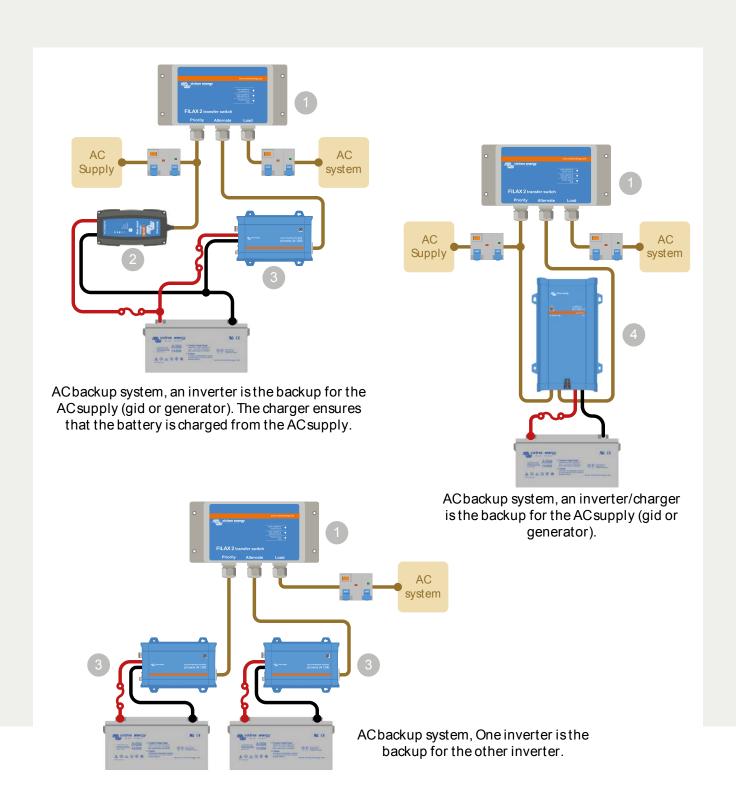


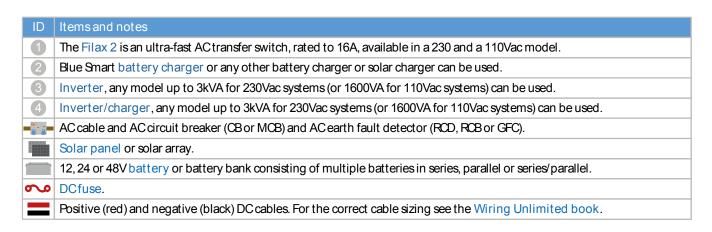


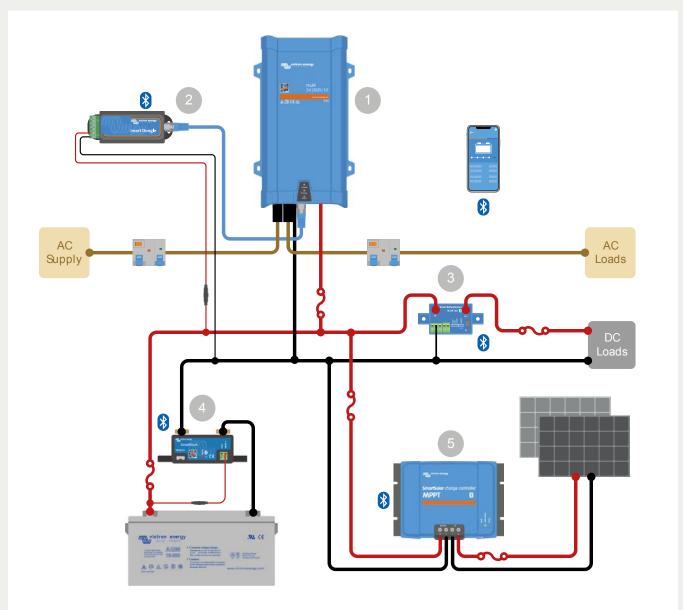




ID	Items and notes
1	ACPV inverter
2	MultiPlus(-II) or Quattro(-II) inverter/charger for 12, 24 or 48V systems, models ranging from 500VA up to 15kVA.
3	Solar charger, available up to 100A, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
	Solar panel or solar array.
	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and/or AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
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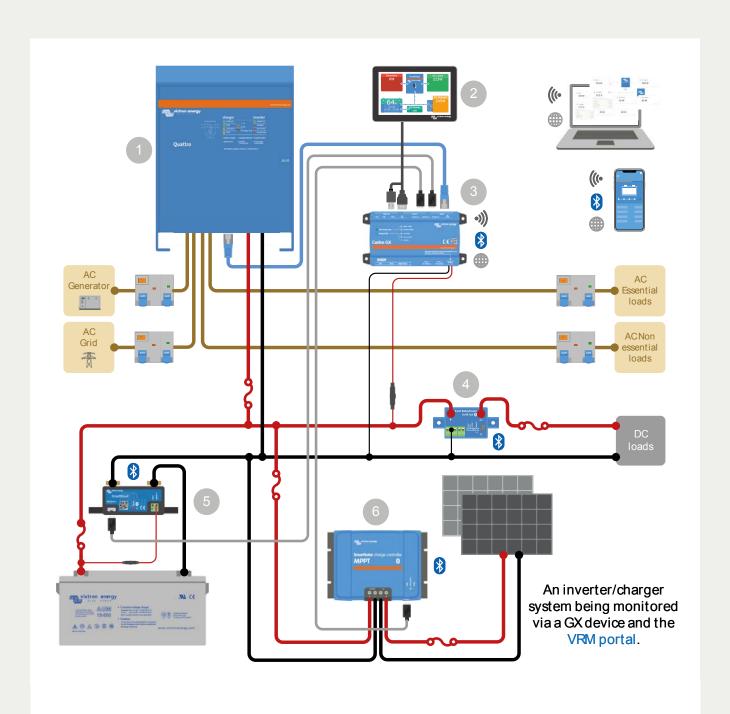


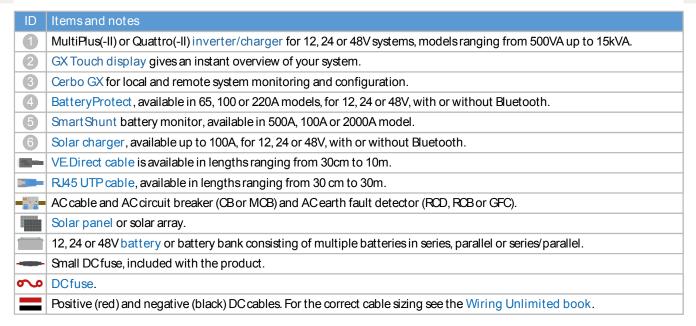


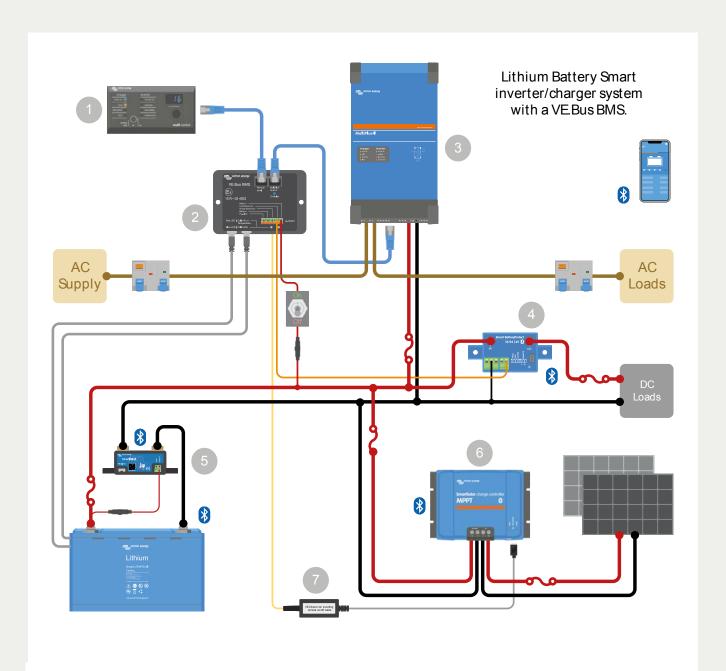
An inverter/charger system being monitored via Bluetooth and the VictronConnect app, via the VE.Bus Smart dongle.

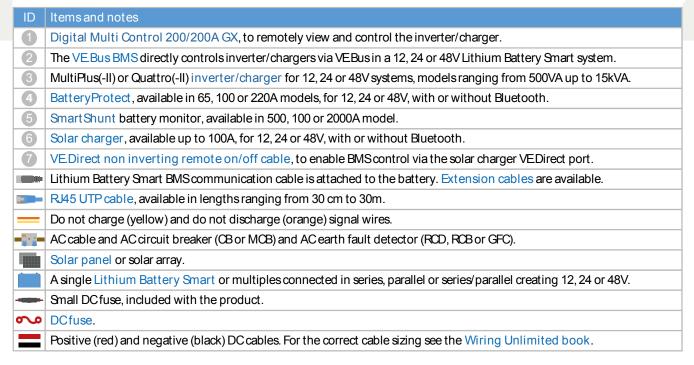
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1	MultiPlus or MultiPlus-II inverter/charger for 12, 24 or 48V systems, models ranging from 500VA up to 15kVA.
2	The VE.Bus Smart dongle for Bluetooth monitoring via the VictronConnect app.
3	BatteryProtect, available in 65, 100 or 220A models, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
4	Smart Shunt battery monitor, available in 500A, 100A or 2000A model.
5	Solar charger, available up to 100A, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
	RJ45 UTP cable, available in lengths ranging from 30 cm to 30m.
	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	Solar panel or solar array.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
-	Small DC fuse, included with the product.
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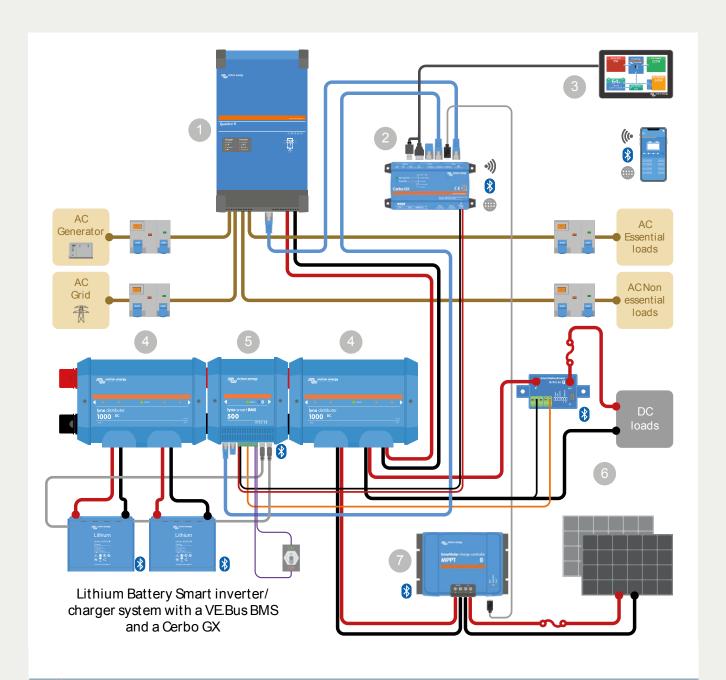


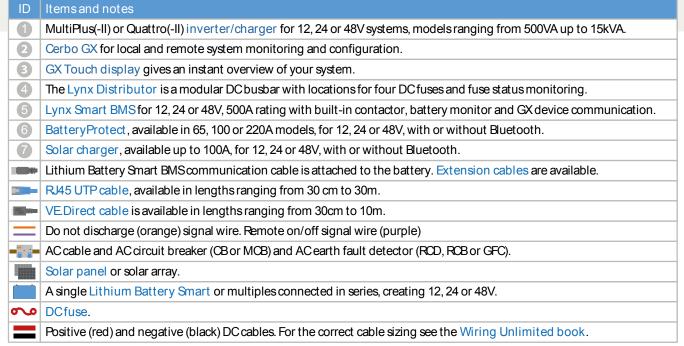


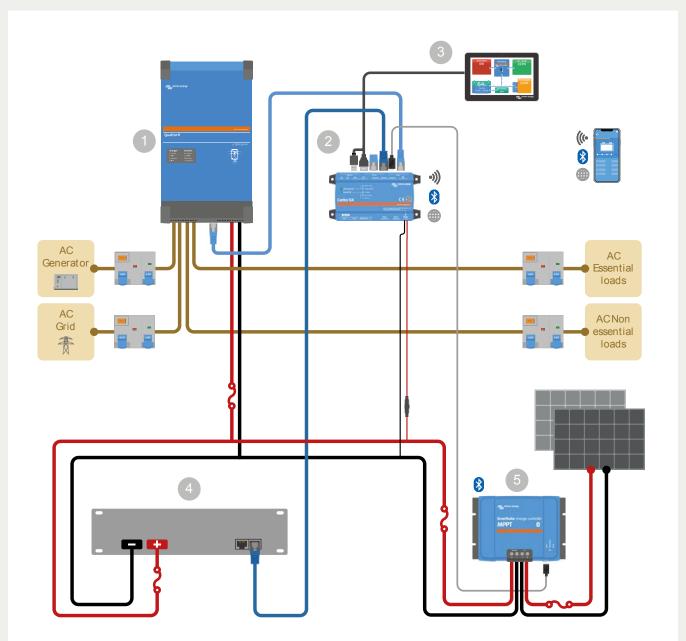






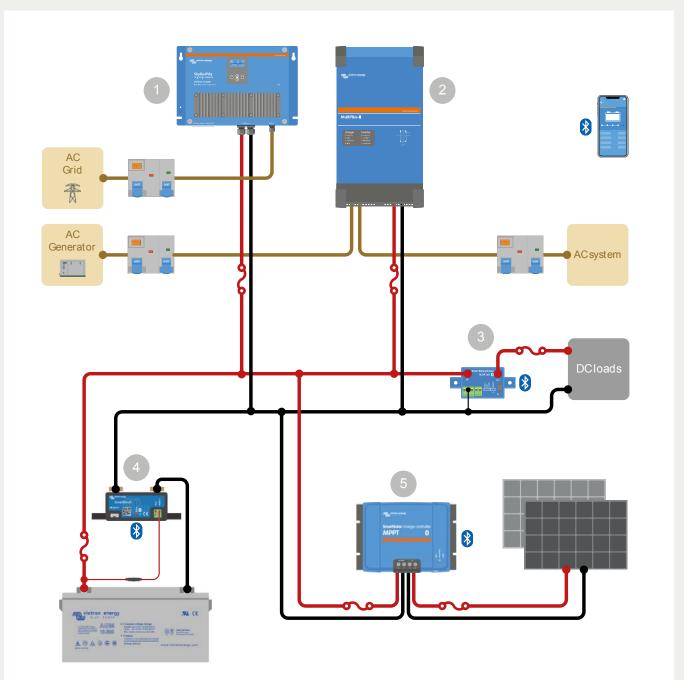






System with inverter/charger and a self managed battery and a Cerbo GX.

ID	Items and notes
1	MultiPlus(-II) or Quattro(-II) inverter/charger for 12, 24 or 48V systems, models ranging from 500VA up to 15kVA.
2	Cerbo GX for local and remote system monitoring and configuration.
3	GX Touch display gives an instant overview of your system.
4	Single or multiple self managed battery 12, 24, 48V.
5	Solar charger, available up to 100A, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
	VE.Can to CAN-bus BMS cable for communication between managed battery and GX device, available in type A or B.
	RJ45 UTP cable, available in lengths ranging from 30 cm to 30m.
	VE.Can RJ45 terminator.
	Solar panel or solar array.
	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
-	Small DC fuse, included with the product.
\$	DCfuse.
	Positive (red) and negative (black) DC cables. For the correct cable sizing see the Wiring Unlimited book.



Inverter system decoupled from the grid, use when the grid is unsuitable as an input for an inverter/charger.

ID	Items and notes
0	12, 24 or 48V Battery charger.
2	MultiPlus(-II) or Quattro(-II) inverter/charger for 12, 24 or 48V systems, models ranging from 500VA up to 15kVA.
3	BatteryProtect, available in 65, 100 or 220A models, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
4	Smart Shunt battery monitor, available in 500, 100 or 2000A model.
5	Solar charger, available up to 100A, for 12, 24 or 48V, with or without Bluetooth.
	AC cable and AC circuit breaker (CB or MCB) and AC earth fault detector (RCD, RCB or GFC).
	Solar panel or solar array.
	12, 24 or 48V battery or battery bank consisting of multiple batteries in series, parallel or series/parallel.
-	Small DC fuse, included with the product.
<b>∽</b>	DCfuse.
	Positive (red) and negative (black) DC cables. For the correct cable sizing see the Wiring Unlimited book.

#### Why Victron?

At Victron Energy we're as dedicated and driven to making and improving power solutions today as we were when we started in 1975. Thanks to our customer feedback loop, data and knowledge sharing, we innovate 24/7. We are powered by know-how, it keeps us going and our users going, ensuring peace of mind in off-grid for years to come.



#### It's not one thing that makes it all work.

Our modular, robust and connected off-grid systems have been proven to deliver unequalled reliability time and time again, even in the harshest of climates. But it's our unique combination of up-to-date hardand software, intelligent monitoring apps, the network of highly trained authorized professionals and widespread repair centers that turns a Victron Energy system into an unbeatable system, that is Powered by know-how.





#### Reliability powers long service life cycles.

When making power supply investment decisions, calculations purely based on price can be deceptive. Their true performance and expected service life cycle are equally important. Good thing Victron Energy equipment lives up to their specifications, both in terms of performance and expected life cycle (when used as designed). Our 5 or 10 year warranty and fair and fast repair policies mean your investments are protected and under most circumstances, won't let you down.





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#### How efficiency translates into great cost-effectiveness.

With battery-based systems, efficiency is always key to providing great levels of cost-effectiveness. From our incredibly efficient SmartSolar Charge Controllers to the way our inverter/ chargers can provide a super-efficient Energy Storage or off-grid system, with a Blue Power system you can be sure that all the details are thought through. This, combined with our reputation for extreme resilience and expected life cycles, translates into cost-effective solutions, especially when compared to 'cheaper' options.



#### Intelligent monitoring means optimized systems.

Monitoring is crucial to fine tune and optimize energy harvest and use based on ever changing circumstances. With Victron you can experience the power of know-how right from your hand. Through our industry leading and free Victron-Connect app, you always have perfect control over your system from wherever you are. With our app and VRM portal you can monitor the complete system, change settings and catch potential issues early by programming alerts and alarms.



### Our worldwide network of Authorized dealers is by your side.

Our global network of  $\pm 1000$  highly trained distributors, installers and service partners are always on hand to help. From stock advice, installation recommendations, after-care and technical support.

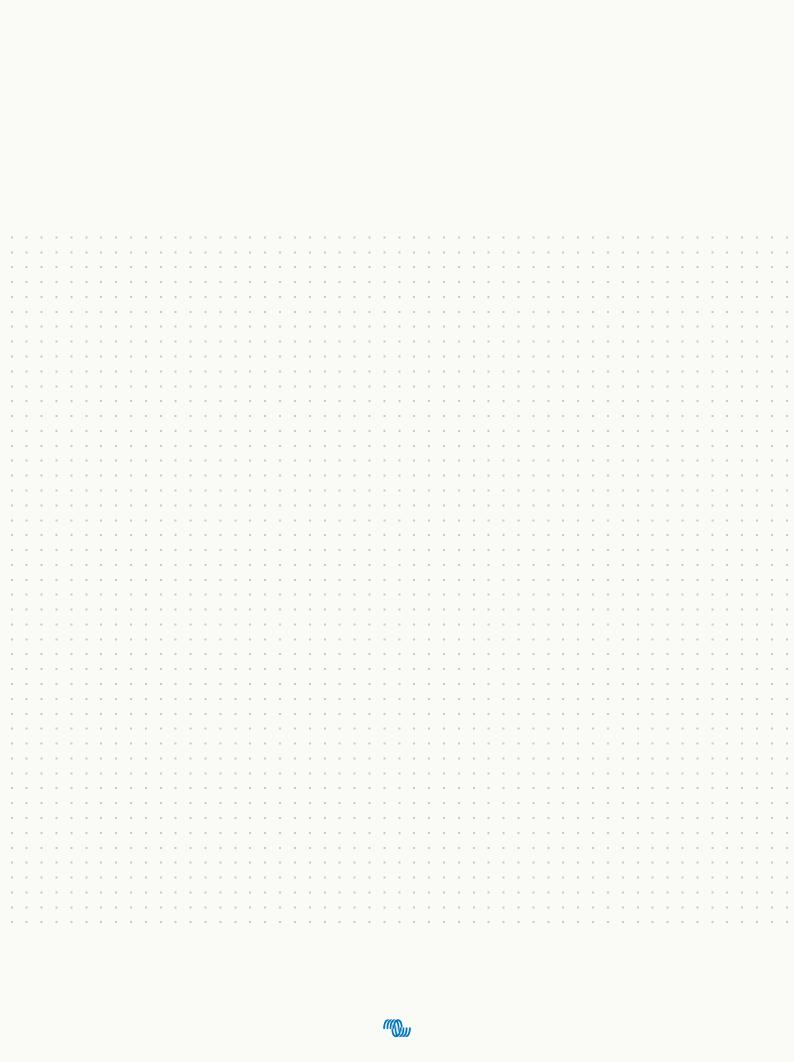
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# System schematic drawing & requirements



Always feel free to contact your local Victron dealer, they are happy to help and trained with the highest of know-how to translate your needs into a robust system. Find your local dealer at 'Where to buy' on our website.





## Flexible building blocks to solve any kind of power challenge

With Victron Energy you have one of the widest ranges of robust connected power products that keep performing, even in the harshest of climates. Our up-to-date solutions counter most off-grid issues and can be fine-tuned to the most demanding and specific needs.







With the power of know how by your side, you get **Energy. Anytime. Anywhere.** 

