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Top 10 Portable Grills

Best Gas, Charcoal or Electric Grills You Can Take Anywhere

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The 10 best portable grills to take on the road whether it's a trip to the beach, a picnic or camping. These grills offer a wide variety of options from gas to charcoal with many great features. If you are in the market for a grill you can pack away until you need it, these are the units you should be looking at. Updated for 2008.

1. [European Outdoor Chef City Grill](#)¹



This is a little, lightweight portable gas grill with the features, function and power of a full sized grill. The internal engineering centers around a pair of baffles (for lack of a better word) that allow you to focus the heat or distribute it. This gives you heating versatility in a single burner design. Under normal grilling you actually get a hot zone around the outside so you have lots of searing space and since you can reach over 500 degrees F. with this unit you can actually sear a steak. This is an excellent portable grill as well as a great apartment grill.

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2. [Weber Q-220 Portable Grill](#)⁵



This portable grill is a master of design. It packs up to be less than 32 inches long, yet its seven inch lid means this grill is big enough to cook a whole chicken. It uses standard 14 ounce propane tanks (not included) and has a 280 square-inch porcelain-enameled cast-iron cooking grate that's almost big enough to be called a full sized grill. At under \$200 this grill has Weber's durability and a unique design that has won awards. Not only a great grill to cook on, it's cool looking too.

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*Weber-Stephen
Products Company*

3. [Solaire Anywhere Portable Infrared Grill](#)⁹



Imagine the power of an infrared grill in a portable. This 14,000 BTU infrared grill packs more heat than any other portable grill and at 20 pounds you can take it almost anywhere. All stainless steel construction you can even get this grill in marine quality steel with a railing mount for boating. 155 square inches of grilling area. Uses either disposable propane bottles or can be converted to a full 20 pound tank or even natural gas.

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Works, Inc.*

4. [Woodflame Delecto](#)¹³

Imagine getting authentic wood fire flavor in your cooking. Now imagine getting it from a portable grill that weights around 17 pounds. The Woodflame Delecto is an electric fan powered wood burning portable grill that can sear steaks at 1000 degrees F. and give them a unique smoke flavor. This is truly an amazing portable grill that is perfect for the connoisseur on the go. While this unit won't cook a whole chicken it is perfect for steaks, fish and chicken pieces.

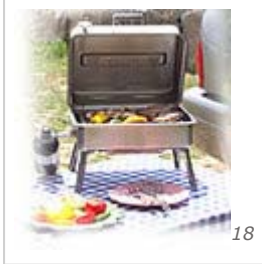


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Woodflame

5. Grill-4-All¹⁷



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While very traditional in design this completely stainless steel portable gas grill heats quickly and evenly and is easy to clean. The relatively large cooking area and good heat output will give you very real grilling in a 15 pound portable. These units last forever and are easy to take care off. This unit has a good selection of accessories including extendable legs that bring it to 32 inches height and the option to switch to gas, charcoal or electric.

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Grill4All

6. Weber Smokey Joe Gold²¹



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This is the classic charcoal portable grill. Like a smaller version of the Weber Kettle Grill, this unit has plenty of versatility. With it's 14 inch diameter cooking area you can grill six burgers at once. While it doesn't have all the bells and whistles of the gas portables at under \$50 this is a great deal. You can also count on this grill to last for years. This unit has a locking lid for easy carrying and you can lock the lid on the side of the grill as a wind shield.

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7. Cobb Premier Grill²⁴



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The Cobb grill has been repeatedly praised as one of the most unique and versatile portable grills on the market. This unit will run on eight charcoal briquettes for up to three hours, will never flare-up, and can cook a whole chicken as easily as burgers. Light weight, easy to light and operate, this grill is perfect for virtually every outing. It doesn't even get hot on the exterior so you can pick it up while cooking to move it. The only real draw back is the relative small size. The cooking area is a little under 12 inches and doesn't give you a lot of space. Other than that this is a great little grill.

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8. Holland Companion²⁸



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If you know Holland then you'll know this is a good grill. All stainless steel with the Holland cooking system that makes flare-ups impossible. This propane powered portable has more than 200 square inches of cooking area and an adjustable cooking temperature. This is a table top unit with dual layer stainless steel to keep the outside from getting too hot to handle.

[Manufacturer's Site](#) ³⁰

The Holland Grill

9. Parker Grill³¹

This is a stainless steel suitcase grill, like the old style cook stoves but with a model look and grilling ability. A powerful 20,000 BTU burner provides a lot of heat and the



wind shields and baffles maintain a steady temperature no matter the wind. Runs on a standard portable propane bottle and the grill holds not only the regulator, but two bottles as well when folded up. The size of a normal briefcase, this grill can be stowed away almost anywhere.

[Manufacturer's Site](#) ³³

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Parker USA

10. Char-Broil Grill 2 Go³⁴



This unit is designed to be all you need in a portable grill. With two cooking grates that can be swapped out with griddles you can grill up burgers while cooking pancakes. You can use any size propane bottle, including a full size 20-pound tank. The unit folds down and you can wheel it around like a suitcase on it's two wheels. While there are a lot of plastic parts, this unit works well can gives you plenty of versatility.

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