

# Windows Vista

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## Increase your laptop's battery life by an hour!

Unless you're in constant contact with a power socket when you're on the move, then your laptop battery will probably last about 2-3 hours - maybe more if you're lucky.

When you're not near a mains plug, you can extend the battery life of your laptop PC with this handy download.

There's no electrical trickery involved - the Vista Battery Saver simply disables Windows Aero and/or Windows Sidebar; both of which contribute to the drain of your battery life.

Once installed, the Vista Battery Saver sits discretely in your taskbar.



When you want to adjust its power saving options, just double click on the Vista Battery Saver icon and it will open a window from which you can do this.



To get it, go to [www.codeplex.com/vistabattery](http://www.codeplex.com/vistabattery), select the Releases tab and click on the VistaBatterySaverSetup.msi link to start the download.

**To further increase your laptop's battery life; don't forget to do the following things when you head out:**

- Turn off wireless and Bluetooth (if you're not using it)
- Remove unused start programs
- Turn off your speakers
- Make sure you don't have a CD or DVD in the drive

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