

## Personal Tech

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### Alone in the Woods? Not Anymore



Although you can't improve on nature, you can grab some of the newest tech gear designed to enhance the way you experience it. Following are tough, outdoor-friendly products that can take solar power to campsites and music to ski slopes or the surf, computers that can track cyclists' performance, watches that can serve as compasses and tell weather conditions, and an extreme-sport video camera that can mount on a skateboard or a helmet. — JOSH CONDON



#### Timex Expedition WS4

You might have a watch that tells the time, the date and maybe even the phases of the moon. But can your watch tell you the temperature and the weather report in your area for the next 12 to 24 hours? It can if it's [this Timex](#) available for about \$150. It is basically an ultrarugged survival minicomputer that straps to your wrist.

The wide dashboard display shows elevation, weather and compass heading at a glance, and an intuitive interface lets you pull up tools like a barometer, a chronograph and an activity review. Oh, and it also tells time.

