

Samsung unveils rugged Galaxy phone for the outdoor type

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Samsung has created a new smartphone that can handle the great outdoors and even spend time underwater.

Announced today, the [Galaxy Xcover 2](#) [1] is built as a durable and rugged device, according to Samsung. The phone is both dustproof and sandproof.

It can also hold its breath underwater, at least at a depth of around three feet for up to 30 minutes. You probably won't be making too many phone calls under the water, but the Xcover 2's camera can come in handy if you want to snap photos of life under the sea.

The phone provides Google map information and an enhanced GPS/GLONASS feature. Combining both the U.S.-based GPS and Russia's [GLONASS](#) [2] can track your location more accurately, according to Samsung.

The camera's LED flash is bright enough so it can be used like a torch in dark conditions. The 1,700mAh battery boasts a capacity of 570 hours. To get in shape, the phone includes a Cardio Trainer Pro app so you can set up and monitor a personalizing training program.

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