

Essential equipment

FOR FILMING VIDEO ON YOUR PHONE

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Tripod

There are many smartphone tripods on the market, and honestly you don't need to spend a ton here.

This is a great option for \$35

And **this is the attachment** you need to go on the top to hold your phone.

Sometimes a taller setup is helpful, I suggest just getting a **light stand like this**.

They're cheap, light and you can screw that same phone attachment (above) onto it.



Light

Lots of people love a ring light - but personally they're not my fav as you can often see the circle reflection in your eyes. There are ways to minimise this, but I prefer LED panels.

This is a great one with lovely diffused light like a softbox (note you will need a light stand for this as mentioned in the tripod section)

If you have your heart set on a ring light avoid the cheap kmart ones, the light they emit is nasty.

This is a cool kit with a phone holder (so you don't need a tripod) but you will still need a light stand for the actual light (as mentioned in the tripod section)

Mic

I recommend spending a bit more on mics to get quality. You have two options here, wired or wireless.

Wired can be a bit limited by cord length but they're less fiddly. Wireless can be great, but you have to check every single bit of audio after you've filmed it in case it disconnected.

For a wired option **I like this**.

Please note for an iPhone you'll need **this connector** to go with it. And for Android you'll need **this connector** to go with it.

For a wireless you have two options depending on what phone you have. **This for iPhone** and **this for Android**.

But every man and his dog are drop shipping cheap wireless mics these days, just google 'wireless lapel phone mic' and you can find them for around \$40 or \$50. They won't last as long, but are good if you have a tight budget.

