

SOHO SOLAR USB FESTOON LIGHTS

USER GUIDE

“If your mobile phone doesn’t work because there is no signal you don’t blame the phone, you blame the location and the same should apply to solar lights.”

- a very clever SolarCentre customer.

Solar lights won’t turn on when it is light!

Solar lights turn on automatically at night and off automatically when its light. If you want to test your solar light, but you are outside during the day or you are in a lit room, you will need to trick the solar panel into thinking it is dark by covering the solar panel completely.

Reality check...

Our products have been designed to work year-round in the UK so long as they are in a good enough location to charge and so long as the weather isn't too dull for too long. We use a simple formula based on how much power the solar panel can produce each day versus how much power the LEDs consume after dark. We then factor in the average amount of sun hours in the UK (not much) and an average customer solar panel location. Sadly, there are two things we can't control. 1. The weather. 2. Where the customer decides to position their panel. Please always make sure your solar panel is in a clear south, south-east or south-west facing location and please remember that there will be dull spells in every year where even the best positioned solar lights will struggle.

Installing your lights

Use the supplied fittings to either stake your Soho solar panel into your lawn or flower bed, or screw it onto a wall or decking. Before stake mounting, check the ground is not too hard before pushing the stake into the ground. If the ground is too hard, pour water on the desired area to soften it and make a hole using a strong metal object before pushing your stake into that hole. Once the stake is in place, gently ease the solar panel onto it. **Please do not attempt to drive the stake into the ground with the solar panel attached as this may cause damage. Any damage caused to your solar panel as a result of attempting to drive it into hard ground is not covered by your warranty.** Once your solar panel is installed, hang, drape or wind your lights from, on or around an adjacent object. N.B. Putting too much stress on your LED light string can significantly reduce the life of the product. Always ensure that there is some slack on the cable and never leave the solar panel dangling unsupported. If you plan to wind your LED light string around trees, do not wind the string too tightly as the diameter of the tree trunk will increase as it grows which will stress the string over time and might harm the tree. **Failure to follow this guidance may invalidate your warranty.**

Operating your lights

Your Snowdrop lights have been designed to work using the supplied remote control. You can turn the lights on and off using the power button on the underside of the solar panel and you have limited control of the lighting modes using the mode button beneath it, but for full control see the remote control diagram below.



REMOTE CONTROL



1. On
2. Off
3. Lighting modes
4. Timer settings
5. Static AB Colour Mixing
6. Static colour selection (red, green, blue, orange, cyan etc).

Please note that this is a generic remote control unit which is used for a variety of different products so not all buttons will function on your Soho Solar USB Festoon Lights.

USB CHARGING

Your Soho lights have been designed to work year-round using solar power alone, but they can also be charged quickly and easily via USB. Simply disconnect the solar panel, take it inside and plug a USB-C cable (not supplied) into the USB port on the underside of the solar panel and connect to a computer or USB plug adapter. **Please do not leave your solar panel unattended for extended periods while it is plugged in to a USB power source.**

TROUBLESHOOTING

We have been selling and designing solar lights for 16 years now and in our experience solar lights that work are hardly ever faulty! That might seem like we're stating the obvious, but it is so true. Lights that only work for half an hour after dark or lights that only turn on occasionally are just struggling to get enough charge 99% of the time. To test this turn the light off for three days (ensuring at least one sunny day has passed) and then turn it back on and see how long it works for that night. Another thing to look out for is nearby light. Light coming from another outdoor light or even light coming from inside a house can be enough to stop a solar light from turning on automatically. You can test that by completely covering the solar panel to see if it then turns on. Ultimately, if your light doesn't work after a few sunny days in a completely unshaded spot, and you have tested for nearby light interference, you may well have a fault so please contact your retailer or contact us on the details below.

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