



## Review: Victorinox Picknicker Pocketknife

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Linda: Hi, I'm Linda

Craig: And I'm Craig.

Linda: And this is the Indie Travel Podcast, episode ten. This week's episode was recorded in Galway, in Ireland.

Craig: Today's the second Friday of the month, and we'd like to review one of our favourite travel products - our pocket knife.

Linda: Our one's a [Victorinox Picknicker](#), which we know is a pretty sad name. We used to have the Outrider, which is a much cooler name, but unfortunately we lost it somewhere in New Zealand – so whoever found it - hopefully you're having a good time enjoying it!

Craig: The [Picknicker](#) is a large knife – it's 111mm long. It has a lock blade, which means it stays in place when the blade's out - making you less likely to cut yourself when the blade slips. We've really found the larger blade useful - it's much easier to cut with.

Linda: It's also got a larger handle, which means it's easier to hold. Our one's straight-edged, but you can also get the knife that's serrated. We carry a little mini-ceramic sharpener to keep ours sharp, but a serrated one wouldn't need that, it would stay sharp a lot longer.

Craig: Yeah, the knife has a lot of features – but not too many. It's got a corkscrew, bottle opener with a flat screwdriver end, can opener, tweezers, toothpick, and also a reamer. So we've used all of the features - except the reamer. We're not too sure what to do with that one.

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- Linda: Yeah, it's a bit confusing. Our old knife, the Outrider, was the same as this one, but it also had a wood saw, which we never used. That made it a lot bulkier than our one, it added an extra layer. This one, the picknicker has only two layers of features, so it is quite thin.
- Craig: Yeah. So the benefits - it's lots of essentials in one knife. The large handle and the lock blade are great, and the can opener's saved us a couple of times when we needed to open a can, and the tweezers come in surprisingly useful. And, well, we couldn't get by without a bottle opener. It's lightweight – weighs in at 100gms.
- Linda: And it's really comfortable to use as well. If you are thinking about buying a pocket knife, think carefully before you buy it. Don't buy a huge bulky thing just because it has a lot of features – because you won't use most of them. I've seen people carrying around huge pocket knives that are over an inch thick, but they only use five of the features.
- Craig: So, yeah, summing up, we do recommend the [Picknicker](#). It has everything we need, it's got great build quality, and everything most travellers will require. We do recommend, as a general hint, avoid knives with included scissors - they take up a lot of space in your knife, making them quite thick, and they're so useless to use. You're better off spending five bucks at your local pharmacy and just getting some nail scissors or something if you want scissors that size.
- Linda: Right, that's us for this week.
- Craig: Drop by the site – [indietravelpodcast.com](http://indietravelpodcast.com). We'll have some pictures and some links up so you can read more about the knives.
- Linda: And flick us an email if you like – it's [mail@indietravelpodcast.com](mailto:mail@indietravelpodcast.com). So until next week, travel well.

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