

After posting details about A Software-Defined Remote Station Design recently, I received a question about station costs, so went ahead and put together a parts list and cost estimation spreadsheet, which is summarized below. You can download the spreadsheet as a starting point for estimating a station, if that's useful.



\$2,499.00	Flex 6300 SDR	
\$2,999.95	Elecraft KPA 500-F amplifier, Factory Assembled	
\$0.00	PWR-US Power Cable US for KPA 500	
\$699.95	Elecraft KAT 500-F tuner, Factory Assembled	
\$150.22	Shipping and handling (Elecraft items)	
\$129.00	Easy Rotor Control, assembled	
\$279.00	Yaesu G-450A Rotor	
\$93.95	Yaesu control cable, 125'	
\$169.99	TekPower TP50SW	
\$59.99	Vilros Raspberry Pi, Media Center Kit	
\$0.00	SoftEther VPN	
\$519.55	CyberPower Gaming PC, GUA880	
\$307.00	Samsung UE590 UHD-QHD Monitor U24E590D 23.6-Inch Screen LED-Lit Monitor	
\$133.10	Digital Loggers Web Power Switch	
\$160.96	APC BR1500G Uninterruptible Power Supply	
\$119.98	Ni4L ZS6BKW Antenna	
\$104.99	75 ft Ham / CB Radio Antenna Coax Genuine LMR-400	
\$539.00	Spiderbeam 20-17-15-12-10m HD Antenna	
\$150.00	Spideream assembly service	
\$579.00	Spiderbeam 14.5 meter aluminum mast	
\$45.00	Guy plate set for 14.5 HD mast	
\$39.00	45mm standpipe for Spiderbeam	
\$53.00	Rotor adaptor, 80mm to 50mm (for mounting rotor to bottom of mast)	
\$13.50	Galvanized steel carabiner (60mm long), 9 each	
\$84.36	Spiderbeam shipping	
\$359.50	Kevlar guy lines (200' hank, 10 each, more than required)	
\$113.40	Rohn AS455G Accessory Plate	
\$10.77	5.5' T-posts, 3 each	
\$135.00	LMR-400-PL259-UHF-125, low-loss 50 ohm coax, 0.7 dB loss per 100 ft. (alt. RG-213)	
\$64.95	MFJ-4602 Window Pass-through panel	
\$21.81	PstRotatorAZ software	
\$24.95	Eterlogic Virtual Port Serial Emulator software	
\$10,659.87	Estimated Remote Station Cost	

Download Remote Station Cost Spreadsheet



Hope that's useful.