



Our friends Larry and Isabel asked about our camera's that capture those animal photos and videos we post. So, we thought that maybe others would want to know about them as well.

This is a picture of the camera we use. It is an Arlo security camera. We use five of them.

Wildlife Camera

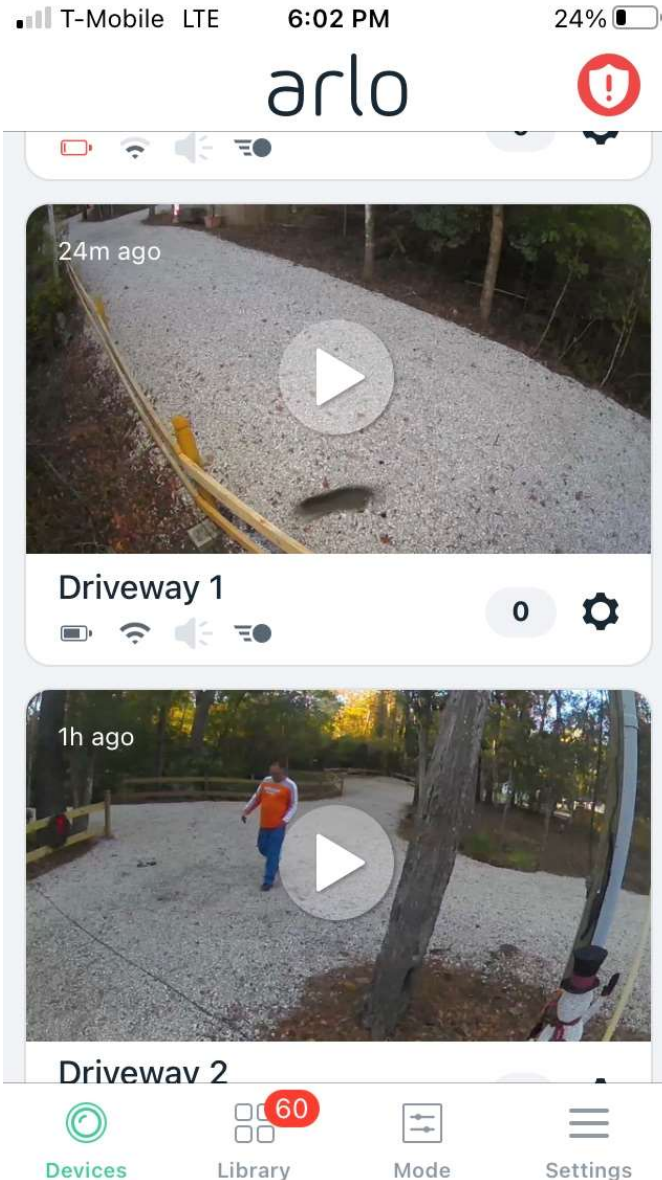


Here is one of them.

The one on this post looks at the front of the house and slightly down.

The cameras use blue tooth and connect to a central hub inside the house, which connect to our phones.

The videos are recorded automatically.



They send us a notice to our phones every time they sense motion. This is the phone view of two of the cameras. (The animal in the Driveway 1 camera was moving too fast to know what it was.)

We see all the delivery people coming down the driveway to the house and no one sneaks up on us.

The only downside is that Dennis' phone goes off all night due to the animals. He must look at the phone every time it pings.

The tone from WeChat that his Chinese factories use and the tone from the camera system is the same. There is no way to change the notification sound setting in either app on an iPhone. If he had an Android, it would be different.

So, the cute raccoons are now those dang raccoons...



We also have solar flood lights with motion detectors in the trees. They are up about 12' high and light up the entire front and driveway when something triggers them. The cameras have night vision, but the lights make them even better.

We have the lights for us to walk down the driveway at night. It is a bonus that they light up the wildlife as well.

While we catch some wildlife during the day on the cameras, most of our images and videos come at night. It seems that most of the animals are nocturnal.

What is amazing to us is just how many animals are out there...and we don't mean squirrels either. We don't post them all because some of the videos or images are not of good enough quality. The animal is moving too fast, is facing the wrong way, or sometimes they are a little too blurry due to the camera lens being wet.

Dennis is thinking about putting a couple of cameras in the swamp over a weekend to see what we can capture. We'll see about that...