IR Remote Control + Receiver

These remote controls are incredibly inexpensive and are pretty simple to use.

They consist of a key pad that transmits and IR signal and an IR receiver that connects to your Arduino.

The receiver requires only three connections and is easily implemented with a readily available library.



Receiver pinout



The only connections you will require are a power, ground and a signal input to your Arduino

Download and install IRRemote Library

The necessary library can be found on <u>GitHub</u>. If you're not familiar with working with libraries, you can learn more about installing and using them <u>here</u>.

Connecting the receiver to Arduino



Arduino Example Sketch 1

This sketch simply receives a signal and shows the value of the signal received on your serial monitor.

```
#include <IRremote.h>
int IR_PIN = 11;
IRrecv irDetect(IR_PIN);
decode_results irIn;
void setup()
{
   Serial.begin(9600);
   irDetect.enableIRIn(); // Start the Receiver
}
void loop() {
   if (irDetect.decode(&irIn)) {
      Serial.println(irIn.value, HEX);
      irDetect.resume(); // Receive the next value
   }
}
```

Verify the output from example sketch 1

Depending on the keys pressed, your output should look something like the screen grab below:



Arduino Example Sketch 2

In this sketch, I put the knowledge about the key values to use. Once the an input has been received, I call out to **decodeIR()** and decipher the value.

```
#include <IRremote.h>
int IR PIN = 11;
IRrecv irDetect(IR_PIN);
decode_results irIn;
void setup() {
          Serial.begin(9600);
            irDetect.enableIRIn(); // Start the Receiver
}
void loop() {
            if (irDetect.decode(&irIn)) {
                     decodeIR();
                       irDetect.resume();
            }
 }
void decodeIR() {
                                                                                                                                // Indicate what key is pressed
            switch(irIn.value)
       {
    case 0xFF629D: Serial.println("Up Arrow"); break;
    case 0xFF22DD: Serial.println("Left Arrow"); break;
    case 0xFF02FD: Serial.println("OK"); break;
    case 0xFFC23D: Serial.println("Right Arrow"); break;
    case 0xFF6897: Serial.println("Down Arrow"); break;
    case 0xFF6897: Serial.println("1"); break;
    case 0xFF804F: Serial.println("2"); break;
    case 0xFF804F: Serial.println("3"); break;
    case 0xFF30CF: Serial.println("5"); break;
    case 0xFF18E7: Serial.println("5"); break;
    case 0xFF18E7: Serial.println("5"); break;
    case 0xFF10EF: Serial.println("6"); break;
    case 0xFF10EF: Serial.println("8"); break;
    case 0xFF3A55: Serial.println("8"); break;
    case 0xFF3A55: Serial.println("8"); break;
    case 0xFF42BD: Serial.println("9"); break;
    case 0xFF42BD: Serial.println("0"); break;
    case 0xFF5AA5: Serial.println("8"); break;
    case 0xFF42BD: Serial.println("8"); break;
    case 0xFF54AB5: Serial.println("8"); break;
    case 0xFF54AB5: Serial.println("8"); break;
    case 0xFF54AB5: Serial.
            {
            default:
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          break;
            }
}
```

Verify the output from example sketch 1

Open the serial monitor. Press the keys. You should notice that the serial monitor reports exactly which key you pressed.