

## Connecting the iPod to a Bravo.

### Option 1.

The first thing I bought a chinch (pic.1) to headphones (pic. 2) cable.



Pic. 1



Pic. 2

Taken the glove box out and the Fiat radio.



Pic. 3



Pic. 4

Fitted the connection cable and 1 two line cable for power (pic.3), had the hole in the dash when I bought the car (prob. a mobile phone holder)

Connected the two line cable (pic.3) to the negative ( - ) cable of the car, and the other one to the positive ( + ) witch only has power when the car is running.

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So the power line has no constant power and the LED that shows charging of the iPod isn't visible when the car is not running.

Then I connected the Sony 5700 to the car and inserted the chinch's to the sony unit. (pic.4)  
This is it for the Sony unit side.

Now comes the tricky part (so to say)

First I had to find out witch car iPod holder has the charge option and constant level volume output.

When connecting an iPod directly to the headphones jack (pic.2), the volume can be adjusted to a higher level from iPod and that can damage the amp.

So I decided to buy PodGear CarDock Cradle & Charger (pic.5) (found it in MacWorld, bought it in Austria-closer to my country) - can find it on eBay for sure, regular coast in UK around 35£ inc. Vat.



Pic. 5



Pic. 6

The PodGear CarDock Cradle & Charger is shipped like this. (pic. 6), so you can putt it in your cigaret lighter for charging.



Pic. 7



Pic. 8

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I made a little modification so it now looks like this (pic.7).  
Fitted the new holder (pic.8) which is a Vogels speaker holder VLB 50  
Can find it here: <http://www.vogels.com/en/evolution/frameset.asp?pg=8>



Pic. 9



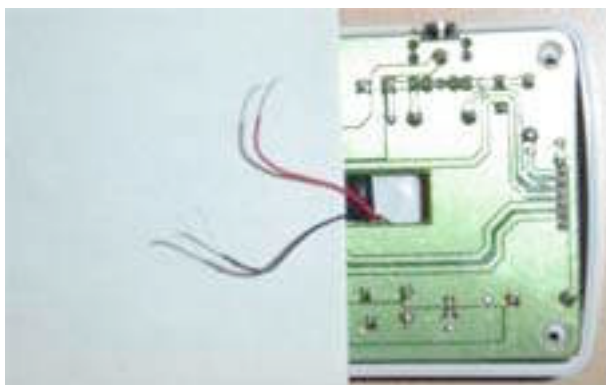
Pic. 10

So it looks like pic. 9

Taken the finished, modified CarDock to the Bravo, mounted one half of the Vogels holder to the car dash (pic. 10) and then connected this two wires (pic.11) with the two line cable.

Connected as follows: red (+) with transparent with red line (+) and black (-) with, in my case transparent (-) cable.

Closed the CarDock and adjusted it to the position that I want.



Pic. 11



Pic. 12

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Plugged the headphone jack (pic. 2) in the CarDock audio out (pic. 12), and that's it.

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Yes, have a bad/ugly fascia. Waiting a new one (original) to be brought from a scrappy in Italy.

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So now I can listen to my iPod, with no worry about how charged it is, and I can't burn my amp. in the Sony with over voluming it.  
Hope I helped whit this.

## Option 2

### Connecting to 1 channel amp.

To connect the iPod directly to the amp, use the chinch to headphone cable.

Connect the headphone jack in the iPod, and use a "stereo" splitter (pic. 13) adapter for connecting the chiches to the amp.

The splitter adapter is just a splitter that has a one stereo chinch output (male) and to stereo inputs (female) so you can connect 2 inputs for one amp.

You probably know all this.

With this setting you don't have to buy PodGear (pic. 6), and you control volume adjustment on your iPod.



Pic. 13



Pic. 14

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### **Option 3**

#### Connecting to 2 channel amp.

The same as option 2, but you will need 2 chinch to head phones cables and Belkin iPod splitter cable (pic. 14)

The Belkin cable has one stereo headphone jack input and 2 stereo headphone outputs, so it is possible to connect the 2 chinch cables to a 2 channel amp.

*The only thing that is tricky in option 2 and 3 is where / how to fit the switch to turn on the amp(s) on / off, because iPod can't do this like a head unit.*

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