

Navigate your way to greater independence and freedom

A scooter provides a great option to get out and about on a very cool set of wheels

Mobility is something many people take for granted and often it's not until a family member is less mobile that we look for solutions. Although a wheelchair is suitable for some people, it isn't the only choice. A lightweight scooter can often be the preferred option for a person who only needs a mobility aid for longer distances. It can also help conserve much-needed energy for someone living with a health condition that causes fatigue. And don't assume scooters are only used by the more senior members of the community, a scooter can be a cool way to get around for the younger generation too.

A TEENAGER'S PERSPECTIVE

Anna Blinks, born with Athrogryposis Multiplex Congenita, is one of many young people with a disability looking for a lightweight scooter to get around school. Anna has a busy life between school, her social life and delivering speeches at functions for Variety, a charity for which she is an ambassador. As a teen she craved independence and after spotting a scooter while on holiday she investigated getting her own. At high school she was able to experience that independence thanks to her Luggie Scooter.

Apart from short distances, Anna had been dependent on others to get around. Now she is like any other teenager, independently moving around the city and out seeing movies with friends.

Anna says, "It's great. It folds up really easily, it's rechargeable and I can put it in the boot of the car. I use it to get to all my classes and it carries everything — all my books, my computer and my trumpet, which I need because we all learn a musical instrument at school."

A TRAVELLER'S PERSPECTIVE

Avid jet-setter Peta has travelled extensively throughout the world but on her last two overseas holidays she required a wheelchair due to limited mobility. Peta found people wanted to be helpful by pushing the wheelchair, but she felt this took away her

independence, opportunities and ability.

She decided to look to a lightweight scooter as a solution.

Peta's first trip with her Luggie Scooter was to Melbourne. And while her list of firsts from her trip may be another person's regular travels, to Peta it was an experience of independence. From being able to manage to pull her own bag behind her scooter to going off the beaten track and choosing where she went, it was all a thrill.

Peta sums it up by saying, "With Luggie, the doors have opened to explore my own city and beyond — Luggie has given me a new-found level of freedom and independence."

EASE OF USE

The Luggie folds in three easy steps. When travelling on organised tours and for car hire there's benefits in having mobility equipment which folds so easily. Many tour operators are only able to accommodate a folding chair and car hire is significantly easier and cheaper if you don't need a larger vehicle.

When not in use the Luggie can be pulled like a travel case or packed in its own travel bag on wheels. It's great for taking on a cruise, on a plane or packed into the boot of a car giving travellers the freedom of mobility at their destination.

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For Peta, "The doors have opened to explore my own city and beyond — Luggie has given me a new-found level of freedom and independence." It suits your needs.