

# Elektor

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*Elektor* (Ἠλέκτωρ) is also an ancient Greek name or epithet of the Sun, see [Helios](#).

## *Elektor*



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Elektor (in Dutch: Elektuur) was founded in 1960 by the Dutch Bob W. van der Horst. It was and still is a leading publisher with a vast loyal group of readers around the world. Not only hobbyists but also professionals.

*Elektor* publishes a vast range of electronic projects, background articles and designs aimed at engineers, enthusiasts, students and professionals. To help readers build featured projects, *Elektor* also offer PCBs ([printed circuit boards](#)) of many of their designs, as well as kits and modules. If the project employs a [microcontroller](#) and/or PC software, as is now often the case, *Elektor* normally supply the [source code](#) and files free of charge via their website. Most PCB artwork is also available from their website.

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