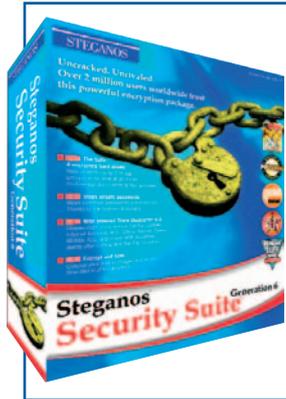




## STEGANOS SECURITY SUITE 6.0 Encryption software

It isn't just businesses that need protection against malicious internet users. Threats against your computer system are becoming increasingly sophisticated and this means that others can access your emails and sensitive files. Steganos Security Suite offers protection against these threats by encrypting your email and removing traces of your internet browsing. It claims to be a user-friendly solution to all your security worries and it will help you manage your passwords too.



- ▶ Steganos: 0049 (0)721 96458 5114
- ▶ [www.steganos.com](http://www.steganos.com)
- ▶ £50 inc VAT

## FUJIFILM FINEPIX F610 6.6Mp digital camera

Digital photography enthusiasts will be licking their lips at the prospect of getting their hands on the latest model in the FinePix range. It claims to be easy to use so beginners shouldn't find it overwhelming and experienced users should have plenty of features to experiment with. There's a 1.8in LCD screen on the back to view the image and another screen for the camera settings.



In movie mode it can capture 30 frames per second. See news on page 23 for more info.

- ▶ Fujifilm: 020 7586 1477
- ▶ [www.fujifilm.co.uk](http://www.fujifilm.co.uk)
- ▶ Price: TBC

## WAITEC TECHNO MP3/CD player

The Techno from Waitec will play MP3s, CDs and WMA (Windows media audio) files and the navigation system should make it a breeze to find the piece of music you are looking for. Boasting an anti-shock feature that claims to prevent tracks skipping even during heavy exercise, the Waitec supports the ID3 tag displays, enabling you to see information about the song you are playing on the LCD display panel.



- ▶ Waitec: 00 31 77 326 1053
- ▶ [www.waitec.com](http://www.waitec.com)
- ▶ £72 inc VAT

## JVC MINI NOTE MP-XP731 Ultraportable notebook

Small might be beautiful but traditionally if you want power you have to think big. JVC is aiming to disprove this with its latest ultraportable notebook, the MP-XP731. Incorporating an ultra-low voltage Pentium M processor running at 1GHz, the JVC should be capable of impressive speeds and the built-in Wi-Fi technology means you can hook up to wireless networks easily. It weighs just over 900g and claims to have a battery life of nine-and-a-half hours.



- ▶ JVC: 0870 330 5000
- ▶ [www.jvc.co.uk](http://www.jvc.co.uk)
- ▶ £1,645 inc VAT

### TRUST BT180 Bluetooth adapter

If you want to communicate with other Bluetooth devices from your notebook or PC at home then the BT180 from Trust looks to be a reasonably priced and effective solution. It also works with certain modems which means you can use the internet without having to sit in front of your PC. You can connect up to seven wireless Bluetooth devices to the adapter and it has a USB cable so that it can be placed in the most accessible location.



- ▶ Trust: 0845 609 0036
- ▶ [www.trust.com](http://www.trust.com)
- ▶ £40 inc VAT

### BROTHER MFC-3420C Multifunction device

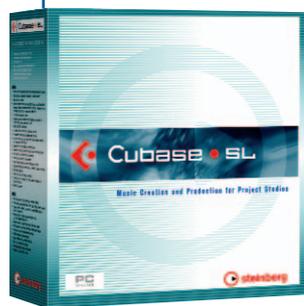
With a colourful design and bundle of features, the MFC-3420C from Brother can cater for individual users and small businesses alike. It's not just a colour printer but a fax, photocopier and scanner too and for something capable of so many tasks the price is amazingly low. The claimed print speeds of 14ppm (pages per minute) mono and 12ppm colour are respectable, if not incredible. There's a one-year onsite warranty too.



- ▶ Brother: 0870 830 4030
- ▶ [www.brother.com](http://www.brother.com)
- ▶ £150 inc VAT

### STEINBERG CUBASE SL 2.0 Music production software

An ear for music isn't something you can develop - you either have it or you don't. But to make your own music you'll need a good PC music-production package as well as talent and application. Steinberg is well known for the quality of its home-recording software and Cubase SL 2.0 is aimed at mid-level users. The interface has been redesigned and although it may seem expensive, it's cheaper than other programs on the market.



- ▶ Steinberg: 020 8970 1909
- ▶ [www.steinberg.net](http://www.steinberg.net)
- ▶ £280 inc VAT

### MICROTEK SCANMAKER 6100 Flatbed scanner

This high-resolution scanner from Microtek has 48bit colour depth and uses a USB 2.0 interface for faster data transfer between it and your PC. The optical resolution of 3,200x 6,400dpi should deliver high-quality scans and the LaserSoft SilverFast SE software bundled with the scanner automatically removes scratches and dust.



Adjustable film locks mean you can scan slides, negatives, filmstrips and more.

- ▶ Microtek Europe: 00 31 10 242 5688
- ▶ [www.microtekeurope.com](http://www.microtekeurope.com)
- ▶ £200 inc VAT

### LA CIE D2 FIREWIRE Dual-format DVD rewriter

External DVD writers are the perfect solution for those who want to burn DVDs but don't want the hassle of taking their PC apart and fiddling with inside components. Connecting via a FireWire port, the d2 FireWire from La Cie writes to both DVD-R/RW and DVD+R/RW formats, so you don't have to worry about it becoming obsolete in years to come. Bundled with the drive is Roxio's Toast 6.0 Titanium disc authoring software.



- ▶ La Cie: 020 7872 8000
- ▶ [www.lacie.com/uk](http://www.lacie.com/uk)
- ▶ £210 inc VAT

### DANE-ELEC MEDIA GEAR 9-in-4 media reader/writer

This card reader can handle nine different types of media including SmartMedia, CompactFlash and Secure Digital cards. Connecting directly to a PC or notebook via a USB 2.0 port, this media reader is also compatible with Macs and comes with a 1m USB cable. If you've got more than one digital camera this could be perfect for you and, at £35, it's a steal.



- ▶ [www.dane-elec.com](http://www.dane-elec.com)
- ▶ £35 inc VAT

### BENQ PB2120 Digital projector

This projector claims to be both portable and easy to set up which makes it ideal for people who give presentations in different locations regularly. Boasting a brightness of 1,200 Ansi lumens and an image size of up to 250in, the PB2120 also has a 2,000 hour lamp life. If you're looking to create a cinematic experience at home, the price tag makes the Benq well worth considering.



- ▶ Benq: 01442 301 000
- ▶ [www.benq.co.uk](http://www.benq.co.uk)
- ▶ £1,050 inc VAT

### TERRATEC CAMEO 200 RT Video-editing card

This card, claims Terratec, will turn your PC into a powerful video-editing workstation. The package includes plenty of software that will aid editing video in real time and gives you a wealth of options to help create professional-looking movies. There's a front connect module so linking your hardware is easy and it comes with a choice of four front panels so it matches the design of your PC case.



- ▶ Terratec: 01252 870 726
- ▶ [www.terratec.co.uk](http://www.terratec.co.uk)
- ▶ £90 inc VAT

### PIKAONE LE STICK MP3 player

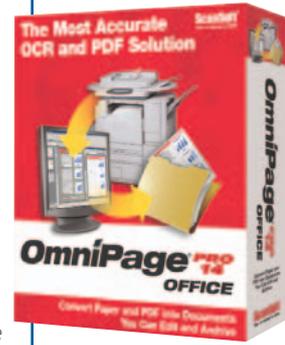
Solid-state storage means that you'll never have to worry about your favourite tracks stopping or jumping about as you go jogging. Le Stick from PikaOne doesn't just store MP3 files though, because you can also use it as a USB flash drive. There's 128MB of space and the batteries should give you 12 hours of continuous play. A microphone is included so it can be used as a voice recorder and it is compatible with both PCs and Macs.



- ▶ [www.pikaone.com](http://www.pikaone.com)
- ▶ £70 inc VAT

### OMNIPAGE PRO 14.0 OFFICE OCR software

OmniPage Pro 14.0 Office is a powerful productivity tool to help you convert documents quickly. PDF files, contracts, letters, manuals and tables can all be converted into editable word processing and spreadsheet documents. The OCR (optical character recognition) technology means archiving a bundle of paperwork can be an automatic process. You can turn hard copies into more than 30 different file formats for editing with this software package.



- ▶ ScanSoft: 0870 870 8085
- ▶ [www.scansoft.com](http://www.scansoft.com)
- ▶ £435 inc VAT

### TRUST 760 POWERCAM 2Mp digital camera

Those of you starting out in digital photography won't necessarily want to splash too much cash on your first camera, so here's a neat little snapper for just over £100. There's a colour LCD screen on the back which you don't always get at this price and the 760 has a 4x optical zoom. There's also a safety device to stop you accidentally deleting photographs – ideal for someone who isn't entirely confident with a digital camera in their hands.



- ▶ Trust: 0845 609 0036
- ▶ [www.trust.com](http://www.trust.com)
- ▶ £120 inc VAT

### AMACOM DIVID BURNER DVD rewriter

An all-in-one solution for burning and copying DVDs. The Divid Burner is portable, so you can use it with a number of different PCs and as it's a dual-format drive you shouldn't have any problems with compatibility. Good both for creating your own movies and backing up your data, the Divid Burner connects to your PC via USB 2.0 or FireWire ports and comes bundled with DVD X Copy Xpress and Pinnacle Studio 8.0 software.



- ▶ Amacom: 020 8993 7373
- ▶ [www.amacom-tech.com](http://www.amacom-tech.com)
- ▶ £200 inc VAT