



← GM Hy-wire

Concept car

With no engine, steering wheel or pedals, this really is a car of the future. The Hy-wire dispenses with petrol in favour of hydrogen cell propulsion, while driving controls are contained in an easy-to-use unit called the X-drive. The driver can sit on either side of the Hy-wire and accelerate by gently twisting the left- or righthand grip. The brakes are also controlled here. Just don't expect to see the Hy-wire in your local supermarket car park anytime soon.

General Motors: www.gm.com
Price: TBA



← Waitec Vision

Portable DVD drive

If you want to watch DVD movies wherever you are then Waitec's Vision is worth a look. Unlike expensive portable DVD players that come with their own tiny screens, the Vision is designed to work with your TV, notebook, PC or in-car TV screens. It comes with connectors to hook it up, including the new USB 2.0 interface to link it to a PC, portable or otherwise. Its dimensions make it small enough to carry with you and it also comes with a wireless remote control and headphones.

Waitec: www.waitec.com
Price: £117



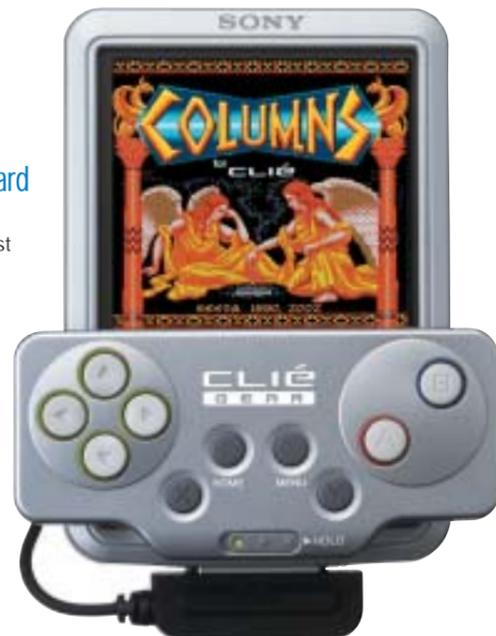
→ Clie Game Controller and Mini Keyboard

Sony Clie add-ons

Sony's Clie handheld range is among the sleekest on the market, and it has just got that bit better with the addition of two must-have add-ons – a mini keyboard and games controller. The tiny keyboard may not be that functional, but if you can't get to grips with Graffiti handwriting recognition then it's your best bet. But what we can't wait to get our hands on is the games controller, which will turn your Clie into a micro console – it's even bundled with two games.

Sony: www.clieplaza.com

Price: Mini Keyboard approx £30, Game Controller approx £27



← Toshiba PDR-T20

Digital camera

If you have ever fancied adding notes to your digital shots – for example, to remind you where and when they were taken – then Toshiba's 2Mp (megapixel) PDR-T20 is for you. You can add comments to your snaps using a stylus on its 1.5in LCD (liquid crystal display) screen. A 2x digital zoom lets you get up close and personal with your subjects, while the supplied 8MB SD (secure digital) card will store your shots.

Toshiba 08704 424 424

Price: £254

→ Freecom Beatman

Mini CD-R and MP3 player

The Beatman, yet another take on the MP3 player, includes a mini CD-R drive to set it apart from the crowd. You can burn your tunes on to dinky 8cm discs, which can hold up to 210 minutes of music. Despite their diminutive size these discs can be burnt in any standard CD-RW drive and will play back via a CD-ROM drive. The Beatman also won't be too much of a burden when you're on the move.

Freecom: 01423 704 700

Price: £85



← Videologic ZXR-200

Speaker system

Replacing your PC's bundled speakers with better looking models can be expensive. Videologic hopes to overcome this problem with its low-cost ZXR-200. This 2.1 channel speaker system boasts an attractive silver finish and will work with PCs and Macs. Individual controls for volume, bass, balance and treble ensure that you can tailor audio to get the best output possible. A pair of speaker stands plus all the cabling you need to get up and listening is also thrown in.

Videologic: www.videologic.com

Price: £42.54