

top 10 charts

If you've read our digital cameras Technofile on page 72 and are ready to step into the world of digital photography, or you're a seasoned veteran after a replacement model, then our in-depth cameras round-up is the next stop. These updated charts feature 20 of the best devices on the market at the moment.

For those of you taking your first tentative steps into the digital sphere, turn to page 208 for our Beginners chart where prices start at £199 inc VAT. If you have a bit more cash to spend, the Intermediate chart on page 212 showcases cameras ranging from £300-£699 inc VAT.

And for those readers who wish to splash out on a new desktop system, we've also refreshed our middle-of-the-range PC chart. Aimed at those who want a bit more than a Superbudget machine can offer but can't afford a Power PC, our Budget chart covers systems from £850-£1,409. Turn to page 200 to see how this month's value-for-money new entries fair.

Prices explained

We have listened to your comments and our prices now include VAT. The categories for PCs, notebooks and digital cameras are as follows:

PCs

Power PCs	over £1,410
Budget PCs	£850-£1,409
Superbudget PCs	sub-£849

Notebooks

Power notebooks	over £1,400
Budget notebooks	sub-£1,399

Digital cameras

Professional	over £700
Intermediate	£300-£699
Beginners	sub-£299

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The Top 10 chart awards

Top-ranking products are eligible for either Best Buy or Recommended awards. A Best Buy product takes the number one spot in its chart thanks to a superlative combination of features, performance, value for money and customer service (where we have the data).

Chart rankings are based on a calculation of features and performance compared to price, so the highest-scoring products also represent the best value for money. Those that earn a Recommended award are pretenders to the Best Buy crown. Almost as good, these products offer great value, quality and performance.



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