



Super fly: at the time of writing, the Flybook A33i laptop is the smallest of them all, weighing just 1.2kg with an 8.9" screen and massive 40GB hard drive. From \$3499, Dialogue Australia, (02) 9947 2750.

WANT IT NOW!



playing around

Now, most kids – big and small – will tell you that a PlayStation isn't worthwhile on anything less than a 50" screen. Sure, if it'll fit on the wall. But the new portable version is this month's hottest gadget, with its 4.3" screen, stereo speakers and in-built MP3 player, so the game is on, anywhere. PlayStation Portable, \$399.95, Sony, 1300 720 071, www.sony.com.au

lap it up

Shopping for a laptop? Here's what you need to know:

- + Find the fastest computer by checking the processor speed: the faster the better. Average speeds range from 1 to 2 GHz (gigahertz).
- + Size matters – consider buying a larger laptop if you're going to use it every day – it'll be easier on the eyes.
- + Shop around for the trimmings – DVD burners, multiple USB ports, wireless card, good speakers...
- + Be weight-conscious – laptops weigh from 1.2kg to 3.5kg. Anything more is way too heavy to lug around.



in control

The simplest ideas are often the best, like the Indor remote control pocket (left), \$12, from IKEA. Just flip it over your sofa and stash your remotes where you'll always find 'em. It even has a spot for the TV guide. Smart thinking, guys. Go to www.ikea.com.au

WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

www.feltex.com.au

Lay carpet in the house virtually, with Feltex's new interactive website. Choose the best carpet according to price and quality and save on the foot slogging.

sunny days Now you don't have to endure the quips of those oh-so-funny weathermen to work out what to wear today. The display on this mirror (right) gives you the weather forecast for the next 24 hours, as well as date, time and alarms. Weather mirror MR238, \$349, Oregon Scientific, 1300 300 155.



3 of the best storage devices

Pick up some extra memory to store your photos and files

Sandisk

WHY IT'S GOOD It's encased in titanium, so you could run over it with a truck, and you'd still have your holiday snaps on file. Love it. Cruiser Titanium, from 512MB, starts at \$109.95, Sandisk, www.sandisk.com



Noax

WHY IT'S BETTER All you have to do to store and playback your music, videos and images is plug it into your computer or TV. And it has 5:1 surround sound. Noax portable media player, \$199 (without hard drive), Skunkworks, 1800 241 280.



Uniden

WHY IT'S BEST This is one big momma, with a terabyte (that's 1000GB) of memory in a case the size of a car battery. You can hook printers and cameras into its four USB ports, or use as a server between computers. TeraStation, \$1999, Uniden, (02) 9599 3355.

