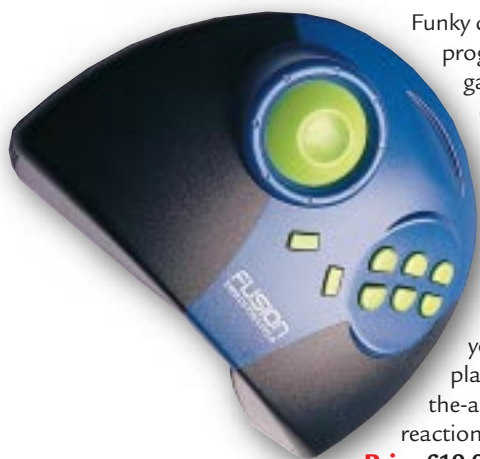


## ▽ Fusion digital game pad



Funky colours and no less than ten programmable buttons make this game pad stand out from the crowd. It's both PC and iMac compatible, with all relevant drivers and a choice of USB or game-port connection. Its comfortable, ergonomic design allows the manufacturers to boast that no matter what the size of your hands, you'll be able to play for hours, and the state-of-the-art digital circuitry makes its reactions more precise.

**Price** £19.99 (£17.02 ex VAT)

**Contact** Thrustmaster 01276 609955  
[www.thrustmaster.co.uk](http://www.thrustmaster.co.uk)

## Marble marvel

It may look like a dead fish, but this is one of the next generation of trackballs. The Marble Mouse promises smoother and more reliable performance because there are no moving mechanical parts. Instead, an optical system watches the movement of the large red ball on the front and tells your PC what's going on. Its pointed shape makes it great for both left- and right-handed users and because it's not a mouse, it uses less space on the desk.

**Price** £27.99 (£23.82 ex VAT)

**Contact** Logitech  
0181 308 6582  
[www.logitech.com](http://www.logitech.com)



## Colourful character

It seems strange that nobody has thought of doing it before, but it's taken until now for Hewlett-Packard to come up with the world's first colour palm-sized PC. The Jornada 420 comes packed with nifty little features like screen presets for indoor and outdoor use, and even has a lift-up transparent cover to protect the screen. (See p82 for our full review.)

**Price** £399 (£339.50 ex VAT)

**Contact** Hewlett-Packard 0990 474747  
[www.hp.com/jornada](http://www.hp.com/jornada)



## ▽ Swipe me

Scanners on the back of a keyboard are small and flashy but by comparison the CapShare 910 is tiny and blinding. Simply wipe it across any document and within six seconds you'll have a faithful reproduction in its memory. No bigger than a portable CD player, it takes standard AA batteries and has an IR port for transmitting documents to your PC or PDA. Watch out for our full review in next month's issue.

**Price** £499 (£424.68 ex VAT)

**Contact** Hewlett-Packard 0990 474747  
[www.hp.com](http://www.hp.com)



## Right... you're under a-wrist ▼

It looks like a flat baseball cap and it feels like nothing on earth. This has to be one of the softest wrist-rest mouse pads around. The hand is cushioned by a hollow in the underside, combined with a super-spongy gel pad, maintaining the required 'horizontal' hand-arm position. Moreover, the anti-skid tacky bottom will stop it slipping around your desk.

**Price** £12.99 inc delivery  
(£11.06 ex VAT)

**Contact** Urathon 01869 342364  
[www.urathon.com](http://www.urathon.com)



## Hands off!

Security for your laptop, plain and simple. With more notebooks being stolen every day, something like the Defcon 1 could be a lifeline for users. Use the integrated 95ft cut-resistant cable to tie your computer to a static object such as an airport chair or table and it's there for good — or at least until you release it using the 1,000-combination lock.

Alternatively, activate the 360° motion sensor and the slightest movement will activate a 110dB alarm — and that equates to the same sort of noise you'd get from a chainsaw!

**Price** £39.99  
(£34.03 ex VAT)

**Contact** Targus  
0181 607 7028

[www.targus.com](http://www.targus.com)



## Tricky Tixi ▼

The Tixi-Mail box looks great and it can be a time-saver, too, as it has been designed to send and collect email as well as receive faxes, unattended. In contrast to standard modems,

this 56K model actually stores faxes before it sends them, so they can be sent at a more cost-conscious time of day. Its base memory of 2Mb (4Mb for the networked model) will store up to 1,000 emails or around 100 fax pages.

**Price** £99 (£84.26 ex VAT)

**Contact** Itochu Electronics +49 211 3 6850 (Germany)  
[www.tixi.com](http://www.tixi.com)



## Fixtures and Fittings ▶

If your PC is not in a bedroom or study, the chances are it's in your living room. So, instead of letting it quietly clutter up a corner, why not make it a focal point with one of these groovy chairs from System 41? Available as an all-in-one solution, as pictured here, or as the side table alone for use with any chair, sofa or settee, it's the ideal solution for those who think a PC is as important as the TV, hi-fi or cat basket.

**Price** £475 (£404.26 ex VAT) illustrated right  
**Contact** System 41; 01495 313900

