



SLEEPPHONES WIRELESS

★★★★★

£70 Manufacturer sleepphones.com

1 This comfortable headband conceals a set of Bluetooth headphones, which can be removed when it needs a wash. Described as 'pyjamas for your ears,' it's ideal for listening to your music in bed. Sound quality is better than we expected, though isolation is poor. Don't expect them to drown out ambient noise. There's an iOS app that plays relaxing sounds such as waves and a piano lullaby, but bizarrely, it doesn't offer a sleep function to fade out and switch off after a set time, which seems a strange omission.

Ian Osborne

Mac
FORMAT
VERDICT
A comfortable and decent experience. Great for listening to music in bed, although some features are lacking.

TABLETAIL: MONKEY KIT

★★★★★

£50 Manufacturer octa.com

2 You can't fault this gadget for versatility. Bend the bar into the height and shape you need, and press your iPad – or any tablet device – onto the suction cup to hold it in place. You can set it to almost any height or angle you wish, and you can turn the tablet to switch between portrait and landscape mode, too. In our tests, a first-generation iPad failed to stick to the MonkeyKit satisfactorily, but we had far more success with an iPad 2 and an iPad mini, which stayed in place for hours without falling off or the tail slipping out of shape. Ian Osborne

Mac
FORMAT
VERDICT
The MonkeyKit is a little overpriced, perhaps, but a useful stand, as long as you're not on a first-gen iPad.

PKPARIS K'1 USB KEY

★★★★★

£33 Manufacturer pkparis.com

3 Over the last few years, USB thumb drives have grown in capacity and shrunk in physical size. These aluminium USB 3.0 keys from PKparis are as small as they can possibly be (no USB stick can be smaller than a USB port, for obvious reasons), and they're available in 32GB and 64GB models. How much data can you cram onto such a tiny device? The K'1 is great for recent Mac notebooks with internal SSDs. They're a perfect match for your MacBook, and due to their small size you can leave them in place as semi-permanent storage. Ian Osborne

Mac
FORMAT
VERDICT
A great companion for your MacBook Air or Retina MacBook Pro, especially if your SSD is running low on space.

BELKIN EXPRESS DOCK FOR IPAD

★★★★★

£50 Manufacturer belkin.com

4 This Lightning connector dock is designed for the iPad (4th gen), but it works with any Lightning iOS device. However, its unique feature is that there's a little wheel you can scroll left or right to raise and lower (and also change the angle of) the connector, so it adjusts to fit whatever case you have on your iPad. It fitted iPads wearing all cases we had in the office; in fact, the only drawback was that the iPhone's earphone port isn't accessible when in the stand – but to be fair, it's designed for use with an iPad. Graham Barlow

Mac
FORMAT
VERDICT
This is quite expensive for a dock connector and stand, but the scroll wheel means it's flexible enough to fit most iPad cases.