

## Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Che ken - 29 Jan 2012 23:21

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The problem? I have no idea what to buy! Lol my knowledge of components etc is next to nothing and so I was hoping some of you might be able to help (Hi again btw)

Let's just say my current Acer Aspire Laptop isn't what it used to be... I can't even play minecraft single player for crying out loud :

Since I got a job recently (first job so no tax atm FTW) and I currently have a budget of £1800 to use on a new computer and get rid of this old junk.

I don't want a laptop as I will end up killing its battery and I use this laptop as a desktop anyway, never leaves this desk it's on, I'm looking to get 2 monitors, have one but it's broken, no idea how either 😅

Just would like to hear opinions on the best I can get with that sort of a budget. Pre-made or not either is fine since my step-brother can make the pc as long as he has the parts. I'm pretty sure I could get a damn fine gaming pc with that sort of a budget, nowhere near creme de la creme but from what I've seen, I can get most of the pc's that I've seen get the best reviews

If you guys need any more info just ask away and I'll try to answer best I can!

P.S. The faster I get myself a new comp the faster I can get back onto minecraft and css 😊

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Chifilly - 02 Feb 2012 20:15

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That's a cache drive, not an storage SSD. In Memory 1 or Memory 2, the SSD's are in there

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Che ken - 02 Feb 2012 22:09

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Ah right cool I see them, Kingston look better and are cheaper? Ummm that's a bit of a no braier to what I'm getting then lol

Changed the monitors as well from 22" to 27" and I've only upped the total by about £330... Awesome!

Here's the final outcome:

#### Case

PCS MAELSTROM T900 BLACK GAMING CASE

#### Processor (CPU)

Intel® Core™i5-2500 Quad Core (3.30GHz, 6MB Cache) + HD Graphics

#### Motherboard

ASUS® P8Z68-V/GEN3: PCI-E 3.0 READY, SLI, CROSSFIREX\*\*\*SPECIAL\*\*\*

#### Memory (RAM)

8GB KINGSTON HYPER-X GENESIS DUAL-DDR3 1600MHz, X.M.P (2 x 4GB KIT)

#### Graphics Card

2GB NVIDIA GEFORCE GTX 560 Ti - 2 DVI,HDMI,VGA - 3D Vision Ready

#### Memory - 1st Hard Disk

1TB WD CAVIAR BLACK WD1002FAEX, SATA 6 Gb/s, 64MB CACHE (7200rpm)

#### 2nd Hard Disk

120GB KINGSTON HYPERX SSD, SATA 6 Gb/s (upto 555MB/sR | 510MB/sW)

#### 1st DVD/BLU-RAY Drive

24x DUAL LAYER DVD WRITER ±R/±RW/RAM

#### Memory Card Reader

INTERNAL 52 IN 1 CARD READER (XD, MS, CF, SD, etc) + 1 x USB 2.0 PORT

#### Power Supply

CORSAIR 650W ENTHUSIAST SERIES™ TX650 V2-80 PLUS® BRONZE (£69)

Processor Cooling

SUPER QUIET 22dBA TRIPLE COPPER HEATPIPE INTEL CPU COOLER (£19)

Sound Card

ONBOARD 6 CHANNEL (5.1) HIGH DEF AUDIO (AS STANDARD)

Network Facilities

GIGABIT LAN & WIRELESS 802.11N 300Mbps PCI-E CARD (£16)

USB Options

6 x USB 2.0 PORTS @ BACK PANEL (MIN 2 FRONT PORTS) AS STANDARD

Operating System

Genuine Windows 7 Home Premium 64 Bit - inc DVD & Licence (£79)

Office Software

FREE Microsoft® Office Starter 2010 (Limited functionality Word & Excel)

Monitor

IYAMA E2773HDS 27" LED WIDESCREEN, HDMI/DVI-D HD1920x1080 (£229)

2nd Monitor

IYAMA E2773HDS 27" LED WIDESCREEN, HDMI/DVI-D HD1920x1080 (£229)

DVI-D & HDMI Monitor Cables

2 x 2 METRE GOLD PLATED V1.4 HDMI CABLE (£15)

Warranty

3 Year Standard Warranty (1 Month Collect & Return, 1 Year Parts, 3 Year Labour)

Price for this PC System:

£1363.33 ex VAT.

£1636 inc VAT and Delivery.

still got £200 spare 😊

\*Clicks buy\*

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Chifilly - 02 Feb 2012 23:18

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By the way, if you want the OS to be on the SSD, make sure it's on Memory 1, because they install the OS on the first HDD

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Chifilly - 03 Feb 2012 13:55

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Sorry for double post, just in-case he'd already seen my previous post, I needed to 😊

I **highly** recommend upgrading the warranty to the silver warranty. Only £5, and it gives you 11 more months collect and return policy

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Che ken - 03 Feb 2012 17:44

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Okay for some reason the order verification screen crashed so it HASN'T ordered my pc yet... So I will do just that and 'upgrade' to silver (since it's actually cheaper... makes sense!) Also thanks for that SSD thing will do now as well 😊

"Thank You for your time. Your details have been sent to us and we will process your order as quickly as possible. You will receive an automatically generated email from us in the next 10 minutes confirming your order. If you do not receive this email, this may be because your spam filter has blocked it. To check that we have received you order, simply login to your account and see if your order appears there."

I think it's done this time 😊

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Chifilly - 03 Feb 2012 19:44

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Wool I can guarantee you'll be happy with their service. I definitely was/a 🤔  
and that's practically the same as my PC, except the case and monitors

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Che ken - 03 Feb 2012 22:42

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My step brothers building it for me which saves £79 too 🤔

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Chifilly - 04 Feb 2012 00:24

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So are you not getting it from PCS?

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Che ken - 04 Feb 2012 12:15

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Bought and ordered from PCS but it comes in pieces and I'm not paying for them to build it. My step brothers doing that and the setup for me 🤔

Unless they actually build it for free (I thought the whole £79 setup thing included building)

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## Re: Buying a Gaming PC but I need help!

Posted by Oxy - 04 Feb 2012 20:14

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Be careful with the SSD, although they are faster than mechanical drives, they are easy to ruin fast. Make sure you read up on how to take care of it. After all they're ridiculously expensive :p

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