

HP TouchSmart All-in-One PC

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I recently became the proud owner of a HP Touchsmart All-in-one PC. I say proud because I LOVE this computer. It's the model 600-1000t with an Intel Duo Core processor, 2.13 GHz with 4.00 GB of memory and Windows 7/64 bit. The 2 best parts of this computer is 1 that it doesn't have a case, everything is in one. The computer itself is built into the backside of the 23" monitor. And of course the 2nd thing I love is its touch screen. I love it. I have it sitting on the square glass end table in the living room next to the sofa so I can keep up with my email, designing & updating websites, doing pastors power point sermons, keep up with facebook and whatever else I need done. And I don't have to figure out where to put the tower.

This computer not only does everything smoothly, I actually have fun doing it. It has everything you would ever need in a computer. It connects both wirelessly or wired to the internet, I can connect to my cell phone using the Bluetooth connection and transfer back and forth between anything that uses Bluetooth, including my GPS which has Bluetooth capability. I can even make a call from my PC through my cell phone if I need to. I can insert any SD card into the card reader slot on the side of the PC. There is a built in webcam, speakers, microphone and headphone. It has several USB ports and a Lightscribe DVD-R/RW. It comes with a wireless keyboard and mouse that I can sit back with it on my lap. Heck, It even has a night light. What more could you ask for? But, if you did want more, you could even have a TV tuner installed to use the PC as a DVR and record any programs from TV onto its 500GB hard drive.

This computer is also my first introduction to Windows 7 and I have to say I am really enjoying it. I think this is the best Windows program ever, but maybe I'm bias because I have the version that has TouchSmart technology. The touch screen is so cool and the Microsoft Touch Pack program for Windows 7 that came with the PC is outstanding. There are even games that use the touch capability and a touch screen keyboard and you can even write with your finger on the screen and it turns into typed words. And then there is the HP TouchSmart programs that came installed on the PC, like the touch calendar scheduler, Netflix, Hulu, the clock, Movie Night, Music Jukebox, Picture canvas, and let's not forget the great webcam that lets you make really funny photos using the Emoticons, the avatars, the frames, bursts, filters and distortions, like these.



My grandkids love to play with it and it has a one touch YouTube upload.

But my favorite program that came with it from HP is their talking Recipe Box program. You can go to a website in the program that has recipes and on some websites tell your recipe program to download recipes that you like or type or cut and paste them in manually. You can then take the PC to the kitchen and have it read you a recipe while you're making it. This PC is just fantastic. I guess the only thing I can think of to add to this PC is a handle on the top to carry it.