



Macworld Hot Stuff

WHAT WE'RE RAVING ABOUT THIS MONTH

Sik Pimp

No, that's not a typo in the name; Sik's \$55 car charger for iPods really is named Pimp. It's the successor to the company's older Imp (although that doesn't really explain why Sik went with Pimp instead of, say, Imp 2). The aluminum-and-stainless-steel Pimp plugs into your automobile's accessory jack and provides safe, conditioned power to your iPod via a three-foot cable. But the Pimp's aluminum dock connector also provides a true line-level audio output, letting you get the best sound quality from your iPod to your car's stereo—assuming, of course, that your car's head unit has an audio-in jack. The Pimp weighs in at only 1.5 ounces, and works with all models from the fourth-generation iPod on—except, of course, for the dock connector-less iPod shuffle (sik.com).—**DAN FRAKES**



Power Support Hello Kitty iPod Cases

Looking for the perfect gift for a preteen—or looking to reminisce about your own preteen years? Power Support offers a number of officially licensed iPod nano, iPod touch, and iPhone cases sporting Sanrio's Hello Kitty character (ranging from \$30 to \$40). The iPod touch cases feature various smaller Hello Kitty designs on a white, black, or clear Crystal Jacket shell. The iPod nano cases come in only clear Crystal Jacket shells—to show off the nano's bright colors—with either a large Hello Kitty or the character's trademark bow wrapped around the case. Each case also includes a Power Support crystal film to protect your device's screen (www.powersupportusa.com).—**DAN FRAKES**



Agent 18 StandHear

The iPod touch and iPhone are great for watching movies on long flights. But unless you want to hold the player, you need a stand. And unless you want to share your earbuds with your seatmate, you need a headphone splitter. Agent 18's clever \$25 StandHear gives you both. Flip up one side and you've got a stand with four different angles. Inside is a short cable that you plug into your headphone jack; on the front are two jacks (www.agent18.com).—**DAN FRAKES**



Kanex Mini DisplayPort to HDMI Adapter

Kanex's \$70 adapter takes the digital audio and video from a Mac and runs it through an HDMI cable to an HDTV. The small off-white box has an HDMI port on one end and three cables—Mini DisplayPort for video, USB for power, and Toslink optical—on the other. As a result, it can transfer digital audio streams—good news for people with snazzy home-theater audio systems (kanexlive.com).—**JASON SNELL**

VUZIX WRAP 310

Do you find your iPhone or iPod's screen too small to comfortably enjoy watching video? If so, you might want to check out Vuzix's \$250 Wrap 310 video eyewear, which displays high resolution video from your iPod or iPhone via eye glasses that project the equivalent of a 55-inch TV screen at about nine feet away. iPod-compatible eyewear isn't new, but the Wrap 310 is designed to look and feel more like traditional sunglasses—and fit over most prescription glasses (www.vuzix.com).—**JONATHAN SEFF**

