Subject: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Goztow on Wed, 28 Oct 2009 09:43:58 GMT
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I thought I might as well put a link to it here as you guys are t3h g33ks (that's positive, BTW) .

I'm looking to buy a new computer. All suggestions and all remarks on the suggestions that were done there, are welcome .

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Omar007 on Wed, 28 Oct 2009 09:59:57 GMT
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Quote:EWD also configured me this one:
http://azerty.nl/winkelmandje/winkelmandje/?legen=1&product[226358]=1&product[225949]=1&product[225309]=1&product[236271]=1&product[213070]=2&product[232820]=1&product[33476]=1&product[235982]=1&product[9448]=1

Seeing your budget this would be a fantastic PC.
Although if you really go for gaming you can better have some more GHz in your CPU. I dont know if the i7 has more but i believe not so just stay on that

And i would ususally go for NVidia videocards but this card is good too.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Renardin6 on Wed, 28 Oct 2009 13:11:17 GMT
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try www.ldlc.be or www.compumsa.eu (both reliable).

As for the config, I would buy the following setup:

- Boîtier PC - Antec Nine Hundred Two - Boitier moyen tour   83,57 €
- ASUSTeK P6T (Intel X58 Express) - ATX - (garantie 3 ans) 167,21 €
- Intel Core i7 920 - Quad Core Socket 1366 QPI 4.8 GT/s Cache L3 8 Mo 0.045 m (version boîte - garantie Intel 3 ans) - Rév. SLBEJ 205,65 €
- Zalman CNPS9900A LED (pour Socket 775/1156/1366/754/939/940/AM2/AM2+/AM3) 50,16 €
- OCZ Gold XTC Triple Channel 6 Go (kit 3x 2 Go) DDR3-SDRAM PC3-10666 - OCZ3G1333LV6GK (garantie 10 ans par OCZ) 109,41 €
- Samsung SpinPoint F3 - HD103SJ - 1 To 7200 RPM 32 Mo Serial ATA II (bulk) 58,52 €
- MSI R5870-PM2D1G - 1 Go HDMI/Dual DVI/DisplayPort - PCI Express (ATI Radeon HD 5870) 283,44 €
- Seasonic S12D 750W - Alimentation 750W ATX 12V/EPS 12V - 80PLUS Silver 99,57 €
- iiyama 24" LCD - ProLite B2409HDS-B1 - 2 ms (gris à gris) - Pivot - Format large 16/9 - port

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Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Renardin6 on Wed, 28 Oct 2009 13:23:48 GMT
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Or you make the same rig as me for less than 1500 euros (screen included). It's small and has all what it needs to play all games. (Core I7, 8GB DDR3, GTX 285, X58 chipset)

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Posted by EvilWhiteDragon on Wed, 28 Oct 2009 16:20:11 GMT
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The Core i7 860 has a "better" turbo mode which allows you to get more performance when you're only using 1 or 2 cores. The 920 is nice, if you want to overclock or need the triple channel. (I got it myself @ 3,8~4 Ghz).
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WHY? It has a boxed cooler which is decent, and if you think it's too noisy get a Mugen2, cheaper, better and at least as quiet.
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Good pick, but I would estinate that 500 to 600 watt should be more than sufficient, so I wouldn't spend so much there.
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Posted by Homey on Wed, 28 Oct 2009 21:06:22 GMT
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Dual video cards in the future?
Preferences towards AMD/Intel or ATI/Nvidia.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear

Posted by CarrierII on Wed, 28 Oct 2009 21:12:17 GMT
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All my ASUS boards have been solid (Poor, inexperienced overclocking and power surges etc), never used Gigabyte.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Homey on Thu, 29 Oct 2009 02:23:41 GMT
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ASUS and Gigabyte are both good. Personal experience is pretty limited unless you build 50+ computers a year. I've only used one gigabyte and it was rock solid.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by _SSnipe_ on Thu, 29 Oct 2009 06:51:13 GMT
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I heard Gigabyte is best for mobos but I think its ASUS or might have been MSI that die and are very inefficient.

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Posted by Goztow on Thu, 29 Oct 2009 07:34:00 GMT
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FPS: rock solid 60 (or 75 depending on refresh rate), plz
OC: not really interested. Though I did overclock my current video card a bit
Games: I'm not one to play 50 different games, atm I play Renegade and COD5 and it'll prolly last like this for another year. I'd like to at least play those at highest performance
Dual: from what I heard of it, it's not really worth it
Preference: none, though up to now I had most experience with Intel and Nvidia

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You're wrong, there is Core i7 s1156 and Core i7 s1336. The last one is the high-end socket with a high-end chipset, the X58. The first one is placed a bit lower than that, and lacks triple channel. Besides that they are pretty similar, execpt that the 860 will go faster because of the more aggressive turbo mode.
The difference between the i7 and i5 are pretty obvious. The i7 has hyperthreading and the i5 does not. Because the nehalem architecture is such a powerhouse, the hyperthreading can in real life apps make a difference of over 30%. At the very least that is worth the money to don't take the i5 but the s1156 i7.
Best bang for the buck. The s1156 i7 doesn't have the PCI-e bandwidth the S1336 i7 has, but this is due to the chipset (P55 vs X58).

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Homey on Thu, 29 Oct 2009 19:22:09 GMT

Yeah sorry, I consider i5 to be non 1336 socket, even though the top ends are called i7. What I meant was, the 1336 socket isn't really worth it unless you need HT. I make use of it for SMP folding on 8 threads.

Goz I'll make a list tonight for you, too little time =(

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Posted by EvilWhiteDragon on Fri, 30 Oct 2009 14:24:43 GMT

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The s1156 i7's have HT aswell, so that is no argument. The only valid argument would be s1336

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having triple channel + more PCI-e lanes, but that doesn't matter, as I know that gozy doesn't intend to go SLI/CF.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by nikki6ixx on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 00:15:55 GMT
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It sounds like you keep your computers for a long time, and since you're not too keen on upgrading, I'd say a system with an X58 motherboard and an i7 920 is the way to go.

However, I'd wait until vendor's roll out USB 3.0 ports on their motherboards, like Asus and Gigabyte.

Go big, or go home.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Homey on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 03:44:27 GMT
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I'd go i5 750 or i7 920 and overclock. Paying an extra hundred bucks for .14ghz seems retarded.

Any gigabyte/evga/asus mobo should do you quite well for i5/i7
Decent set of 1600mhz ram, really need to choose i5 or i7 first.
WD Caviar Black 640gb
ATI 5850 or 5870 Graphics Card (DX11, good future proofing)
Case - Personal preference, antec 900, Coolermaster HAF 932 are both good choices, as long as it has decent airflow
HSF - Coolermaster Hyper 212+
Corsair HX 650W PSU
Any DVD Drive works

Really you should be able to get something decent for much less than 1500 euros.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Goztow on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 09:54:01 GMT
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Tx all. I'll prolly go for http://www.thekoss2.org/community/download/file.php?id=680 . Might just add an extra 4 GB of RAM.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by Homey on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 20:35:39 GMT

Please get a different PSU, I'd go 600W just to be safe, Antec is OK, prefer Corsair, PC P&C or Enermax. Get a WD Caviar Black 1TB instead of the seagate, generally better read times. Also grab a CPU heatsink so you can do a bit of overclocking as well as having good temps.

Which case?

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by nikki6ixx on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 20:50:33 GMT

Agreed. Forget the extra 4GB of RAM, and instead buy yourself a PSU from the likes of Corsair, Thermaltake's 'Toughpower' or a Seasonic.

A third party heatsink, with thermal paste is a good thing to get, even if you don't aim to overclock. It'll help keep things cool, and if you ever do decide to OC, you'll have that option.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by JohnDoe on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 21:12:11 GMT

Obviously, the only way to go here is the new iMac.

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Posted by GEORGE ZIMMER on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 21:14:31 GMT

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Posted by ChewML on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 21:53:20 GMT
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Only a true philistine faggot would suggest that...

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Posted by Homey on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 21:59:22 GMT
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Posted by JohnDoe on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 22:24:59 GMT
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It comes with a Magic Mouse! I suggest investing the money that you'll have left in Apple stock!

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by JohnDoe on Sat, 31 Oct 2009 22:29:11 GMT
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I'm somewhat confident the iMac can handle CoD 5 in the highest settings, but if not, you'll still be able to appreciate the flawless, sleek design.

Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by tactic356 on Sun, 01 Nov 2009 02:49:19 GMT
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Posted by DarkDemin on Sun, 01 Nov 2009 03:39:02 GMT
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Subject: Re: New computer - oh dear, oh dear
Posted by slosha on Sun, 01 Nov 2009 04:07:55 GMT
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That video's a joke, dude. lol

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Posted by Homey on Sun, 01 Nov 2009 05:09:46 GMT
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100% agreed. You probably bought an Asus NVIDIA mobo! IF that's the case, then yeah no shit they sucked. The sucked for XFX, EVGA, ASUS and anyone else that made them. ASUS boards with intel chipsets are rock solid.

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tbh it was my dad that kept getting crap boards (or him not handling it well but that is something i doubt that since he is pretty much a perfectionist).

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Posted by CarrierII on Sun, 01 Nov 2009 10:51:03 GMT
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I only had to RMA one in 4 ASUS boards, the rest survived God knows what...

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Of the 4 Asus boards I had, only one is surviving today, and that is a nForce 1 motherboard (the A7N266-c). The rest died micarulesly after the warranty period. In the warranty periode they got send RMA a coupe of times.
I am apparently incapable of installing Asus motherboards, as that is apparently much harder than installing Gigabyte motherboards... Those keep on working, I even have one in my server (a normal desktop motherboard mind you!) which is running straight for 2,5 year now. None of my Asus boards made that, not without RMA.

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Posted by Ethenal on Mon, 02 Nov 2009 03:18:21 GMT
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The onion rocks hard