

5 13-inch laptops 'desirable'

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After the arrival of the first MacBook Air nearly three years ago, the laptop market was stirred up by the ultra-thin, ultra-light trend.

However, unlike before, new models launched are not too high selling price, design, and configuration are also "*polished*" than before.

Here are five of the lightest 13-inch screen laptops worth being:

1. Samsung Series 9



Samsung Series 9 is Samsung's most remarkable laptop in recent times. The device has a thinness of only 16.3 mm and weighs 1.31 kg. (Photo: Tuan Hung) .

Series 9 is Samsung's latest "*response*" for Apple's MacBook Air series. This model has a slim and light design comparable to the "*Apple*" laptop but possesses a much stronger configuration. In addition, the Series also has a

long battery life, high quality screen with SuperBright Plus technology with 400 nit brightness, 16 million colors.

However, the price of this model is also quite high, Series 900X sold in Vietnam equipped with configuration including Core i5-2537M chip clocked at 1.4 GHz, 4GB RAM, 128 GB SSD drive priced at 34 , VND 9 million.

2. Toshiba Portege R830



Unlike the R700, R830 has three choices of colors from the beginning, red, black and blue. (Photo: Tuan Hung) .

As the upgraded version of the R700 series last year, R830 continues to promote many advantages of "elder " such as light weight, impact resistance, long battery life and very good heat dissipation. 1.9cm slim design, light at only 1.4 kg and the shell is made of magnesium alloy with honeycomb structure, making it more durable and better heat dissipation.

The R830 can withstand the impact of leaving a 76cm height and bearing a weight of 100kg on the LCD screen and keyboard spill resistance. Even so, this model is not equipped with a discrete or less graphic card. Most are adding this option to users who need it.

This year's R830 also comes with two colors right from the start including black and red and red. Toshiba Vietnam has not announced the price of this model but according to some rumors, the price will be in the range of VND 30 million depending on the version.

3. Lenovo ThinkPad X1



ThinkPad X1 with super slim design. (Photo: Electronista) .

Following the trend of making ultra-thin, ultra-light computers, Lenovo also takes advantage of the ThinkPad line to make the X1 model a "counterweight" worthy of a variety of models on the market such as the MacBook Air or Samsung Series 9. However, the classic design of X1 will be aimed at business users.

The ThinkPad X1 has a sturdy alloy shell, a backlit keyboard and a webcam that works well in low light. However, the device still feels a bit heavy, the anti-shocking Gorilla screen resists glare and the battery is not as long as expected.

The Lenovo ThinkPad X1 has not yet been officially announced by Lenovo.



The screen version is 11.6 inches (on the right) with a maximum resolution of 1,366 x 768 pixels while a 13.3-inch version has a maximum resolution of 1,440 x 900 pixels. (Photo: Tuan Hung) .

Immediately after the introduction of the upgraded version in October 2010, MacBook Air immediately won the hearts of many technology enthusiasts. The new version is only 17mm thin and weighs 1.36 kg with Apple's unique, attractive unibody design. It also has a long battery life, an SD card slot, and a USB port compared to the previous version.

However, the MacBook Air still has some disadvantages such as a backlit keyboard, a slightly older processor than the launch and a limited connection port. MacBook Air currently has a price in Vietnam of about 28 million VND for configuration including 1.86GHz Core 2 Duo chip, 2GB RAM and 128GB SSD.

5. Sony Vaio SA Series



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Vaio SA series of ultra-thin is a small branch of Sony Vaio S Series with Vaio SB was introduced at CES 2011 exhibition earlier this year. The new models have a robust magnesium alloy shell and 2.4 cm thinness.

The standard version of Vaio SA is equipped with AMD Radeon HD 6630 graphics card with 1GB VRAM memory, 13.3 inch screen with 1,600 x 900 pixel resolution, 500GB hard drive, fingerprint and optical drive slot Blu-ray. Sony Vaio SA also owns the Intel Core i7 quad-core processor.

The battery life of the device can be up to 16 hours continuously. However, equipped with an SSD will cost its owner at least 1,650 USD while the starting price is 1,350 USD.

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