

## 'Pink Ball' Sony Vaio VGN-CR510E

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The version mentioned in the article is pink, one of four impressive colors (blue, red, white, yellow, brown, black). The glittering pink emanating from the outside of the case gives a soft pink border around the keyboard and screen when opening the device. Featured on the bright pink of the phone is a silver keyboard and a shiny chrome border, showing the sophistication in design and the female favor of Sony.



Sony Vaio VGN-CR510E price pink reference \$ 1,150. *Photo: Aha* .

While other Sony notebooks like Vaio AR have large screens of up to 17 inches, or Vaio TZ series with small screens of only 11 inches, the Vaio CR510 is equipped with a screen that is very suitable for users ( 14 inches). So this machine promises to bring users the harmony between performance and mobility. The 14-inch LCD screen of the Vaio CR510 has a high resolution of 1,280 x 800 pixels, often only found on 15-inch machines, using Sony's Xbrite-Eco technology to bring extremely vivid images with true color , sharp and smooth film. In addition, the screen of the device is brighter than other models. When leaving the maximum brightness, CR510 still gives the image very real. Although it is a mirror screen, when used for a long time, it still doesn't feel dazzling and shiny like in many other devices.

The keyboard of the Vaio CR510 is not as wide as that of the Vaio NR430 (15 inch) or NR498, but still gives

users a comfortable feeling. The keys stand out and spread very similar to the keyboards of MacBooks. The touchpad has a moderate size, works quite smoothly. Two rough surface mouse buttons feel rubber-covered and absolutely no noise is still seen on the Sony NR.

Just above the keyboard is a row of 6-button multimedia controls, which are more 'backward' than the touch keys on Dell Inspiron 1525 or HP Pavilion dv5. The front also has multimedia control buttons, very convenient to use when you don't want to open the lid. When pressing the AV Mode button above the keyboard, you can play CDs, DVDs or view photos and listen to stored music files without having to boot into the operating system. In addition to these advantages, equipped with a small capacity speaker will discourage users from listening to music and watching movies.



CR510 series has many colors. *Photo: Notebookreview* .

Sony Vaio CR510 weighs less than 2.2 kg, lighter than the Vaio NR 15 inches to 0.5 kg, and only slightly heavier than the MacBook 13 inch. It is also equipped with the necessary connection ports. While many other newer models support both high definition HDMI connectivity and a variety of video ports, the Vaio CR510 remains faithful to the 2 traditional VGA and S-Video ports. On the right flank are slots for memory cards, and on the left is a button to turn off the Wi-Fi device. Sony Vaio CR510 has a draft N Wi-Fi wireless network card (supports 802.11b and g networking standards well) and Bluetooth.

**Configuration of the machine** Processor 2.0 GHz Intel Core 2 Duo T5750 Memory 3.072 MB DDR2 SDRAM 667 MHz Hard drive 250 GB, 5,400 rpm rpm Chipset Intel GM965 ExpressCard Intel GMAX3100 integrated graphics



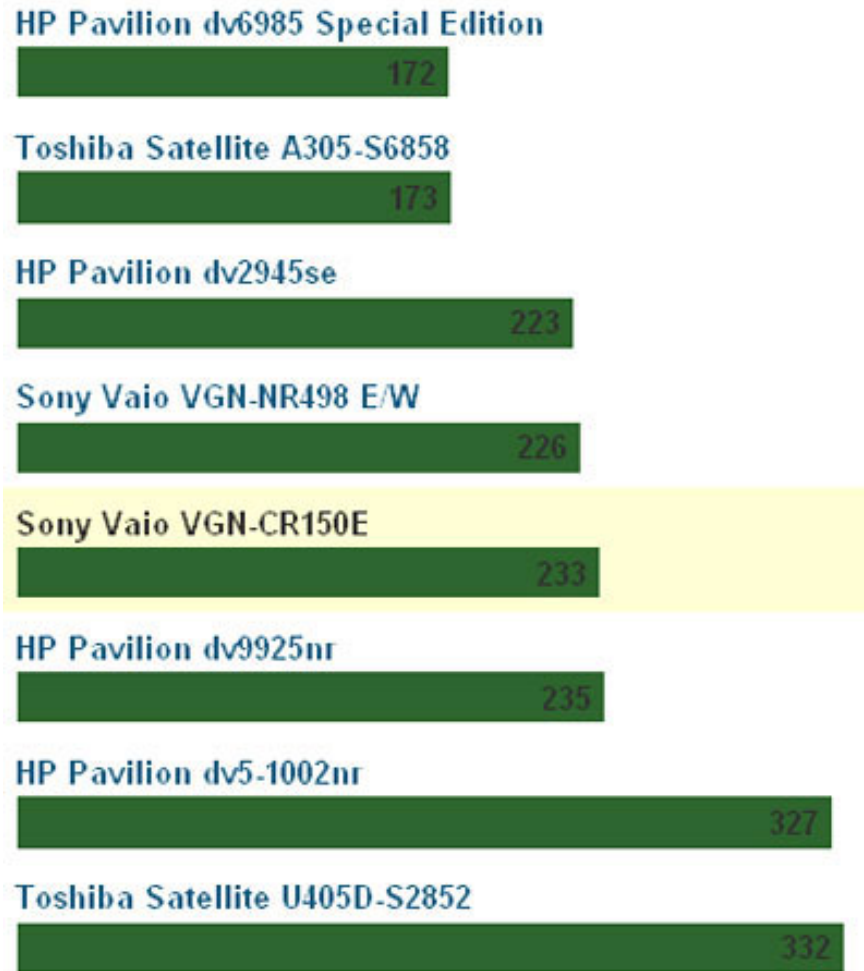
CR series has 14 inch screen

Vaio CR510 also uses Intel Core 2 Duo processor from Intel because it is much more efficient than AMD's Turion X2 CPU processor. Sony Vaio VGN-CR510 will also please users with the basic configuration including Intel Core 2 Duo T5750 processor, 3 GB RAM, and 25 GB hard drive. In testing with other models of the same brand, the product showed the same performance as the Vaio NR498. It also shows that the use of Intel Core 2 Duo T5750 processors offers faster performance than AMD Turion X2 processors with the same price. However, when compared to HP and Toshiba machines with large RAM, the Sony Vaio VGN-CR510 is inferior, especially when running Photoshop CS3 and 64-bit Windows operating systems.

Below is a table comparing the performance of the machine compared to other models of the same price range. The shorter display bar is equivalent to higher performance.



Multi-tasking testing. Sony VGN CR150E Vaio is only inferior to NR498 E / W series, HP Pavilion dv6985 and Toshiba Satellite A305-S6858 - machines with equivalent configuration.



Try using Photoshop CS3, the machine still doesn't pass these three models and the HP Pavilion dv2945se.

The 6 cell battery of Sony Vaio CR510 can operate continuously for 3 hours and 11 minutes.

As always, there are very few large-capacity software preinstalled in Vaio laptops. With the Vaio CR510 the trial version only left 4 icons of AOL applications on the desktop, and Sony also dropped the Spider-Man affiliate software included in the CR120 line introduced last year.

In Vietnam, CR510 has a configuration version: Core 2 Duo T8100 2.1 Ghz 3,072 MB, 320 GB hard drive, DVD RW, 14.1 inch WXGA screen, 2.4 kg heavy. Pink machine. Reference price \$ 1,150.

### Advantages

- Effective operation.
- Long battery life.
- Comfortable, same keyboard of MacBook.
- Less built-in large capacity software.

### Defect

- The buttons for multimedia control are not convenient.

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