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Cyberpower Infinity X123 Pro

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PCs with graphics cards have become pretty expensive over the last few years, as demand has significantly outstripped supply. However, there's light at the end of the tunnel, with prices starting to slide back to normal levels.

This Cyberpower Infinity X123 Pro is a great example of PC manufacturers starting to take advantage of these lower prices. It comes with an RTX 3060 graphics card and costs a tad over £900. That's £165 less than the Box Cube Mythic (www.snipca.com/42112) reviewed in Issue 634, which paired its RTX 3060 card with an AMD Ryzen 5 5500 processor.

Reaches a sensible compromise between price and power

Cyberpower has kept the cost down thanks to those shrinking graphics prices, but also by basing the Infinity X123 Pro around Intel's Core i3-12100F processor. This is a four-core chip at the bottom end of Intel's latest 12-generation series, but don't think for a moment that this is a slow PC. It scored an excellent 7,159 in our benchmark test that shows us how well a PC runs Windows. That compares to 6,760 for the Box Cube





Mythic. You'll still get better Windows performance from our current favourite desktop PC, the Wired2Fire Ultima WS Home Office Workstation (www.snipca. com/41500, see Issue 630), but remember this doesn't have a separate graphics card, so isn't great for games.

Speaking of which, the Infinity handles games really well, delivering an average of 100fps at 1080p in demanding games at high-quality settings in our tests. Even 1440p gaming is within its grasp, with an average frame rate of 87fps, which puts it on a par with the Box Cube Mythic.

The Infinity's case is wider and squatter than most, but it still accommodates everything you'll need. Cyberpower has paired the i3 processor with 8GB of RAM and a 500GB SSD. These are easily accessible should you want to upgrade them in the future. It also comes with Wi-Fi 6 and a 2.5 Gigabit Ethernet port.

Around the outside there's a USB-C port, two USB 3.0 ports and a 3.5mm audio jack on the top that's easy to access. On the back there's another four USB 3.0 ports, two USB 2.0 ports, an HDMI port and three **DisplayPorts**.

SPECIFICATIONS

Four-core Intel i3-12100F processor • 8GB memory • GeForce RTX 3060 graphics card • 500GB M.2 SSD • Wi-Fi 6 • 2x USB-C ports • 6x USB 3.0 ports • 2x USB 2.0 ports • 1x HDMI port • 3x DisplayPorts • Windows 11 Home • 384x288x300mm (HxWxD) • Five-year warranty www.snipca.com/42532

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