Subject: Re: Chromecast
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Chromecast is not a streaming service, but a streaming device, I guess you'd call it.

You would probably not need it if your TV is already WiFi capable, Nymeria. I'm not sure what WiFi TVs do, and how you control them.

Chromecast uses our WiFi system to connect to the internet and allow us to "cast" things to the TV. Things like Netflix, HuluPlus, YouTube, or any browser tab from Chrome. They are supposedly going to be adding more places.

You control it with your computer or phone, but it's using your WiFi to do the streaming. Your laptop, iPad or phone is just basically the remote control.

Our TV can theoretically connect directly to Netflix, but we'd have to run an ethernet cable from the TV to another room to the router. Not practical or cheap. In fact the cable was going to cost three times the price of the Chromecast. So we access Netflix through the Chromecast device.