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Subject: ATRAC Player?

Posted by [PianoGrrl](#) on Tue, 13 Dec 2016 08:05:30 GMT

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In the Secret Santa I just got a Discman which also plays music from SD Card, but instead of MP3's it plays something called ATRAC. All I've been able to find out is it is Sony-propriety, and nowhere online offering that format.

Is it worth looking for more in the format, 'cos otherwise I'm tempted to shove it in a drawer and stick to MP3s.

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Subject: Re: ATRAC Player?

Posted by [Airforce 3](#) on Tue, 13 Dec 2016 08:16:41 GMT

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Unless you live in Japan, I would shelve it. It's a technology that came and went. I'm pretty sure it died out about 8 years ago.

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Subject: Re: ATRAC Player?

Posted by [Lizah](#) on Tue, 13 Dec 2016 14:52:05 GMT

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I've never even heard of that format before. Was it ever actually here in the states? Is there maybe a way to convert those ATRAC files into MP3s? That way you would actually be able to use the gift instead of just hiding it away somewhere.

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Subject: Re: ATRAC Player?

Posted by [bcharlton](#) on Wed, 14 Dec 2016 00:36:32 GMT

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I have never heard of such a format before and I think you are better off with a good MP3 player. How much does it cost? I am curious to see how it looks.

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Subject: Re: ATRAC Player?

Posted by [Tadtone](#) on Fri, 16 Dec 2016 08:22:56 GMT

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ATRAC? Now there's a blast from the past! It's pretty much a dead format outside Japan, so forget finding or buying them. You might as well stick with MP3's.

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Subject: Re: ATRAC Player?

Posted by [PianoGrrl](#) on Fri, 23 Dec 2016 05:03:01 GMT

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Seems it had been sitting in the gifter's drawer for years but I found the model on Amazon. It is not going in a drawer, it is going up for sale, and I am really glad I didn't open it. This is a nice Christmas bonus!

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