
Subject: Overrated Brands

Posted by [Caitlan](#) on Mon, 10 Jul 2017 18:17:07 GMT

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I think that we all have brands we love, but we also all have brands that we believe are overrated. What brand or brand(s) is that for you?

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands

Posted by [johnnycamp5](#) on Mon, 10 Jul 2017 19:16:28 GMT

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For me (in audio) it's Bose.

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands

Posted by [Madison](#) on Wed, 12 Jul 2017 02:00:54 GMT

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Posted by [drake](#) on Wed, 12 Jul 2017 14:41:21 GMT

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Posted by [Lost the Remote](#) on Wed, 12 Jul 2017 16:25:05 GMT

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The Bose noise canceling earphones were innovative and exceptional when they first hit the market, but now, you can find ear phones that do the same with a more affordable price tag. However, I still find Bose the most comfortable to wear and they hold up well, so I wouldn't call them overrated.

Bose speakers, on the other hand, are highly overrated. Not much different than any other set.

Any expensive HDMI cable is overrated.

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands

Posted by [johnnycamp5](#) on Wed, 12 Jul 2017 19:36:06 GMT

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To me "overrated " means there is a lot of noise generated by advertising and word of mouth for a certain product, yet said product isn't all it was cracked up to be in the end.

I agree that beats headphones are overrated.

They seem like more of an image item, than a quality set of headphones.

Personally, I would never own them, yet my kids had to have them lol.

GoPro cameras are heavily advertised, but I do not understand how they are overrated.

Is there another HD sports camera (motion handling capability) out there that's better overall, for the same cost or less.?

I ask because I've always wanted one lol.

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands

Posted by [WorkingWoman2017](#) on Sat, 15 Jul 2017 17:49:37 GMT

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I'm with you on the Bose speakers. They are priced way to high for the casual user. They do have good sound but as it has been pointed out, not better than others. Bose has tried to set a standard with their product and pricing but is now being out-done by others in the industry.

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Posted by [Lost the Remote](#) on Sun, 16 Jul 2017 06:24:44 GMT

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johnnycamp5 wrote on Wed, 12 July 2017 14:36

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The GoPro brand has its fans. If you really want one, I say wait til Christmas deals start then go for it.

There are plenty of GoPro versions now, but most are clunky and hard to pack, they aren't intuitive, the touch screen interface takes awhile to react and usually requires multiple taps, the older versions produced shaky videos, and the battery life left a lot to be desired. To me, it's just a one trick pony.

I've never tried either one of these, but from other reviews it looks like the TomTom Bandit is a contender. Olfi is good enough and is affordable, but has a terrible battery life. You can also do a lot of the same tricks with a cell phone or dash cam.

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands

Posted by [Madison](#) on Sun, 16 Jul 2017 10:25:50 GMT

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drake wrote on Wed, 12 July 2017 09:41

Now that you've mentioned it, I see a lot of Beats headphones around. Could it be that most of these are counterfeit or their capabilities are often blown out of proportion?

Often when someone challenges the super special capabilities of those headphones, Beats claims that that the tester had a counterfeit product. I bought two for my kids from Apple and they are legit. The bluetooth version drops the signal all the time and the plain headphones are no better than Skullcandy's in my opinion. And Skullcandy is at a better price point.

I'm loving your thread idea, Caitlan!

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands

Posted by [Leot55](#) on Thu, 20 Jul 2017 03:21:04 GMT

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I'd like to add two speakers to the overrated list. The Jambox speaker by Jawbone was no different than any other bluetooth speaker, yet it was priced at \$100 or more. Another speaker that was overrated was the Beats Pill. It was tiny and so was the sound. It cost more than the Jambox too.

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands
Posted by [Caitlan](#) on Mon, 24 Jul 2017 01:43:48 GMT
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A lot of people seem to think that Bose is overrated. I'll have to agree since I have come across many cheaper brands that are just as good.

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands
Posted by [Caitlan](#) on Mon, 24 Jul 2017 01:45:09 GMT
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I never thought about the fact that there are many great cameras out there other than GoPro since it's the only thing I hear about.

Subject: Re: Overrated Brands
Posted by [Caitlan](#) on Mon, 24 Jul 2017 01:46:30 GMT
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I forgot all about the beats pill some kind of way. I always see them in music video sponsored by beats, but I've never listened to one.
