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Subject: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [Phonetic Ear](#) on Sun, 24 Oct 2021 10:03:24 GMT

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People like it for its convenience because it allows you to multi-task. It has many features, and having it connected to the wifi is only one of them. Not everyone bothers to have this, however, since they don't find it necessary. Voice command also doesn't work at certain times, which could make the convenient part annoying instead. Do you think this is a must-buy product?

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [Rusty](#) on Sun, 24 Oct 2021 14:18:35 GMT

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I'll be the killjoy curmudgeon here, just because I really don't think they're a must buy thing. But I'm sort of a traditionalist. And I don't feel the need to speak at my audio gear. I don't even mind manually turning up or down volume settings.

The thing I have disdain for with smart devices is their connection to internet commerce. But if people just like it's built in convenience for casual listening, I can see their use. I still use a turntable so, now you get an idea how primitive my mindset is.

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [gofar99](#) on Mon, 25 Oct 2021 01:43:49 GMT

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+1 Rusty

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [Leot55](#) on Fri, 29 Oct 2021 20:00:11 GMT

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I think the choice is going the way of the dinosaur. It's getting to where it's incredibly difficult to find a modern television that doesn't have smart capabilities. In my opinion, it won't be long before all speakers are smart speakers.

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [LCallan](#) on Thu, 04 Nov 2021 21:51:00 GMT

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Yeah, even the high-end brands that were previously focused on the audio experience are getting in on the smart speaker trend. I'm with Leo. I doubt it will be avoidable for much longer. You can

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usually turn the feature off at least.

Rusty, good on you for not being lazy. I think that's the appeal for many of us. We just speak at it, and it does our bidding.

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [LoveJB](#) on Fri, 12 Nov 2021 17:47:10 GMT

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I don't have one yet but I was planning on buying into it. I also think that soon all speakers will be Smart. I'm not opposed to trying them out. I have no issue getting up and turning the volume up or down.

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [Mica](#) on Fri, 12 Nov 2021 22:22:43 GMT

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I've got an Echo Dot with Alexa. I admit that I love to tell her what to play and turn up and down. I don't have anything else though. I'm pretty sure I wouldn't want any other Smart speaker.

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [Csharp](#) on Thu, 16 Dec 2021 23:17:42 GMT

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I think most people buy them just to keep up with the Joneses. Bragging rights and such. Nothing I see in product descriptions indicates that this is must-have technology within this certain product that will make the listening experience through the speaker higher quality.

I'll pass.

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?

Posted by [Kingfish](#) on Sat, 18 Dec 2021 19:32:18 GMT

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Rusty wrote on Sun, 24 October 2021 09:18

The thing I have disdain for with smart devices is their connection to internet commerce.

If someone gifts me one for Christmas, I'll play the most random music in every genre just to mess with their algorithm so they will have no idea what to market to me.

Confuse them so badly, they'll just give on me. LOL

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?  
Posted by [Rusty](#) on Sat, 18 Dec 2021 23:09:32 GMT  
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I'm not inclined to give them an inkling of a chance. They'd figure it out. Probably spewing out even more marketing than ever. They got more bait than a New Orleans brothel.

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?  
Posted by [Curry](#) on Sun, 10 Jul 2022 13:54:00 GMT  
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I'll take smart anytime when it comes to gadgets. It comes with fantastic gains in time, space, and cool features. On top of that, the world is changing fast, and I'll not be left behind again. I used to be old school and missed a lot of terrific stuff. Smart goes well on various new applications, unlike conventional, which can be cumbersome with connectivity. Let's go smart, or soon you'll be left out.

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Subject: Re: Your Take on Smart Speakers?  
Posted by [Rusty](#) on Sun, 10 Jul 2022 14:15:17 GMT  
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I'm intentionally staying left out. As in, I don't care. Smart to me means, "so much about redundant thinking". For me it's all about commerce capture. Nothing in regards to fidelity and appreciation of the love of music. Which is what this forum is based on. The tool for old school. I'm not against technological progress. I'm just selective on how it's dished out.

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