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IS301 hand-held iPod dock

£279.90

Ingenious new hand-held dock lets you roam free with your iPod

One of the iPod's greatest charms is its tactility: in your hand, it simply feels 'right', while you also have total control at your fingertips. However, though hooking up an iPod to a hi-fi system unleashes its full sonic potential, this action also leaves your beloved iPod firmly anchored to the ground. Until now, that is....

Marantz's hand-held IS301 brings all the sonic benefits of an audiophile dock and, for those who wish to, literally, stay in touch with Apple's wonderful and familiar interface, this ingenious bit of kit is the answer.

A hand-held dock you say? Sure, so please let us explain: the Marantz IS301 package includes a compact, detachable Bluetooth-equipped module. Simply plug this adapter into your iPod and it sends audio information, via Bluetooth (A2DP), to the docking station. In turn, the docking station is connected to your hi-fi via a supplied receiver unit. This set-up lets you control the Apple device as usual, while enjoying hi-fi quality sound.

If you prefer, the iPod can be docked in the conventional manner, in the Marantz cradle, where it will be charged and, via USB, can connect iTunes. The cradled approach also means you can even deliver video from your iPod's library when this is wired to the RX receiver unit. The cradle's flexible design means it can be put on a table or wall mounted. Further neat touches are the source and volume controls, making operation a complete breeze.

And the IS301's charms are not restricted to the iPod. Almost any A2DP-supporting mobile can connect to the IS301 as well.

Enabling even further flexibility of placement, the dock communicates with the supplied RX receiver unit. This comes with an extensive list of audio and visual connections, including analogue audio, video and remote control inputs. Outputs comprise audio, component video, S-Video, and CVBS.

Oh, and to top-off this new unit's list of 'friendly' features, no iPod connection adapters are

required.

The Marantz IS301 will be available from January 2009.

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