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Ready to Record

LG's 50PC1D 50-inch plasma HDTV display has a built-in personal video recorder for recording TV programs from its analog and digital TV tuners. The recorder's 160-GB hard drive will accommodate up to 15 hours of high-definition video or 66 hours of standard-definition video. You can select the shows you want to watch and record using the set's TV Guide onscreen interactive program guide. LG rates the lifespan of its "DoubleLife" plasma panel at 60,000 hours. Available in March for \$5,999, the 50PC1DR features a CableCARD-ready digital HDTV tuner, HDMI input, and 14-bit digital video processing for enhanced colour and tonal gradation.



The Real Thing

Energy's new Reference Connoisseur RC-Mini and RC-Mini Center loudspeakers feature real wood veneer cabinets. Both models are available in rosenut, cherry or piano-black high-gloss finishes, and come with wall-mounting brackets. The RC-Mini (\$250 each) combines a one-inch hyperbolic aluminum-dome tweeter and 4.5-inch fibreglass woofer. The woofer has a ribbed elliptical surround attaching the cone to the basket; according to Energy, this allows lower distortion and higher output than conventional designs. The RC-Center (\$300) uses two 4.5-inch woofers, with an aluminum dome tweeter in the middle.



High-Def Memories

Sanyo's tiny XActi HD1 camera-corder lets you capture high-definition 720p video and five-megapixel still images onto SD memory cards. A 1-GB card can store 21 minutes of high-definition or an hour of standard-definition video. Weighing only 232 g, the XActi HD1 features a 2.2-inch high-contrast OLED (organic light-emitting diode) display that can rotate up to 285°, allowing users to record video and stills from any shooting angle. It will be available in March for \$1,100 MSRP.