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IN DETAIL WEB-HUNGRY MOVIE STREAMER

-Link Boxee Box

£200 www.boxee.tv

Boxee gives its media streaming software its very own box — and Apple TV a run for its money. But what does a Boxee Box offer that Apple's effort can't?

Setting up your Boxee Box is simple. Just connect it to your telly via HDMI, hook it up to the net via Wi-Fi or Ethernet and you're pretty much ready to go. There are a couple of USB ports and an SD card slot for accessing music, movies and pics, but it's on the internet that the fun starts...



Technically you don't need a computer to use Boxee. With hundreds of free apps offering access to everything from BBC iPlayer, 4oD and Last.fm to top-notch comedy clips on Funny Or Die, Boxee brings the best (and worst) of the web straight to your telly.

Stuff says

More skilled than Apple TV, but will a Boxee Box be worth the extra outlay?



Want to share the latest episode of The Inbetweeners with your foulmouthed friends? Boxee has Facebook and Twitter plumbed straight in, meaning if something tickles you, you can share it with the world without even

having to fire up your web browser.

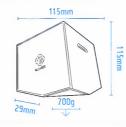
Boxee's remote isn't just a bogstandard, four-way clicker. Flip it round and you'll find a full QWERTY keypad on the back, making it much easier to, say, search YouTube for StSanders' latest music video (check out the Beatles one - you won't be disappointed).

Alternatively...

Apple TV

£100 | www.apple.com/uk Half the price of the Boxee but with a maximum resolution of 720p and limited codec support. Apple TV might make for a more streamlined experience, but Boxee offers much more freedom.





Max resolution 1920x1080p Video Flash 10.1, H.264, VC-1, MP2, MP4, DivX, XviD, WMV9, VOB, MKV... and more Audio MP3, WAV, WMA, AIFF, AC3/AAC, Ogg, FLAC, DTS, Dolby Digital, Dolby True HD Connectivity HDMI, optical digital, RCA audio, Wi-Fi (802.11b/g/n), Ethernet, 2xUSB, SD card



Web Site: http://www.stuffmag.co.uk

Your Boxee Box will liberate any video stored on your Mac, PC or NAS, streaming it over your network with support for almost every codec under the sun. There's also an optical digital output and, as long as

> full 1080p video. Hear that, Apple TV?

your TV can handle it, it supports