

TechRadar Choice: Top 5 portable DVD players

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Summer's here and with the recession forcing more of us to holiday within these shores, you'll need some entertainment for those long road trips or train journeys.

Portable DVD players provide the ideal solution, and if you're feeling the pinch you'll be pleased to hear that you needn't pay through the nose for a decent deck, as demonstrated by these five slick takeaway disc spinners.

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Toshiba SD-P73S

Does the Toshiba SD-P73S offer a good portable deal?

Read: [Toshiba SD-P73S review](#)

With its eye-catching black and white finish, the SD-P73S looks as pretty as a picture. It uses the traditional flip-top design, with a 7in, 16:9 screen set into the top section

It doesn't swivel like some of the other Toshiba models so shared viewing isn't easy, although there are two headphone sockets specifically for that purpose.

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Panasonic DVD-LS84

The portable DVD player with a super-versatile 8-inch screen

Read: [Panasonic DVD-LS84 review](#)

The Panasonic DVD-LS84 is equipped with an 8in widescreen, but thanks to the 'Free Style Viewing' feature, you can choose how to watch it. The screen unclips from the back support and

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slides forward onto the base, turning it into a tablet-style device, or you can opt for the traditional flip-top design

Either way, this slim, compact unit is comfortable to hold and pleasingly light, even with the battery pack attached. But its dull grey finish doesn't do it any favours.

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LG DP391B

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We're swayed by the functionality of LG's portable offering

Read: [LG DP391B review](#)

BEST BUY: For such a slim and sleek piece of kit, the LG DP391B certainly packs a healthy variety of socketry around its rim.

Picture quality, via its 8in TFT screen, is very good indeed. There's decent colour fidelity and motion control is tight. Audio via the headphone port is beefy, bassy and bold.

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Philips PET712

Philips' PET712 offers two screens for a reasonable price

Read: [Philips PET712 review](#)

This is the answer to parents' prayers: the PET712 has a pair of 7in screens, so kids can watch the same movie on separate screens.

Pictures are supplied to both via a compact square-shaped player, cutely styled in white and silver. It feels a little flimsy, but its shock-proof construction means it should withstand a few knocks

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Panasonic DMP-B15

Too chunky to be truly portable, but a brilliant Blu-ray player

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Why would anyone want a portable Blu-ray player? Answer: when it's as good as Panasonic's one-of-a-kind DMP-B15.

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Those looking to exploit the hi-def format with a huge plasma or projector will doubtless balk at the idea of its tiny 8.9in LCD screen, but that view rather misses the point. What Panasonic has produced is a fully featured player that just happens to be portable.

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