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An old Polaroid camera
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The film-based version is obsolete

Polaroid, the name that makes us remember the old photographs we shook desperately, in an attempt to make them develop faster, is now renouncing the brand of cameras that made it famous, and introduces its next-generation counterpart, a digital version that also has a built-in printer. Though it's short of all the modern features, such as auto-focus, it does bring back a bit of the feeling that made its predecessor so popular.

The incorporated printer produces 2x3 inch photos on the spot, and is able to fully develop a picture in less than a minute, which makes the waiting time similar to its old counterpart. However, when printing the selected photos, it crops a bit from the top and the bottom of the image, a feature that can not be overruled.

On the bright side, you can now choose which pictures you want to print, as opposed to the new models, which placed the image on paper as soon as you pressed the button. Taking advantage of the modern technology, you can now shuffle through the pics you made and select only those worthy of seeing the light of day. Despite the fact that the new model may prove invaluable when those family moments happen, you should know before buying it that the speed of the shutter is fairly low, which means that it takes some time for the photo to be processed after you press the button.

Though it only features a 5-megapixel sensor, it does bring back the feeling of the earlier models, in that the colors have the same, a-bit-off hues, and a vintage look to them. It's obviously not made for professional use, but it's very fun to have around at picnics or barbecues.

Another advantage it has is that the photos are printed on adhesive paper, which means that you can easily peel them off and stick them to any surface you like, including refrigerator doors and coffee mugs, for instant customization.

If you're looking to experience some more of the old Polaroid point-and-shoot feeling, this camera is the way to go. Don't expect performance or perfect pictures, but, if you want to have some fun, take it out for a "spin," to remember the good old days.