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[MWC 2008: Nokia N96 Is Official and Bests N95 in All Features](#)

Even the price is better

Nokia just unveiled its latest [Nokia N96](#) multimedia computer at the Mobile World Congress in Barcelona, Spain. Truly optimized for video and TV, the device features a large 2.8" screen, 16 gigabytes of internal memory and support for high-quality videos in a wide range of formats. Accessing internet videos is quick and simple, as the new Nokia N96 supports common video formats including MPEG-4, Windows Media Video and [Flash](#) Video, making favorite videos easy to view. Transferring and accessing videos is even faster with the high-speed USB 2.0 connection and WLAN and HSDPA support. In select markets, the integrated [DVB-H](#) receiver offers live broadcast TV with an automatically updating program guide. The massive 16GB internal memory can store up to 40 hours of video content. The storage capacity of the Nokia N96 can even be further expanded with an optional [microSD](#) card, such as the new Nokia 8GB microSDHC Card MU-43 which increases the available memory of the Nokia N96 to a total of 24 GB. For added convenience, the Nokia N96 features a 'kickstand' on the back cover that allows for hands-free viewing. The Nokia Video Center offers one place to discover and access a variety of mobile content ranging from movie trailers and comedy to news from world-leading content brands such as [YouTube](#), Reuters, and Sony Pictures. The catalog of internet video feeds is continually expanded with more regional and country specific content. For a superb music experience, the Nokia N96 features media keys, a 3.5 mm headphone connector and built-in 3D stereo speakers. The Nokia Maps application offers richer maps with urban details and satellite views and has upgrade options such as City Guides, turn-by-turn pedestrian mode and voice-guided car navigation. The Nokia N96 boasts a 5 megapixel camera with [Carl Zeiss](#) optics, flash and video light. It allows DVD-like quality video capture at 30 frames per second. Further, with the integrated A-GPS, consumers can now 'geotag' their pictures with location data and share them with their online communities. The N96 naturally supports the Ovi family of Nokia internet services, including maps, music, media sharing and more. The [Nokia](#) N96 multimedia computer is expected to begin shipping in the third quarter of 2008 with an estimated sales price of approximately 550 euros, before subsidies or taxes.