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\$499

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Sony Cybershot DSC-TX1

SLIMLINE WITH GOOD IMAGE QUALITY FOR THE PARTY CROWD

The DSC-TX1 is a tiny 94 x 17 x 58mm and 120g. Its overall slenderness is emphasised by the sliding faceplate and compact optics. It's sturdy and scratch resistant, with few buttons, making it perfect for stashing in a handbag or pocket.

Even at this size, though, the TX1 is far from a toy. It features a 10mp sensor with 4x zoom. Image stabilisation is paramount, given the compact size, and it delivers in spades. At the rear, there's a 3in LCD that functions as a liveview - there's no optical viewfinder - and touchscreen controls. Touchscreen hasn't been our favourite thing, but the TX1 is

responsive and icons are well-sized for touch operation.

It performs quite fast in action to startup and shoot. The intelligent automatic mode chooses one of a range of settings for point-and-shoot simplicity. Face recognition has been improved over previous Sony models, and there's now a Party Dock (\$299) which will swivel, scanning for faces to photograph. It's a little gimmicky, but fun for parties.

Exposure levels are good at the full range of ISO from 125-3200, with less noise than many on test here, and there's



a new twilight mode that stitches together 6 high ISO pics to reduce noise impressively. The price is high for the camera, but it's one for the party set.

IMAGE QUALITY



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OVERALL

