

Flip Video Notes by Rachel Hall

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Flip Video is a small, inexpensive, portable video recorder with easy-to-use features and no cables or add-ons to keep track of.

Purchase:

- \$120 - \$180 from Amazon, Best Buy, Barnes & Noble, Dell, Dick's Sporting Goods, Office Max, Overstock, Sears, Staples, Toys "R" Us

Power Specs:

- 2 AA Batteries or Internal Lithium Rechargeable
- 2, 4 or 8 GB hard drive
- 60 - 120 minutes of recording

LCD Screen Specs:

- 1.5" - 2" screen
- 528x132 or 960x240 resolution
- Transflective TFT (for bright daylight)

Video Quality Specs:

- 640x480 or 1280x720 resolution
- 30 frames per second
- 4.0 - 9.0 Mbps bitrate

Features:

- Record
- Zoom
- Play
- FF / RW
- Pause
- Set Date / Time
- Built-in Speakers / Microphone
- Playback Volume Control
- Flip-out USB arm – no cables to keep track of!

Software:

- Windows or Mac
- .avi file format, which is a big, raw video format. Use software to convert to compressed mpeg format.
- Camera comes with software: "Flip Video Program" (old) or "FlipShare" (new); free upgrades available on Flip Video website; simple interface for playing, editing and saving movies
- Can also use other video editing software, such as Windows Movie Maker or iMovie
- Takes approx. 7 - 36 min to upload one hour of video; depends on if you have a USB 1.0 or 2.0 port
- Can upload videos straight to YouTube!