



# iPod Docking Stations

For stress-free at-home moments, sit back, relax, and surround yourself with your favorite music. To find the top new iPod docking stations, we tested 32 for usability (How hard is setup? Can you easily adjust the volume?) and performance (How's the sound quality? What special features are included?) as well as appearance. These five are the jam-worthy champs.



### 1 & 2 STAR PERFORMER

The **mStation 2.1 Stereo Tower** (\$299), with intuitive controls, great audio, and a subwoofer to boost the bass, is a sound investment. The only flat note: Some testers complained the tall tower took up too much space. For a lower price, the **mStation 2.1 Stereo Orb** (\$129) has the same type of system on a smaller scale and comes in seven colors.

### 3 TESTERS' CHOICE

Consumers raved about **TEAC CD-X10i's** (\$199) sound and style. It's fully loaded with a subwoofer, CD player, digital AM/FM radio, clock, sleep timer, and wall-mountable speakers. A minor negative is that the bulky remote control has a confusing layout.

### 4 BEST BARGAIN

In addition to playing your iPod, the **Memorex Mi1111** (\$100) lets you access the airwaves on the digital AM/FM radio with station presets and spin your favorite discs in the top-loading CD player. It comes with a remote, though most testers weren't impressed, since it doesn't work well unless aimed straight on.

### 5 CLASS ACT

For an admirable player in a chic package, the **Vers 2x** (\$180) strikes the right chord. The speakers are housed in a sleek cherry veneer cabinet (also in walnut and dark walnut—or bamboo for \$20 more). The remote has a useful playlist feature to more easily access your favorite mixes.

