

Gadget Review
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One for the road

Gadget: Sudio Silhouette

What it is

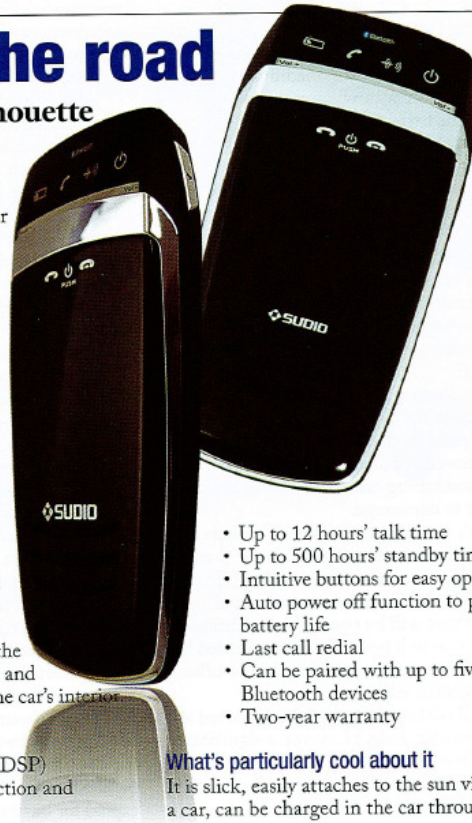
A Bluetooth hands-free speaker phone that allows a driver to keep both hands on the wheel while speaking on the phone.

Why you need it

Most brokers spend a considerable amount of time driving to various appointments, and it is usually on one of these drives that an important phone call comes through. And while you may have the ability to juggle a gear stick, wheel, phone and articulate conversation, it is uncomfortable, dangerous and illegal. The Sudio Silhouette allows a driver to answer calls without rummaging through the car and, additionally, is stylish and unobtrusive so it fits in with the car's interior.

Key features

- Digital Signal Processor (DSP) technology for noise reduction and echo cancellation



- Up to 12 hours' talk time
- Up to 500 hours' standby time
- Intuitive buttons for easy operation
- Auto power off function to preserve battery life
- Last call redial
- Can be paired with up to five Bluetooth devices
- Two-year warranty

What's particularly cool about it

It is slick, easily attaches to the sun visor of a car, can be charged in the car through an

What happened when we tested it

AB's Agnes Gajewska fitted the Sudio Silhouette onto the sun visor of her car and made a call or two...

"Connecting my phone to the Sudio Silhouette was nice and simple, and once the Bluetooth bond between the two was established, disconnecting and re-connecting was a cinch. Voice dialling came to my aid when I called out, although had my phone not been as technologically savvy, I would have had to follow the traditional channels of wading through the phonebook to dial. However, accepting calls is where the Sudio Silhouette is most often used and is very proficient. Answering a call was easily done with the press of one button, and the quality of the sound and clarity impressed me – my friend's voice resonated with a surprising presence in my car as she gave me directions through the maze of Sydney city streets."

included charger or through the USB port of a computer and, when not connected to another device, it turns off if it has not been used for an hour to preserve the battery life.

What it will cost you

\$129

Where you can get it

Sudio products are available from most mobile phone retail outlets, including Allphones, Fone Zone, Retravision, Crazy John's, Harvey Norman, Dick Smith, Virgin Mobile, Optus World and Telstra Shop. ■