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Subject: whats a good heatsink/fan

Posted by [trunkskgb](#) on Fri, 27 Aug 2010 01:11:37 GMT

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I need a good and reliable fan for my processor. I have a Core i7 930 chip, LGA 1366 slot.

I usually buy my stuff on newegg, but when it comes to heatsink I'm not sure which brand is good.

Anyone got any ideas?

Below is a link to the newegg page.

<http://www.newegg.com/Product/ProductList.aspx?Submit=ENE&N=100008000%20600035360&IsNodId=1&name=LGA%201366>

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Subject: Re: whats a good heatsink/fan

Posted by [Caveman](#) on Fri, 27 Aug 2010 08:27:41 GMT

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Depends on how much you're willing to spend.

I recently had an Artic Freezer Pro which cost me £17 (\$25-\$30) which kept my cpu relatively cool. When I started to overclock it didnt keep my cpu as cool as I wanted so I went out and bought a Scythe Ninja 3 which cost me £39 and its here on NE for \$50 which is quite cheap.

If your case doesnt have a slot in the back for aftermarket coolers then you will have to remove your motherboard to fit this cooler.

Hope it helps

Artic Freezer Pro (more expensive here) :

<http://www.newegg.com/Product/Product.aspx?Item=N82E16835186134>

Scythe Ninja 3 : <http://www.newegg.com/Product/Product.aspx?Item=N82E16835185147>

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Subject: Re: whats a good heatsink/fan

Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Fri, 27 Aug 2010 19:56:38 GMT

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If you don't want to spend too much, then my vote is for the Coolermaster Hyper 212+. It competes very well with coolers two or three times its price, and includes all the accessories required to mount a second fan. I use it on my Phenom 955, and it manages to really keep my CPU really cool under load.

<http://www.hardwarecanucks.com/forum/hardware-canucks-reviews/19383-cooler-maste-r-hyper-212-plus-cpu-cooler-review.html>

If you're willing to spend some more cash, then the Thermaltake Frio is what you should check out as it comes with two very good fans, and excellent cooling performance.

<http://www.hardwarecanucks.com/forum/hardware-canucks-reviews/32294-thermaltake-frio-cpu-cooler-review.html>

Whichever cooler you buy, be sure to get a good thermal paste. I prefer OCZ Freeze as it's really good, but Arctic Silver 5 is also very popular.

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Subject: Re: whats a good heatsink/fan  
Posted by [trunkskgb](#) on Fri, 27 Aug 2010 22:15:30 GMT  
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Thanks guys, yeah price isn't a huge issue. Most of the one I've been researching are around \$50 and higher.

Is this fan good? Link below...

[http://www.tigerdirect.com/applications/searchtools/item-details.asp?EdpNo=4387079&csid=\\_25](http://www.tigerdirect.com/applications/searchtools/item-details.asp?EdpNo=4387079&csid=_25)

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Subject: Re: whats a good heatsink/fan  
Posted by [Caveman](#) on Sat, 28 Aug 2010 11:42:58 GMT  
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Well going by the reviews it's a good cooler however I think it might be a bit over the top. If you aren't planning to seriously overclock your system then a simple cooler like the Artic Freezer Pro or the Cooler Master N520. Many of the sub \$40 coolers perform just as well, albeit 2-3 degrees here and there.

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Subject: Re: whats a good heatsink/fan  
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Sat, 28 Aug 2010 23:49:19 GMT  
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Agreed, that seems a bit over the top. Plus, the extra electronic hoopajoops only make it more complicated in case something goes wrong.

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Subject: Re: whats a good heatsink/fan  
Posted by [trunkskgb](#) on Thu, 02 Sep 2010 15:43:20 GMT

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Problem solved, a new heatsink and 3 fans. My temps have been cut in HALF!

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