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Winter wonderland

Keep your iPod warm when you're out on the piste

If you're planning a skiing holiday this year then why not splash out on some iPod-friendly winter-wear for those musical après-ski moments. The Freedom Jacket, by O'Neill (www.ooneill.com), is a skiing jacket that includes a special pocket for your iPod. It also sports a set of touch-sensitive controls on the sleeve, enabling you to play your tunes without exposing the iPod to the conditions. It's a bit pricey though, at £250.

A cheaper alternative comes in the form of the Urban Tool sportHolster (left) (www.urbantool.com), priced at £35. The sportHolster fits around your shoulder and can be worn either on the inside or the outside of your jacket. The elasticated strap holds your iPod securely in place but is flexible enough that it won't impede movement when you're zooming along the slopes. Finally, for the finishing touch you can complete your outfit with the Boomers EM-50 Ear Muff Earphones. These fluffy muffs cost just £14.99 (www.amazon.co.uk) and include a built-in set of earphones so you can listen to your music while keeping your ears nice and warm. There's a volume control too, so you can turn the tunes down without having to reach for the iPod.

Ski suit Take your iPod out onto the slopes this winter in Urban Tools' sportHolster

Tower of power

Powerful but portable speaker system

At £250, the Porto isn't the cheapest set of portable iPod speakers we've seen, but it packs a lot of features into a compact and novel design. Audio Pro's Porto works with most iPod models, and comes wrapped up in plush red or black leather casing. It includes stereo speakers along with a separate bass speaker to provide a really rich, strong sound, and there's a connector that lets you plug it in to a subwoofer as well. The built-in rechargeable battery can last for up to eight hours, and there's an FM tuner for listening to the radio, too.

All in one The Porto combines style and practicality

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Dock in unison

Stylish multimedia iPod dock

Cygnett has released its Unison i-XD dock for the iPod. The i-XD will work with the Unison speakers, but it also has USB, RCA audio and S-Video connectors so you can connect it to any music system or use it to play your photo slideshows and videos on a TV screen. Available in black or white, it costs £49.99 and includes USB, audio and video cables.

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