

New Microsoft SideWinder X3 Mouse Fits Your Hand and Your Wallet
First ambidextrous SideWinder mouse offers gaming performance for either hand.

SINGAPORE — April 15, 2009 — Microsoft Corp. today announced a new addition to the award-winning family of SideWinder gaming products, the SideWinder X3 Mouse, which combines gaming performance and versatile design at a value price of S\$59.00.¹ This ambidextrous, eight-button gaming mouse delivers comfort for either hand along with the performance features fans of SideWinder products know and love, including a 2,000 dots-per-inch (dpi) laser-tracking engine with on-the-fly dpi switching between high, medium and low sensitivity. The SideWinder X3 Mouse is easy on the wallet, but it does not skimp on performance, offering gamers a full set of features and launching them ahead of the competition.

“Our research shows that in-game comfort continues to be the main consideration for PC gamers,” said Bill Jukes, product marketing manager for Microsoft Hardware. “We designed this mouse to be ambidextrous and small in size, providing comfort to a wider variety of people and making it ideal for gaming as well as everyday use.”

Performance Gaming, Perfect Price

Like its siblings the SideWinder X5 Mouse and the original SideWinder Mouse, the SideWinder X3 Mouse has five programmable main buttons that are customizable to gamers’ preferences and tested for extreme gaming, with the main button life rated to 10 million clicks. Additional features include these:

- **IntelliPoint software** to create and assign macros
- **Wide, detented scroll wheel** for more precise click movement
- **Low-profile lateral side buttons** for easy access during gaming and everyday computing
- **Wide-glide feet** for smooth handling and a light, balanced feel

The X3 is the latest addition to the Microsoft SideWinder family of premium gaming products, which now includes:

- **The original SideWinder mouse**
- **The SideWinder X5 mouse**
- **The SideWinder X8 wireless mouse with BlueTrack technology**
- **The SideWinder X6 gaming keyboard**

Visit the SideWinder product page at <http://www.microsoft.com/hardware/gaming/>

Pricing and Availability

The SideWinder X3 Mouse will be available from May 2009 in Singapore for an estimated retail price of S\$59.00. More information about this and other Microsoft Hardware products can be found at <http://www.microsoft.com/hardware>.

About Microsoft Hardware

For more than 25 years, the Hardware Group has employed innovative engineering, cutting-edge industrial design and extensive usability testing to create products of exceptional

quality and durability that enhance the software experience and strengthen the connection between consumers and their PC. Microsoft Hardware leads the industry in ergonomic engineering, industrial design and hardware/software compatibility, offering consumers an easier, more convenient and more enjoyable computing experience. In 2008, the Hardware Group debuted the world's most advanced tracking technology — BlueTrack Technology — allowing consumers to track on more surfaces than optical and laser mice. More information about the Hardware Group is available at <http://www.mshardwareguide.com>.

About Microsoft

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¹ Actual retail prices may vary.

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