

DXG Announces a Cheap Combo Camera

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The new DXG-589V is a \$199 gizmo for kids that includes a digicam, camcorder, MP3 player, and games.

The new DXG-589V from DXG USA joins the growing ranks of electronic gizmos aimed at today's kids. Competitively priced, this little \$199.99 gadget is a digital camera, camcorder, MP3 player, and Gameboy-style game machine all rolled into one tiny device.

Designed to be super-portable, the under-6-ounce DXG-589 is aimed squarely at tweens and teens who seek a compact device able to capture their active lifestyle, according to DXG USA. Built around a 5MP CMOS sensor, DXG USA claims the DXG-589 will be able to snap still pictures as well as shoot MPEG-4 movies in 640-by-480 resolution at 20 frames per second. Accepting SD memory cards, the unit will also be able to record directly from video sources like VCRs, TVs, and DVD players in real time for later viewing.

Besides the DXG-589's image-capturing capabilities, DXG USA touts the camera's ability to playback digital music through its bundled stereo headphones. The DXG-589 is also designed to function as a portable game device and will ship with 20 built-in games users can play on its 3-inch color LCD display. This screen rotates to flip the unit between game and camera modes,

Expect the DXG to be available immediately from major retailers such as Best Buy and Circuit City.

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