

Nokia Unveils 1 Green Phone, 1 Super Phone

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Nokia's "Remade" recycled phone (left) and N96 "multi-media computer" phone (right).

Among its many new devices at this week's Mobile World Congress in Barcelona, the Finnish company Nokia is demonstrating two cell phones that are intriguing in very different ways. The "Remade" is built almost entirely from recycled materials, while the N96 is Nokia's high-end "multimedia computer" phone.

The attraction of the Remade lies in its future potential. Although the phone isn't functional, Nokia hopes that similar concepts could be implemented in future devices.

The clamshell phone's casing is made entirely from recycled aluminum cans, and its chassis is made from the plastic of recycled drink bottles. The rubber keys come from old car tires. The screen and circuit board also minimize environmental impact by using manufacturing techniques such as printed electronics. The display graphics are also specially



selected to save energy.

While the "Remade" concept itself isn't planned for production, all the components are plausible and could be applied to a real phone. Nokia hopes that the knowledge gathered while designing and building the phone will play a role in future Nokia handsets.

On the other hand, the N96 is the hot phone of today. The successor to the N95, the N96 contains 16GB of on-board memory, which is enough to hold about 40 hours of video or 12,000 songs. If that's not enough space, the phone also has a slot for an 8GB microSD memory card. The device also has GPS, a 5-megapixel camera, a DVB-H television tuner for watching live TV, and even a little kick-stand so the phone can be propped up when viewing the 2.8-inch display.

The N96 will be available in September for around US\$800.

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