

Samsung NC310 Netbook Claims 11 Hour Battery Life

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(PhysOrg.com) -- Most standard netbooks offer between two and five hours of battery life, the newly released Samsung NC310 goes beyond these limits and can achieve 11 hours of computing time on a single charge. Of course this comes with a price as an extended battery would need to be purchased. With a standard battery you are looking at 5 hours on a single charge.

In a previous article, I wrote for PhysOrg, [Asus 1000HE Netbook Claims 9.5 Hour Battery Life](#); [Asus](#) achieves 9.5 hours of [battery life](#) by lowering [CPU performance](#), shutting off Bluetooth, etc. The Asus 1000HE currently sells for \$340 and the [Samsung](#) NC310, when released in the US, will sell for about \$580. With the cost of an [extended battery](#)

you are looking at a price tag well over \$600.

The Samsung NC310 appears to use a similar platform as the already popular NC10. However the NC310 comes with a few upgrades aside from the 11 hour extended battery. On the NC310 you get the same 10.1-inch LCD, 160GB HDD, and 1GB of RAM, but also included is WiFi, [HSDPA](#), WiBRO (WiMAX in [Korea](#)), Bluetooth, and a 1.3 megapixel camera. The full specifications are not currently available.

The NC310 won't replace the NC10, which is currently selling in the U.S but Samsung plans to sell both for some time. The NC310 may be positioned as more of a "premium [netbook](#)" because of its design. Samsung has not announced pricing, but other sources have reported that it will be priced at about \$580. You can also get an identically configured NC10 for \$428. The NC310 will be available North America as well as Asia and Europe starting sometime in April.

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