

## The amile with me set up!

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Hi everyone,

Mine is very basic .. I have an IPOD NANO and simply slot in a matchbox sized device called a "Belkin Tunetalk" which I picked up for £15 at PCWorld

Heres the link to the product:

[http://catalog.belkin.com/IWCatProductP ... \\_Id=277661](http://catalog.belkin.com/IWCatProductP..._Id=277661)

It simply slots into the bottom of the IPOD Nano and your files get recorded directly onto the ipod. They then get automatically fed into your Itunes library when you next Synch up to the PC.

It records in either Stereo or Mono (selectable), in CD quality WAV format.

There are sockets on the bottom for an external (mono or stereo) mike and line-in. It also has a switchable autogain which equalises the volume quite nicely and ensures you dont get overmodulation. A small LED flashes with peaks in volume. It also comes with a stand and a detachable USB cable to charge the ipod while you are using the device.

There is a built in stereo mic that provides good separation. As there are no moving parts there is no noise caused by the device itself so and external mic isnt really necessary. I have an external stereo condenser mike that I dont really use much. This is because the coupled Nano and device is small enough to easily hold. This means I can run with it and record with it directly from my hand.

On the downside there is no wind filter on the built in mics, although it doesnt pick up much noise compared to the external mic I have. The only other issue is that the software has the delete file function at the top of the menu list. Although it will ask you "are you sure" its easy to delete a file if you get ok button "click happy"!

So if you have an Ipod its a cheap, simple and (from the quality of the audio on the podcast - I think !) a fairly effective option. All in all a great device and much better than I expected for the money.

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