

# Best Buy monitor

The cheapest places to shop for our Best Buys

## TUMBLE DRIERS

Our Best Buy tumble driers stand out from the pack because they dry more quickly, evenly and energy efficiently, without being too noisy. They're not too much of a hassle to use and clean, either.

All of our Best Buys have sensors that stop the drier automatically when the clothes are dry enough to iron or put straight into the cupboard. They have a wide range of automatic programs, too, including several different options for cottons and easy-care fabrics.

**CONDENSER**  
These models trap water from your washing in a container. You can install them wherever you like, but they use more energy than vented models and take more looking after.

**VENTED**  
These models expel damp air from the room via a hose out of the window or a permanent vent in the wall. They're relatively cheap, but the vent restricts the locations where you can put them.

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### VENTED



#### MIELE T4123

£500 from Miller Brothers

Finishes off a full load of cottons in an hour and 15 minutes – quicker than any other drier we've tested. The display panel is simpler than that on the condenser drier, and the lint filter is easy to get at.

**SCORE 65%**



#### BOSCH WTA4107

£250 from Currys and Miller Brothers

This Bosch is slightly less easy to use than the Miele, above, because the door is a bit smaller and the lint filter is harder to clean. But it's cheaper, dries clothes swiftly, and is otherwise well designed.

**SCORE 61%**

### CONDENSER



#### MIELE T4652C

£850 from Miller Brothers

The most advanced drier we've tested scores the highest in our tests. But maximum load is only 5kg, and the heat exchanger, which needs to be cleared of fluff four or five times a year, is tricky to reach.

**SCORE 64%**



#### SIEMENS WTXL733

£450 from John Lewis

This is technically the same drier as the Bosch, above, with the controls jiggled about a bit to look different. It also has a pollen filter that stops allergens being sucked into the drier.

**SCORE 61%**



#### BOSCH WTL6307 EXXCEL

£420 from Miller Brothers

At less than half the price of the Miele, the Bosch has 1kg more capacity, which means you can pack in about four more shirts. The heat exchanger is also easier to reach.

**SCORE 61%**



#### AEG T57800

£550 from Miller Brothers

This replaces our previous Best Buy, the AEG T57760 – changes are cosmetic only. We particularly liked its lint filter, which pops out at the press of a button to make cleaning it easier.

**SCORE 59%**

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On it you'll find:

- full test results for 26 tumble driers, both condenser and vented models
- information about reliability, tips for drying efficiently and buying spare parts
- full test results for 28 washing machines and 10 washer-driers.



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