

Clean up for less

This month we bring you a selection of laundry Best Buys from [which.co.uk](http://www.which.co.uk) that won't break the bank

Last year was financially challenging for many of us but, even if you have been careful with your Christmas spending, the costs of celebrations can mount up.

In 2009, you may still need to replace a home appliance or two, and we can help you find a great Best Buy at a reasonable price.

No matter what the time of year, you'll find a complete set of all the currently available products we've tested at www.which.co.uk/reviews – even ones we can't fit in the magazine – along with the lowest online prices, so you get a great deal on all our Best Buys.

Here's a selection of the most affordable laundry Best Buys as we went to press. Prices could well fall in New Year sales, so don't forget to check www.which.co.uk/laundry

and [cleaning](http://www.which.co.uk/cleaning) for the best deals on Best Buy washing machines, tumble dryers, washer-dryers and many more laundry products. With reviews for nearly 700 laundry and cleaning products on the website, you're sure to find one that suits your needs.

The integrated price comparison tool found in all our product tests on www.which.co.uk/reviews is updated daily to help you compare prices, along with test scores, features and availability for each product, all in one place.

For this month's test of washing machines, see p48. Go to p54 to discover what happened when we tested the latest laundry liquids from Ariel and Persil at 30°C, and to find out more about alternatives to using detergent when washing your clothes.



Best Buy stain removers 19 tested / 5 Best Buys reviewed at www.which.co.uk/stainremovers

If Christmas festivities have left you with unwelcome wine and gravy stains that seem impossible to shift, help is at hand. We have several Best Buy stain removers that cost less than £2

75% BIO-TEX STAIN REMOVING POWDER £1.43

75% DYLON STAIN REMOVER £1.99

75% STAIN DEVILS £1.58

72% SHOUT REMOVING SPRAY £1.38



Best Buy tumble dryers for less than £300 93 tested / 25 Best Buys reviewed at www.which.co.uk/tumbledryers

68% BOSCH WTV74103 CLASSIXX (VENTED) £237

Pros Dries quickly, dries evenly.

Cons Limited timed-drying options, door can't be reversed to open from the left.



67% JOHN LEWIS JLDV08 (VENTED) £299

Pros Lots of good features, effective sensor great choice for people with dexterity problems or visual impairments

Cons Bad creases, average for noise



66% BOSCH WTV74307 EXXCEL (VENTED) £299

Pros Swift and even drying, very easy to use.

Cons Clothes come out quite creased.



Best Buy irons for £40 or less

45 tested / 9 Best Buys reviewed at www.which.co.uk/irons

72% PHILIPS GC3332 EASYCARE £40

Pros Produces plenty of steam, giving quick results on medium and high temperature fabrics. The water-fill hole is larger than most, and this model was one of the best conventional irons in vertical mode.

Cons No continuous steam on cool setting, noisy, takes a long time to clean. The water tank is small, so it is better suited to those who iron little and often.



70% MORPHY RICHARDS 40708C COMFIGRIP PROFESSIONAL £22

Pros The 400ml water tank is fairly generous for a steam iron, it has a lengthy 3.5m cord and it produces plenty of steam on a continuous setting.

Cons Using continuous steam on a one-dot heat setting is inadvisable as it dribbles water. It is quite heavy and, you'll need to descale it regularly.



Which? online Which? Compare

Visit www.whichcompare.co.uk to find the lowest prices on hundreds of cleaning products, from washing machines and tumble dryers to dishwashers and vacuum cleaners, including many of our Best Buys.

Take the Dyson DC14 All Floors upright vac, for example: **you could save around £100 on its maximum price as we went to press by using Which? Compare.**



66% WHIRLPOOL AWZ3303 (VENTED) £168

Pros Dries evenly, door is reversible, quiet, good energy efficiency, leaves fewer creases than most models.

Cons Pretty basic features.



66% ZANUSSI-ELECTROLUX ZDE57140W (VENTED) £184

Pros Good drying times for synthetics and cottons.

Cons No time-remaining indicator, leaves clothes quite creased.



Best Buy washer-dryers for less than £300

58 tested / 10 Best Buys reviewed at www.which.co.uk/washerdryers

64% INDESIT WIDXL 126 / INDESIT WIDXL 126S (SILVER) £271/£298

Pros Excellent cleaning results on cotton wash, low water consumption, good drying results.

Cons The only real downside to this otherwise excellent machine is that it's a little noisy.



64% ZANUSSI ZWD12270W1 £293

Pros Excellent results for synthetics on the easy-care wash program, quick washing times, very low water usage on drying cycles, simple to program.

Cons Noisy, electricity use high on drying cycle, no delayed-start option.

