

## The Business Traveller

### 1 Shure's E5c Sound Isolating Earphones—\$499

These earphones actually block out more airplane noise than those earmuff-style, noise-cancelling headphones you see on the smug music lovers up in first class. The E5cs snuggle into your ear canal, sealing out background distractions. You'll gasp at the quality of your music or audio books.

### 2 Palm One's Treo 650—\$500 (prices vary)

Want a cellphone, but also need wireless e-mail and data? Palm One's Treo 650 adds a removable battery, a high-resolution colour screen, a better keyboard, faster e-mail and Web browsing, MP3 player and Bluetooth wireless networking. World travellers rejoice: the GSM version will be quad-band.

### 3 ThinkPad T42—\$1,700, plus

Travelling with sensitive information? IBM's ThinkPad T42 offers a built-in fingerprint scanner and data-encryption technology to keep your secrets safe, even if you lose the computer, plus shock absorbers on the hard disk in case you're clumsy. It's also thin and light (around five pounds) and gets up to seven hours in a battery charge.

### 4 3M's Laptop Privacy Filters—\$50-\$150

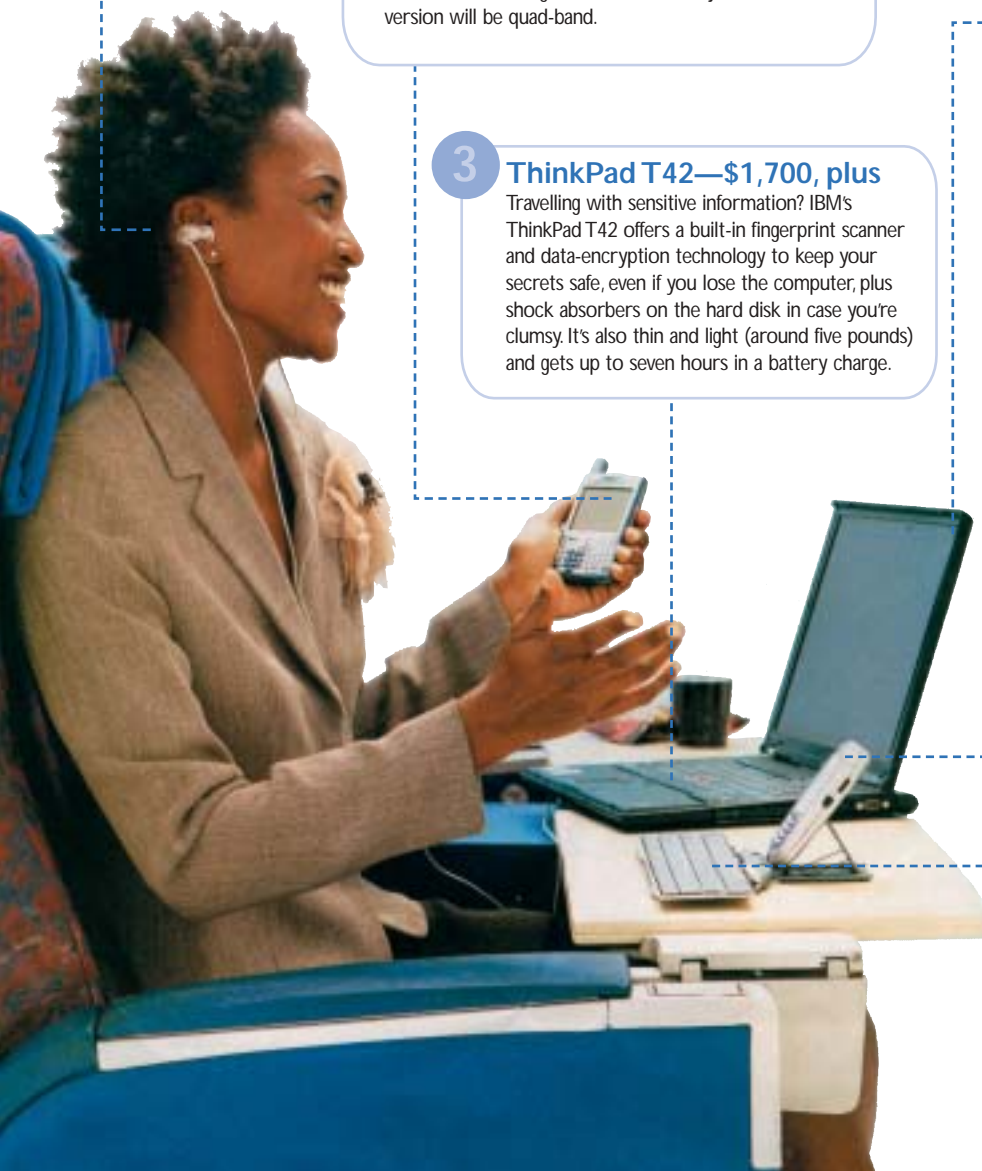
You're elbow to elbow on the plane, but you need privacy for typing a confidential report and reading your e-mail. 3M's Laptop Privacy Filters allow you to see your computer screen, but the guy in the next seat sees only a dark, blank screen. The filters fit regular and widescreen laptops (12 inches and up).

### 5 RIM's BlackBerry 7100T—\$199, plus

Want a mobile e-mail device, but also need to make and receive calls? RIM's new BlackBerry 7100T is the most phone-like BlackBerry yet. We give it razzberries for its limited Bluetooth support (headsets only) and the keyboard is non-QWERTY, requiring a learning curve. But BlackBerry fans can probably learn to love it, even if they're all thumbs.

### 6 Stowaway Bluetooth Wireless Keyboard—\$150

Small digital devices weren't designed for large human digits. That's why we love to fondle the Stowaway Bluetooth Wireless Keyboard, a pocket-sized, six-ounce unit that unfolds into full-sized for typing memos and e-mail messages into your Bluetooth-enabled PDA or smartphone, like the Treo 650.



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