



The North West Apple Mac Club

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Twentieth Anniversary Macintosh



It stood in an elevated glass case like a bronzed statue, look but do not touch.

This was my first glimpse of the Twentieth Anniversary Macintosh in the flesh, the location, Innovations, EPCOT, Walt Disney World, 1997. I gazed for about ten minutes then left with the lasting memory of what Apple was all about, innovation.

Of course the Concierge \$10,000 dollar price tag was somewhat out of my reach and even the take home yourself \$7, 500 price was beyond me (and most). At this time in my Mac collection had only just started, I had my current machine at that time, a 6400/200 and an old Mac Plus running system 6.0.

As of 2002 my collection had grown somewhat (www.mac-collection.co.uk) and because I am the UK, Twentieth Anniversary Mac's (TAM) are rare.

The odd one that has appeared on eBay in the UK has either been highly priced or not quite complete. Then in October the ultimate TAM appeared on eBay with a sensible reserve and complete, it also had the benefit of being upgraded to a G3/500 with a 10/100 card (now with DSL connection) and 128mb of ram.

This was a machine that could be used every day and I had to have it!

After round trip of 300 miles to collect, the TAM was mine and now sits proudly in my dining room, my wife thought it was so good looking that she has allowed me to keep it there.

What can I say about the machine except that it makes me smile every time I see it,

friends just stare and think it is a new computer and can't believe it is so old.

The sound from the Bose speakers is amazing, we now use it as our main CD player, I have plugged in some small Apple Design Speakers (black) to use everyday as the main speakers are very loud when using as a computer!

I have also acquired a black Apple keyboard and mouse to save wear and tear on the supplied keyboard and is easier to use as I am used to a mouse rather than a trackpad.

As the advertising said..
This is the best thing we have ever built.



What's Your Favourite Mac?

Have you got a story regarding your favourite Mac? or your least favourite !

Everyone has a affection (or hatred!) to a particular Mac they own or have owned. Let us know.

Mac OS 9 or OS X?

Is the new operating system what you have been waiting for or should Apple just developed OS9.

We all know that OS X can do some remarkable tasks but has Apple go to far too soon and forgotten to think of the people using OS 9 or below?



Mac OS X
Version 10.2

News

Rumour has it that the new iPod is due for release at the end of April, possibly a 30gb max capacity, USB 2 and a stand. For more info visit:

<http://www.macrumors.com/>



New iBooks are also due with the only change being a speed bump to 900mhz. No other changes are reported

<http://www.thinksecret.com/>

Web Links

<http://www.macworld.co.uk/>

<http://www.macuser.co.uk/>

<http://www.xicons.com/>

<http://www.zone6400.com/>

<http://www.spymac.com>

<http://www.theapplemuseum.com/>

<http://www.apple-history.com>

<http://www.redlightrunner.com/>

<http://www.info.apple.com/usen/legacy/>

<http://www.insanely-great.com/features/010806.html>

<http://www.applefritter.com/>

<http://ebay.co.uk/>

I love this link, although it is all in Japanese you can just marvel at the pictures!

<http://homepage2.nifty.com/56thWAREHOUSE/HAJIME.html>

If you have any great Mac links please email them to me and I will include them in the next issue.

