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problem:

Unsure about couture?

solution:

Sydney-based tailor Margaret Low of **Margaret's Place** has enlisted the expertise of designers Soochen and Soozhee for a mobile couture service with a difference. Forget the hassle of searching for the perfect style or size from a rack in yet another boutique—the team will come to you and custom-design everything to accommodate your personal taste. Whether you're after something to wear to work, casual clothing or an outfit for a special occasion, these established wardrobe consultants will create garments in exclusive luxury fabrics to give you the experience of a personal tailor and couturier in one. Soochen is your expert in classic cuts and flattering lines, while Soozhee's speciality is in transformable garments, such as dresses that can be worn a number of ways. Wardrobe consultancy starts at \$250 for two hours and clothing at \$600. Visit Soochen and Soozhee online at www.margaretsplace.com.au



problem:

You're an expert multi-tasker but technology can't keep up.

solution:

Yes it can. Samsung's range of Miniket six-in-one devices each contain a video, a still and web camera, an MP3 player, voice recorder and a portable storage function, all in a 150g palm-sized unit. Shared between the functions, the generous 1GB of internal memory caters for most needs, though the device also takes a standard memory stick for extra storage. A standard Miniket (VP-M110) retails at \$999 from selected retailers. Find out more at www.samsung.com.au

problem:

Your laptop looks like it's been through a war.

solution:

Buy yourself some hardware that's built like a tank. You won't need a laptop bag for **Panasonic's Toughbook**—with its magnesium alloy casing and shock-mounted hard disc, it's built to be knocked around. Featuring a moisture- and dust-resistant screen and keyboard and a swivel display pane which can be turned into a tablet PC, the Toughbook is wireless-enabled and built for durability. Perfect for the traveller or those who are clumsy with their coffee. Call Panasonic on 13 26 00 to order or go to www.panasonic.com.au, \$5,999.



problem:

You worry about being tracked in cyberspace

solution:

Spyware is non-viral software that tracks your movement on the web and sends information to its parent database. This invasion of privacy can also slow your computer functionality, and although free anti-spyware programs are available online, some are actually spyware programs in disguise. Developed to safely extract spyware, Computer Associates' eTrust PestPatrol has a user-friendly interface with straightforward instructions and updates on the latest spyware and will rid your PC of unwanted software within minutes. Available from Harvey Norman, Dick Smith or online at www.vet.com.au, \$49.95.



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