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### TITLE

iMac (Slot Loading): What's New and Different

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### TOPIC

This article lists the major new features of iMac (Slot Loading), as well as a brief description.

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### DISCUSSION

Here are the major new features of iMac:

- Slot loading CD- or DVD-ROM drive - Rather than using a tray to hold the CD, the iMac (Slot Loading) has a slot similar to an automotive CD player. Simply insert any 4.7 inch (120 millimeter) CD into the slot and iMac takes it from there.
- The iMac DV models have a slot loading DVD-ROM drive in place of the CD-ROM drive.
- VGA Mirroring - There is a VGA port on the iMac DV models that provides the capability to connect an external VGA style monitor to mirror the image on the iMac screen.
- FireWire - There are two 400 Mbps FireWire ports on the iMac DV models for use with high-speed FireWire devices such as video camcorders and hard drives. More information on FireWire and FireWire devices can be found at <http://www.apple.com/firewire/>.
- Firewire cable - To enable early adopters to get started making movies quickly, Apple is including as a special bonus, an Apple-designed FireWire camcorder (4-6 pin) cable in the box with iMac DV models. This is being provided for the first month, or while supplies last.
- Wireless networking ready - The iMac is ready to accept the an AirPort card. An antenna is built-in to the iMac enclosure.
- Better sound - The front speakers of iMac provide improved mid and high range sound, while a speaker port on the underside of iMac improves low end bass response.
- Dual Channel USB - Each USB port now has its own dedicated USB controller providing enhanced functionality such as USB booting and USB audio support.
- No System Fan - The iMac (Slot Loading) does not have an internal system fan. Instead, it relies on convection for cooling.

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