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MiTAC MiSTATION netbooks brings GPS to workers on the go

GPS sold as differentiating feature

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MiTAC the company that owns Mio and Navman has become the latest company to launch a netbook computer.

Following hot on the heels of other manufacturers launching netbooks at IFA in Berlin, the new model, called the MiStation, will sport a 8.9-inch screen and run the 1.6GHz Intel Atom processor.

The specs include the choice of a 20GB SSD or 60GB hard drive, Windows XP or Linux and the usual array of connectivity options including wireless (b and g) and Bluetooth 2.1.

However hoping to break away from every other netbook offering, like the new LG X110 also announced at IFA, the MiTAC MiSTATION will feature a GPS receiver on board.

Users will be able to use the already bundled and installed Mio GPS software to help them find their way around Europe by popping out a receiver tucked away at the front of the mini laptop.

Other tech specs include a 1.3-megapixel webcam, three USB 2.0 ports, an SD card slot, and VGA out.

The model will be hitting Europe at the end of November and prices will start from £282 for the 60GB Linux version.

The 20GB SSD model would cost around £400 a spokesperson for the company said.

