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SONY WEGA PLASMA – FOR THE ULTIMATE HOME CINEMA EXPERIENCE



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Sony's new WEGA plasma TV offers one of the easiest routes to home cinema heaven for anyone who wants the best in TV and movie watching, with the minimum of fuss. Unlike other plasma monitors, Sony's **KZ-42TS1** WEGA plasma is equipped with a built-in tuner and speakers so there are no extra boxes to accommodate or messy cables to hide.

As a member of the Sony WEGA family, striking design is guaranteed, and the KZ-42TS1 is finished in silver and supplied with a convenient tabletop stand. An optional stand and the availability of wall brackets add to the storage and display flexibility this TV offers.

Sony's 'Real Digital System' technology provides cinema-like high definition digital quality to give better, sharper and more natural pictures. By incorporating a new bi-pixel conversion circuit, which has been developed exclusively for Sony flat panel displays, interlace signals are converted to progressive images of higher definition and, in the case of film generated sources, a Cinema Drive function helps to reproduce scene movement more naturally. In addition, an anti-reflective coating on the glass panels reduces light reflection and maintains outstanding picture contrast quality.

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All Sony Plasma WEGA televisions feature connectivity with a range of other entertainment devices, such as DVD-Videos, VCRs, VAIO notebooks, Handycam camcorders, game consoles, tuners and other data sources to make the plasma television applications as flexible as possible.

A 32" version of this television (KZ-32TS1) is also available and both TVs are on sale now.

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