

This year again, we have gone for the DELL LATITUDE range, which are the hardiest of laptops from a very respected brand, and with it we have received 5 years of Next Business Day, On Site support and 5 years of Accidental cover for 3 incidents.

1) Entry level Laptop: DELL LATITUDE E3580

It's a Latitude so you get the hardiest and best models DELL has to offer, but right at the entry point, even though it can play with the big boys

- Its i3-7100U Processor is a 7th generation so it will remain current for at least 5 years, but saves on price
- It has 4Gb of DDR4-2133 Memory, upgradeable to 8Gb should you want your machine to perform a little snappier with more apps open
- A High Definition (HD) 15.6" screen running at a resolution of 1366x768 is good enough for most graphical application
- And this screen is powered by the new energy efficient HD620 onboard graphics processor
- A 500 Gb SATA Hard disk running at 7200rpm allows for good solid performance and fast disk access is pretty much standard
- It's a lot smaller than previous generations at 380mm x 260mm x 23.25mm and weighs only 2kg
- It has a 4 cell 40W/hr battery to see you through the day under normal working conditions

Pricing is R9 582,76+ Vat of R1 341,59 and a Imaging Feed of R 200,00 for a Total of R11 124,34
With includes:

- the most current Windows operating system
- 5 years Next Business day Support
- 5 years Accidental cover for those "Coffee on Keyboard" moments.

2) Let's ramp it up a notch with this one: The DELL LATITUDE E5580

- With a brand spanking new i5-7200U 7th generation processor running with a 3Mb cache at 2,4Ghz, which is good for more than 5 years
- It has the newer 4GB of DDR4 -2400 Memory, upgradeable to 8 GB should you want your machine to perform even snappier with more apps open, but rather look at option 3) if you want to upgrade
- A High Definition (HD) 15.6" screen running at a resolution of 1366x768 is good enough for most graphical application, but it's NOT FHD and will not be able to use a FHD projector, which is not a requirement for most students
- And this screen is powered by a new on-board UMD Intel HD 620 graphics processor, very new this one
- Its battery is bigger, with a 6 cell 66W/hr specification and to power the more powerful processor and graphics engine
- A 500 Gb SATA Hard disk running at 7200rpm allows for solid performance and fast disk access
- It's a lot smaller than previous generations at 380mm x 260mm x 23.25mm and weighs only 2Kg

Pricing is R 11 764,08 + Vat of R 1 646,97 and Imaging fee of R 200 for a Total of R 13 611,05
With includes:

- the most current Windows operating system
- 5 years Next Business day Support
- 5 years Accidental cover for those "Close laptop with pen inside" moments.

3) An Upgrade of number 2) let's look at the : DELL LATITUDE E5580 again

- With a higher spec'd i5-7300U 7th Generation processor running at 2,6Ghz good for more than 5 years and a step up in performance, power and less energy usage

- It has 8 GB of DDR4 - 2400 Memory, upgradeable to 16 GB you have more than enough of the Good Stuff at high speed too
- A FULL High Definition (FHD) 15.6" screen running at a resolution of 1920 x 1080, allowing FHD graphics good enough for most graphical application
- The up scaled screen is powered by Intel HD 620 integrated processor, good enough for all school applications and even some higher graphics and many games
- The trusted 500Gb running at 7200rpm SATA Harddisk is replaced by a 256Gb SSD, the force is good with this one
- Dimensions and battery are the same as Number 2

Pricing is R 14 693,62 + Vat of R 2 057,11 and Imaging fee of R 200 for a Total of R 16 950,73

With includes:

- The most current Windows operating system
- 5 years Next Business day onsite Support
- 5 years of Accidental cover for those "put laptop in same bag as cricket bat & ball" moments.

4) Can we do better? Oh yes we can, Enter the : DELL LATITUDE E7470

- With a i7-6600U 6th generation processor good for more than 5 years and a step up in performance, power and less energy usage and its i7 for those who need it.
- It has 8GB of DDR4-2-133 Memory, upgradeable to 16 GB you have more than enough of the Good Stuff at high speed too
- A FULL High Definition (FHD) 14" Screen running at a resolution of 1920 x 1080, allowing FHD graphics good enough for most graphical application, and keeping it smaller & lighter
- The up scaled screen is powered by Intel HD 520 integrated processor, good enough for all school applications and even some higher graphics and many games
- And we add a SSD (Solid State Drive), a blistering speed for just about anything with a capacity of 256Gb
- Battery is a 4 cell 55W/hr saves a bit of money, keeps the machine lighter, but with high graphics apps, you will need to have it plugged in.
- And now we see the most amazing part. Its size is very small at 337mm x 231mm x 21mm and weighs only 1.6Kg

Pricing is WAY DOWN from last year at R 19 269,11 + Vat of R 2 697,67and Imaging fee of R 200 for a Total of R 22 166,78

With includes:

- The most current Windows operating system
- 5 years Next Business day Support
- 5 years of Accidental cover for those "knocked it while hover boarding down the passage" moments.

5) So what about a machine with a dedicated graphics card? We have it in the DELL LATITUDE E5580 with a dedicated nVidia 2 GB Graphics card

- It's the E5580 chassis with a i7-7600U 7th generation processor good for more than 5 years and a step up in performance, power and less energy usage and its i7 for those who need it.
- It has 16 GB of HIGHER SPEED DDR4-2400 Memory, need I say more?
- A FULL High Definition (FHD) 15.6" screen running at a resolution of 1920 x 1080, allowing FHD graphics good enough for all graphical application
- The drive is the a blistering 256Gb SSD for storage
- Then we add the dedicated graphics card, a nVidia 930MX with 2 Gb of DDR Memory and you have one graphics powerhouse

- Battery is the very nice 4 cell 62W/hr, but if you have that nVidia card running, you will need to keep it plugged into the wall.
- Size is he now familiar at as the previous E5580, which is great, considering the extra cooling and space for that Graphics monster.

The Great part is the price which has come way down from last years' model. Pricing is R17 010,53 + Vat of R 2 381,47 and Imaging fee of R 200 for a Total of R 19 592,00

With includes:

- the Windows operating system
- 5 years Next Business day Support
- 5 years of Accidental cover for those Coffee on Keyboard moments.

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