



e-pens Mobile Notes

PRICE £77 (\$89 inc VAT)
INTERNET www.e-pens.com

SUPPLIER www.amazon.co.uk
OVERALL ★★★★★

This package of pen and software is a useful way of adding digitiser capabilities to a tablet PC: the base unit connects to your PC via USB and receives information from the battery-powered pen. With drivers installed Windows will detect that it's working in tablet mode, allowing access to pen flicks and handwriting software. It also works as a note-capture device. When away from your PC, the base unit works off an internal battery and captures your pen strokes to its 50-page memory for later transfer to PC. The pen lacks different sensitivity levels, making it a poor substitute for a graphics tablet. And, although the Note Manager software includes a handwriting-to-text engine, it isn't very accurate. Nevertheless, the ability to archive handwritten pages for posterity is useful. **DAVE STEVENSON**