

Musical Style

Samsung is also launching another music phone, the F330, a style-orientated slider.

Look & Feel

Three words come to mind when first trying the F330 - shiny, slim and smooth. It's an attractive phone with a reflective mirror finish.

Being reasonably slim (13.5 mm) helps make it stylish. Buttons are still a good size and the sliding action feels appealing due to being spring-loaded.

The internet key was a bit close to the bottom of the navi pad, which meant accidentally bumping it a number of times.

Using touchpad-style controls across primary soft keys and navigation buttons meant learning the right sensitivity, something you get used to after a while.

Musical Notes

The music player layout is good, with album art being well featured. The navi pad is labeled with music controls - meaning direct access keys that are easy to find. Like a number of other new releases, a Music Recognition application

samples songs playing around you and looks up their details on the internet. It can also download podcasts.

A 3.5 mm jack for deluxe external headphones isn't moulded into the phone but we expect a plug to be provided as part of a hands-free cord.

As with most music phones these days, an FM radio rounds off the package.

Other

The F330 is a 3.5g product, ready for fast music downloads, one day - when data tariffs and track costs become affordable.

A 2 Megapixel camera and full length recording camcorder are also integrated.

Impression

Samsung's F330 is a stylish music phone. They say that it offers a slick and slim way for trendy users to experience complete music and phone functionality on their mobile.

Most people still want an attractive phone first. In the case of the F330, we have a stylish mobile that also does music - but isn't compromised by being too geeky.

