

## Powerful, Fashionable and Versatile: New VAIO FJ-Series Makes Personal Computer Part of Everyday Life

Hong Kong, September 29, 2005- Sony Corporation of Hong Kong Limited today added the new FJ-series to its best-selling VAIO Personal Computer line-up. The FJ-series includes two new models, the VGN-FJ58GP\* with unprecedented entertainment features for users, and the powerful VGN-FJ57GP\* with versatile multi-usage features, that enable business productivity anytime, anywhere. With their portability, minimal yet striking design and extraordinary visual communications capability, the new VAIO-FJ-series signals that the personal computer is poised to become a natural part of everyday life.

### As natural as part of everyday life

Both new models are powered by Intel® Centrino™ Mobile Technology comprising an Intel® Pentium® M Processor 740 (1.73GHz) \*1 with Intel® PRO/Wireless 2200BG Network Connection. At only 2.4kg, the FJ-series is ideal for those who value portability with the serious computing power that brings either extreme entertainment or power professional productivity with surprising convenience and style. From its lightweight and compact design to the extrawide 14.1-inch Clear Bright LCD screen (1280 x 800, StandardView), to its high quality sound and unique visual communication capabilities, the FJ-series provides the perfect functionality with an outstanding powerful performance.

The VGN-FJ58GP has a stunning 14.1-inch wide screen with sophisticated Clear Bright technology, which enables users to enjoy theatre-like quality movie entertainment and photo sharing no matter where they are. For business users, the expanded viewing horizon of the 14.1-inch LCD screen in the VGN-FJ57GP is an ideal instant projection screen, big and clear enough for use in presentations anywhere, anytime. The slender, lightweight profile of the FJ-series makes it one of the lightest 14-inch notebook PCs, so business users can easily carry it with them while traveling or just around the house.

The FJ-series comes with an AVout connector for direct TV connection, which truly expands its entertainment and productivity capabilities. Users can easily and instantly share photos, movies, reports or watch DVDs on a TV screen with family, friends or colleagues, without the need for other devices.

### Simple and Casual Design: Relish the sense of style and taste

With true Sony style, the FJ-series stakes out the common ground between form and function with a uniform simplicity of design that makes it look totally natural from every angle. The stylish and elegant tone design with snow white and black seamlessly blends with any interior in the house or office, while making

it the perfect professional accessory for fashion-conscious executives. Its smooth surface and gentle curves provide an additional touch to its stunning simplicity design. The slim body and slender dimensions do not take up much space and make the FJ-series easy to carry, while enhancing the fashionable feel.

The keyboard on the FJ-series is also well designed to bring ultimate comfort to users. The keyboard size on both the VGN-FJ58GP and VGN-FJ57GP is similar to standard desktop keyboards (19.05mm full pitch) making it as easy on the fingertips as it is on the eyes. The careful and well thought out design helps the FJs provide a beautiful bridge between form and function. As always, VAIO has considered every detail to make the FJ series as natural and comfortable as possible. The attention to detail shows in the palm rest area, with its gentle downward inclined curve designed for hand comfort and optimum keyboard control.

### **Visual Communication: Communication without constraint**

The versatile, multi-usage features of the FJ-series represent a revolution in personal productivity, empowering users to maintain the high productivity levels of the office in the comfortable surroundings of home or on-the-go. Adding to this unparalleled productivity is the visual communications capability, which delivers the ultimate in convenient communications without restraint.

The visual communications capability of the FJ-series is ideal for all communications needs, whether business or pleasure. Both the VGN-FJ58GP and VGN-FJ57GP feature a built-in camera and microphone (built-in next to the camera) that eliminate the need for extra devices and additional installation time, making visual communication possible from the moment users power on. These uncommon features enable users of the VGN-FJ58GP to communicate at ease with friends and family in the home or around the world, while professionals with the VGN-FJ57GP can ensure they never miss a meeting by checking in via its videoconferencing capability with colleagues anytime, anywhere.

The excellent audio quality of the FJ-series helps users hear and speak more clearly. There is no need to speak extra loudly, providing a comfortable environment for users to talk and express ideas without constraints.

Adding to its entertainment and communications capabilities, the FJ-series features enhanced sound quality with built-in box speakers embedded within its ultra-slim design. Both models come with SonicStage Mastering Studio Audio Filter application software, which delivers surprisingly powerful audio capability when used in conjunction with their powerful box speakers. The FJ-series' well-balanced, clear audio provides real studio sound, enhancing the listening and communications experience without the need for additional plugin stereo speakers.

With unprecedented visual communications and audio features, a lightweight and slim profile, and a trendy

new style and colour, the FJ-series brings unprecedented computing and entertainment power to personal computer users, making it an indispensable tech accessory for fashion and performance conscious users.

The VGN-FJ58GP will be available from mid November at suggested retail price of HK\$12,980 on Sony Style Web site ([www.sonystyle.com.hk](http://www.sonystyle.com.hk)), Sony 24-hour tele-sales hotline at 2345-2966, Sony Style Hong Kong and Sony Shops and authorized dealers. Customers of the VGN-FJ58GP will receive a F-series tailor-made carrying case.

The VGN-FJ57GP will also be available from mid November at suggested price of HK\$10,980. Customers who register as *My Sony* (Corporate) members at [www.sony.com.hk](http://www.sony.com.hk) will be able to purchase the VGN-FJ57GP on Sony Style web site ([www.sonystyle.com.hk/business](http://www.sonystyle.com.hk/business)), Sony Style Hong Kong and Sony Shops, Sony 24-hour tele-sales hotline at (852)2790-6618. In addition, it is also available at authorized dealers of business products.

### no more bounds

VAIO has focused on offering new ways of enjoying the PC ever since its introduction. With its successful establishment as a brand in the fields of computing and entertainment, VAIO has entered a new phase of dynamic transformation. By removing the boundaries between traditional AV and IT products and revealing new possibilities while simplifying the way technology is used, VAIO provides the full benefits of true AV/IT convergence: further enjoyment of entertainment content anywhere, anytime.

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Key specifications of the VGN-FJ58GP and VGN-FJ57GP are as below:

Models	VGN-FJ58GP	VGN-FJ57GP
Platform	Intel® Centrino™ Mobile Technology • Intel® Pentium® M Processor 740 (1.73 GHz) *1 • Intel® PRO/Wireless 2200BG Network Connection • Intel® 915GM Express Chipset	
Operating System	Microsoft® Windows® XP Professional with Service Pack 2 (English version) Multilingual User Interface (pre-installed Traditional Chinese)	
Processor System Bus	533MHz	
Memory Bus	400MHz	
Cache Memory	L1 Cache: 64KB L2 Cache: 2MB (on CPU)	
Main Memory	512MB DDR2 SDRAM (upgradeable up to 2GB) *2 2 SO-DIMM slots (The pre-installed memory module uses one)	
Hard Disk	60GB (C: 20GB, D: 40GB*3) Serial ATA, 5400rpm	
Optical Drive	<b>DVD±RW Drive (supporting DVD+R Double Layer disc) *4</b> Maximum reading speed: DVD-ROM, DVD+R, DVD-R, DVD+RW, DVD-RW: 8x DVD+R DL (Double Layer): 6x CD-R, CD-RW, CD-ROM: 24x Maximum writing speed: DVD+R, DVD-R, DVD+RW: 8x DVD-RW: 6x DVD+R DL (Double Layer): 4x CD-R, CD-RW: 24x	<b>CD-RW/DVD-ROM Drive*4</b> Maximum reading speed: DVD+R DL (Double Layer): 4x DVD+RW, DVD-RW: 6x DVD+R, DVD-R, DVD-ROM: 8x CD-R, CD-RW, CD-ROM: 25x Maximum writing speed: CD-R, CD-RW: 24x
Graphics Accelerator	Intel® Graphics Media Accelerator 900	
Video Memory	Maximum 128MB (shared with main memory)	
Display	14.1" Wide (WXGA: 1280 x 800) TFT colour display (Clear Bright LCD: 60Hz, Standard View)	
Interfaces	USB 2.0 x *5 • i.LINK (IEEE 1394) S400 (4pin) • AV Out connector (NTSC/PAL compatible) • Network (RJ-45) connector (100BASE-TX/10BASE-T) • Headphone jack (stereo mini) • Microphone jack (stereo mini) • Monitor connector (VGA D-SUB 15 pin) • Modular (RJ-11) connector • Port Replicator connector • Memory Stick Slot*6 (Standard/Duo Size compatible, MagicGate compatible, Memory Stick PRO compatible, High-speed data transfer compatible)	

Wireless LAN	Integrated Wireless LAN IEEE 802.11b/802.11g*7 • Intel® PRO/Wireless 2200BG Network Connection • Data rate: maximum 11Mbps (802.11b)/54 Mbps (802.11g)*8 • Frequency: 2.4GHz
Modem	V.92 and V.90 Compliant
PC Card Slots	Type I/II x 1, CardBus Support
Camera / Video Capture	310,000 pixels effective Image Device: OmniVision 1/5" , VGA CMOS Lens: 2 elements in 2 groups, F2.8 (Fixed) Focus distance: f=3.0mm *with built-in internal microphone (monaural mini)
Audio	Intel® High Definition Audio compatible • 3D audio (Direct Sound 3D support) • Built-in stereo speakers
Keyboard/Input Device	ca 19mm Key pitch / 2mm Key stroke • 86 Keys • Intelligent Touchpad
Battery	VGP-BPS2A*9 Lithium-ion battery: up to 4 hours of use*10
Dimensions (WxHxD)	340 × 21-33 × 253.5mm
Weight	2.4kg (including the supplied battery)
Included Software	Adobe Reader 7 • Adobe Photoshop Elements 3.0 (Installer) • Adobe Premiere Standard • CameraVJ Screen Saver • DVgate Plus 2.1 • Norton Internet Security 2005 • Roxio DigitalMedia SE 7 • PictureGear Studio 2.0 • SonicStage .3.2 • SonicStage Mastering Studio 1.4 • SonicStage Mastering Studio Audio Filter 1.4 VAIO Control Center 1.1 • VAIO Edit Components 5.0 • VAIO Media 4.1 • VAIO Original Screen Saver • VAIO Recovery Utility 2.5 • VAIO Update 2.1 • VAIO Zone 1.4 • WinDVD 5 for VAIO • Click to DVD 2.4 # Available in VGN-FJ58GP only
Supplied Accessories	AC adapter (VGP-AC19V10) • Lithium-ion battery (VGP-BPS2A)
Local warranty	One year

Features and specifications are subject to change without notice.

\*1 CPU speed will be reduced under certain operating conditions.

\*2 By removing the pre-installed 512MB memory module and adding two 1GB memory modules.

\*3 Includes necessary data for recovery (setting back to initial shipment settings) in the hard disk drive consuming approximately 5GB in size.

\*4 This product is designed to playback discs that conform to the Compact Disc Digital Audio standard specifications (CD Standard). A DualDisc is a two sided disc product which mates DVD recorded material on one side with digital audio material on the other side. Please be aware that the audio side (not DVD side) of a DualDisc may not play on this product because it does not conform to the CD Standard.

\*5 High-speed/Full-speed/Low speed compatible.

\*6 Compatibility confirmed with Sony branded "Memory Stick" media only.

\*7 Deploying IEEE 802.11b and IEEE 802.11g products on the same wireless network may reduce the communication speed due to radio interference. Taking this into consideration, the IEEE 802.11g products are designed to reduce the communication speed to ensure communication with IEEE 802.11b products. When the communication speed is not as fast as expected, changing the wireless channel on the access point may increase the communication speed.

\*8 The communication speed varies depending on the distance between communication devices, existence of obstacles between such devices, the device configuration, the radio conditions, and the software in use. In addition, communication may be cut off depending on the radio conditions.

\*9 This product may only function with a genuine Sony battery designed for this model.

\*10 Estimated battery life (under JEITA Battery Run Time Measurement Method (ver.1.0) When the power-saving mode is on. Actual battery life may vary with different operating conditions and settings. Optional battery VGP-BPL2 offers up to 6.5 hours of use.

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