

The Widest-Screen Ultrabook

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Toshiba launches what perhaps is the ultrabook with the most interesting form factor-- the Satellite U840W (U845W in the US), with an extra wide and narrow 14.4-inch display.



It is the first ultrabook to feature a 21:9 aspect ratio display with 1792x768 resolution, ideal for movie watching (despite the lack of Blu-ray drive). No small wonder the W in the name stands for Wide!

The laptop carries an Ivy Bridge processor and either SSD (256GB) or SSD/HDD hybrid (500GB) storage, together with Ethernet, HDMI and x3 USB ports. The body is in aluminium, with soft-touch accents, chrome-ringed feet and a backlit keyboard.

Audio comes through Harman Kardon speakers.

Toshiba also has an update on one of the first ultrabooks, the Protege Z835-- the Z935, apparently "still the lightest 13.3-inch ultrabook" at 1.13kg. Upgrades include Ivy Bridge processors, a faster SSD, higher resolution webcam and more rigid lid.

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