

Connected Smarts Reach the... Candle

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Is anything safe from the power of app-powered smarts? Probably not, as revealed with the LuDela-- a real candle with a real flame inside a sensor-packed shell.

The actual candle is a refillable wax insert (promises up to 30 hours of flames) users place inside a battery-powered exterior shell. The shell connects to smartphones and an obligatory companion app via Bluetooth, and allows one to remotely light and extinguish the candle, all without need to bother with matches and the like.

App functionality also includes candle timers and even the possibility of hooking multiple candles in a single network. Meanwhile the shell carries proximity sensors able to detect accidents and extinguish the flame automatically.

Of course all sounds very ridiculous, but on the other hand it is interesting to see the smart light bulb concept extended to humanity's earlier forms of lighting. Curious customers will be able to get the LuDela once it starts shipping from early 2017.

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