

Re: LCD monitor or LCD TV is better for using with PC

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The resolution means nothing. If the TV has PC RGB input it will display at it's best resolution. If not and you are displaying through the TV logic it will be much degraded. If you want both look for a TV with PC RGB input. I have a Viewsonic 22 inch that has both and works great as a second monitor.

"Man T" <alanpltse_NOSPAM@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:umY%23xV8QJHA.5092@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Man T wrote:

Anyone has any idea which is better, LCD monitor or LCD TV?

While some LCD TVs accept 1920x1080 input, the screen itself might be 1366x768 native resolution. It is hard to get a straight answer about them. Download the user manual for the LCD TV, and see what PC resolutions it supports. If it stops at 1360x768 on the "PC input", that suggests to me the panel isn't truly 1920x1080. If it really had 1920x1080 pixels on the screen, they'd offer it on the PC input.

A computer monitor, on the other hand, can support higher resolution. An Apple 30" Cinema monitor, has a 2560x1600 resolution, and needs a dual-link DVI connector on the video card, to run it properly. Dell also carries monitors like that one.

<http://accessories.dell.com/sna/products/Monitors/productdetail.aspx?c=ca&l=en&cs=cadhs1&sku=22>

(This one has more input options)

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When spending that kind of money, I'd want a demonstration. Perhaps you can go to a local Best Buy, and ask them to hook a computer up to a LCD TV for you :-> You may find, that the best usable PC resolution is only 1280x1024.

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The LCD TV is meant for viewing video, and not text. And a lot of display devices look good, when only driven with a video signal. Displaying text is a much tougher test of display qualities. And that is why, when you go to the Best Buy, they always put videos on the computer monitors, to make it harder to see the imperfections :-)

So if you plan to edit a lot of text documents, while the LCD TV is connected to the computer, then you may not be pleased with the results. If you get a demo, that makes it easier to see what to expect.

Ah yes, some of the 24 inch LCD monitor are able to display 1900x1200 so it seems better than the LCD monitor (even the LCD TV able to display true full HD, ie 1900x1080)