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It's your Music - Experience it the way you want to.
Windows Media™ Player for Windows® XP delivers the most complete digital music experience for consumers. MP3 users- you're going to love the way you can customize and enjoy your music! You can play and manage all your existing MP3s, but Windows XP takes it to a whole new level - enabling you to add your own lyrics, album art, create a music CD or even transfer your MP3s to your portable music device. New skins and visualizations make the playback even more fun. If you choose, you can even copy your music to your PC in the MP3 format with the MP3 Creation Pack for Windows XP.

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Don't Just Play It, Experience It!

Best Playback Experience for your WMAs and now your MP3s.
Add Album Art, customized Lyrics, and pick your favorite visualization or cool new skin for a great playback experience. Even enhance the sound with the built-in SRS WOW audio enhancement technology. With reference-quality playback, your music never sounded so good.



The Freedom to Go Mobile with your Music

Best Mobile Experience for your WMAs and now your MP3s.
Whether you're at the beach, in the car, or on the go, you can take your MP3s, WMAs, or a combination of both with you! Windows XP makes it fast and simple to take your music- both MP3 and WMAs with you. Burn Audio CDs up to 11 times faster than previous versions¹. If you want even more storage on your device, store your music as Windows Media Audio and you can almost triple your device storage- just look for devices with the "Plays Windows Media" logo.



MP3 Creation Pack(s) for Windows XP

Copy CDs to your PC in MP3 format with third-party plug-ins.
Thanks to the new MP3 plug-in architecture in Windows Media Player for Windows XP, major vendors are offering their own MP3 Creation Packs for Windows XP. With your selected MP3 Creation Pack, you can compress your music into the MP3 format with Windows Media Player and get full support for all of Windows XP's new digital media features including automatic album art, media information in ID3v2 format and much more. Get an MP3 Creation Pack for Windows XP



See how our MP3 Experience Stacks up

Decide for Yourself Which Player Comes out on Top

Feature	Windows Media Player		Real Jukebox 2 Basic	MusicMatch JukeBox 6.1 Basic	Apple iTunes for OSX
	XP	7.x			
Pick your own MP3 Creation Engine	Yes	No	No	No	No
Supports Copy to CD with WMA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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Album Art automatically added and displayed when copied to PC	Yes	WMA Only	No	No	No
Add Lyrics to MP3s	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Display Album Art and Lyrics while playing MP3s	Yes	No	Limited	Limited	No
Display Visualizations and Lyrics while playing MP3s	Yes	No	No	Limited	No
Add custom Album Art to any MP3 Folder	Yes	No	No	Limited	No
Intelligent Media Tracking	Yes	No	No	No	No
Edit Media Information using ID3v2 Tags	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
10-Band Graphics Equalizer	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
3D Surround Audio Effects	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
XML-based Skins Model for personalized playback of MP3s	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
High Performance Audio CD Burning	Yes	via Plug-in	No	No	Yes
1-click copy of MP3s and/or WMAs to supported Portable Music Players	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Number of Native Languages	26	26	12	8	10

¹ Comparing Windows Media Player 7.x's standard 2x burn speed to the latest generation of consumer 24x CD-R/RW drives running on Windows XP.

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