

Top-class digital reception with the TechniSat DIGIT 4 S digital satellite receiver

The new Free-to-Air receiver DIGIT 4 S is TechniSat's reply to the increasing demand for even smaller units. In spite of its extremely small dimensions of only 210 x 42 x 137 mm (WxHxD) the DIGIT 4 S provides a veritable host of features, and at an extremely attractive price too.

Product features:

- **SiehFern INFO (Comfort EPG)**
Programme preview for up to seven days
- **ISIPRO programme list update via satellite**
- **4000 programme memory slots**
- **Convenient on-screen menu in 14 languages**
- **TechniSat Autoinstall**
- **Integrated Super-TechniText decoder with 1000-page memory**
- **Two Scart sockets**
- **Optical and electrical digital output**
- **Dolby AC3**
- **Software update via satellite**
- **Large 4-digit LED display**
- **RS 232 interface for connecting a PC**
- **Audio outputs left/right**
- **Color: silver**

AutoInstall

Just switch on the small (210 x 42 x 137 - WxHxD in mm) and light (370 g) free-to-air



(FtA) set top box, which provides for a maximum of 4000 programmes, and note the difference in the menu right after the unit

is switched on. Just select the languages and country (operating and audio language, country setting) and you are already configuring the antenna. This is pre-programmed, and available instantly: A/A Astra 19.2° East, A/B Eutelsat 13° East. This means an end to the customer's guessing game. Then: the software is up to date 2.22.0.2, automatically updated on 1.9.2004 at 5 o'clock in the morning - a standard feature in TechniSat products. When searching for programmes - this is free-to-air, and all you know about encrypted programmes will not help you here - all

you need do is select all unencrypted programmes. The scan begins, the clock is running, the display of the set top box shows: Scan, and on the TV screen you can see: Initial installation › scan for programmes. 15 minutes later it is done, 588 TV and 479 radio programmes have been found and stored.

If, on the other hand, you select the ISIPRO scan mode during installation, you will be fully satisfied in less than one minute.

The main menu includes six sub-menus, most of which are still further segmented (numbers or additional subdirectories in brackets). Scan for programmes (4), Settings (7), Manage timer (3), Manage TV lists (Total list, TV list, Sorting, Functions), Manage radio lists (analogous to TV lists) and Operating language (15 languages). The graphics are easy to understand. In addition, really useful help messages are available for each topic. The parental control



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* Autoinstall is a software programme developed by TechniSat to facilitate automatic and easy unit installation.

function allows you to block a programme, or to begin viewing a programme via the timer. However, this measure provides only a limited degree of protection.

40 keys on the remote control unit mean that even elderly viewers should be able to cope. The ergonomic positioning of keys considerably simplifies operation.

»SiehFern INFO« - the true and absolutely fast jack-of-all-trades



Zappers will feel right at home with the "4 S", the TechniSat DIGIT 4 S, the top-class digital receiver. The EPG, which after switching on for the first time appears to know only about the current programme of the channel currently selected, while ignoring information on other programmes and channels, turns out to be a true and absolutely fast jack-of-all-trades once you have pressed through the list of programmes.

When you switch on the unit again the next day, all the gaps in the memory have been filled.

It is just as good at showing you a preview for the coming week, and selecting a specific genre from the total list allows you to search selectively. Video text is self-generated, and very fast, also providing a bottom line offering you various choices.

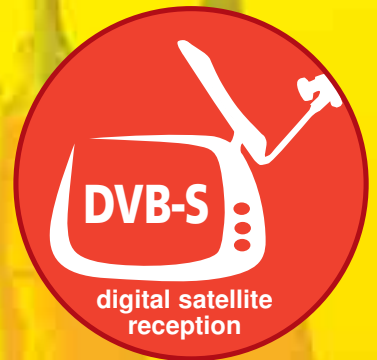
The mains connection is on the rear panel – 7,7 W while in operation. 3,2 W in stand-

by mode, with time display switched on, next to this is the antenna socket (F-connector), the S/PDIF audio digital output as well as the Scart sockets for VCR and TV. The digital audio output as well as its analogue counterpart (total of three cinch sockets) and the serial RS-232-C (service) interface are located on the left side. On the front panel, there is the display as well as the three controls for on/off as well the channel up/down key, for when you do not wish to use the remote control, are all easy to operate.

Conclusion:

TechniSat, known for its frequent appearance among the winners of reviews and tests, has produced an excellent sensitive (30 dBµV) receiver that can be recommended without reservation. Really useful help menus and a very good manual (90 pages, DIN A5) make operation extremely easy.

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