## **SDR Cube Transceiver**

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## **PCs Not Required**

Software-defined radios don't necessarily require PCs to function, and most of today's top-performing models incorporate SDRs internally, but are not identified as such. Two radios in this Guide do not require external PCs despite being marketed as SDRs. As SDRs evolve and lose their connotation with complex, experimental Gen 1 designs, this welcome trend will likely continue.

## Midnight Design Solutions SDR Cube: KIT or ASSEMBLED, \$\$, GOOD.

This 1-W, single-band (80, 40, 30, 20 or 17 meters), multimode HF transceiver is a flexible, selfcontained QSD/QSE radio that doesn't require a PC. At only 4 inches square, the SDR Cube pairs a Softrock SDR transceiver board (built-in or external) with a dedicated DSP controller and a full-featured "front panel," complete with knobs, switches an LCD frequency readout, and an 8-kHz-wide spectrum display. Add plenty of I/O connectors, experimenter-friendly firmware and an active support community and you've got a platform for SDR fun and innovation, no PC required. See the complete list of goodies and order factory-direct at www.sdr-cube.com, Prices: \$725 (assembled and tested); \$520 (assembled and tested, you supply your own Softrock SDR board); \$424 (full kit); \$293 you supply your own Softrock SDR board); \$40 (PCBs only)

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