

TV-TUNERS

Internal PCI TV-Tuner Cards

Compro VideoMate PVR/FM

Specs: Based on the Philips SAA7134HL Chip, MPEG-1 and 2 Capture Support, FM Radio, Full-Function Remote Control

Our Verdict: Exceptional clarity in TV image quality is the biggest plus of the Compro VideoMate PVT/FM. The accompanying Personal Video Recorder (PVR) software supports capturing video in the MPEG-1 and 2 formats, and also supports the Timeshift feature.

This TV-Tuner could tune into most of the weak signals in our cable TV channel

detection test. We found the FM tuner, too, quite powerful—it could tune into almost every station there was.

Another great thing is the full-featured, 32-button remote; an FM aerial comes bundled as well. The card is priced moderately for its features, and is therefore a must-buy.

Runner-Up: Mercury TV-Tuner Card

