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# Ingram Micro receives updated Seagate FreeAgent drives

Ingram Micro South Africa has announced the local availability of the updated range of FreeAgent external hard disks from Seagate, substantially upping the ante in personal external storage and extending the simplicity with which users can back-up, share and protect their ever-growing library of digital content.

Starting with the ultra-portable flagship model, namely the FreeAgent Go, Tyrone Gruner, Seagate product manager at Ingram Micro South Africa says Seagate has pulled out all the stops to provide mobile users with the best high-capacity external disk money can buy.

"The 500GB capacity Seagate has managed to cram into this 2.5-inch form factor hard disk is truly impressive," Gruner says.

"If however, we add this tiny drive's advanced shock and vibration protection features into the mix, it becomes an extremely desirable accessory for users that spend a great deal of their time on the road."

Gruner says that the FreeAgent Go is also the industry's first external hard drive to offer a docking option.

"The availability of a docking station gives users an extremely practical and hassle-free way of moving data between their desk and the road. I can see users selecting the FreeAgent Go on this feature alone," he says.

The FreeAgent Go is available in a variety of popular colours, including silver, black, red, and blue and ships with a flexible, thin USB 2.0 travel cable.

"It really is a must have for all road warriors," he says. Moving on to larger capacity drives, the FreeAgent range also features two 3.5-inch desktop models that are functionally attractive, aesthetically pleasing and kind on the pocket.

The first of these, the aptly named FreeAgent Desktop is finished off in an attractive brushed aluminum casing and supports a USB 2.0 interface.

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One step up the ladder, the FreeAgent Xtreme is finished off in an attractive black, brushed aluminum and gives users the flexibility to choose between an eSATA, USB 2.0 and FireWire 400 interface, depending on their environment.

"And both are available in capacities as high as 1.5TB," Gruner adds.

"With the wealth of digital content floating around the home and office today, these drives are going to be must-haves for all scales of users," he says.

Another interesting change to the FreeAgent range is the fact that the FreeAgent Go and Desk models have become available in varietals tailored for the Mac user community.

"The FreeAgent range's superior capacity, performance and clean looks make them perfect for both the home and the office. We're convinced they will be extremely well received in the market," he concludes.

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