

a fairly usual rubber keyboard, each key having multiple functions. It comes almost ready to run — add a cassette recorder and a TV set or monitor and it's all on. The other standard interfaces are an expansion bus, and an expansion connector for input and output. A RAM pack may be added, and a printer interface is available to allow the use of a parallel printer. But a printer will cost far more than the unit itself!

The VZ200 has two graphics modes — 63 x 32 in eight colours, or 128 x 32 with just four colours. The video display requires 2K of the inbuilt RAM, leaving 6K for programs. There is a sound effects or music channel, on-screen editing and inverse video.

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Dick Smith VZ200

The VZ200 is a colour computer with many standard features and a few novelties. The price has fallen markedly since this time last year, which may be a good or bad sign depending on how you read it. It has