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You'll want a 280 or 360 AIO ideally.

The Arctic Liquid Freezer II line is a good choice. It's \$110 for the 280 and \$140 for the 360. The performance difference between the two isn't huge so the 280 would be good depending on case comparability.



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Since you seem to be at least a bit budget conscious, why are you going with a 12900k instead of a more reasonable 12700k? Just wondering what the use case is.

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Thanks for the suggestion! I Won the 12900k in a raffle

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Are you overclocking?

The logic here isn't quite sound, I'm not sure why you would want a budget anything with a 12900k which is a budgetless CPU.

You should be shopping top end coolers like NHD15 or 280/360mm AIOs. Getting the largest cooler you can fit in your case would be ideal if you intend on overclocking.

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Best budget options are usually air coolers.

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Thermalright Peerless Assassin PA120 for \$41 is hard to beat.

Then you have the well known coolers like NH-D15 and Dark Rock Pro 4 if you want the brand power and higher thermal capacity.

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