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Laptop screen for outdoor use on sunny days

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I use my personal laptop predominantly outdoors in the sun. My experience with previous laptop screens have been from "can't see anything" to almost acceptable(400 nits matt screen on HP elite x360). And therefore, the laptop screen has been often the limiting factor for productivity, not processor or RAM. (I am an average user, who needs browser, excel and word most of the time) Since I need to buy a new laptop, I am trying to figure out what kind of screen is best for this kind of use. Below are the criteria I found so far, I would appreciate any inputs based on your experience.

1. Matt or non-reflective screen. This, in my experience, makes a huge difference.
2. brightness, approximately above 500-600 nits.
3. not having screen privacy features like HP Sureview, since they reduce the screen brightness and not necessary for simple private use. I've got nothing to hide :D

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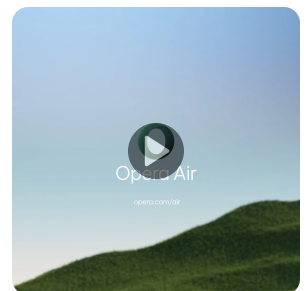
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I can sit out in the sun on a fairly bright day and work on the laptop as long as I'm facing the sun/not getting too much light directly on the screen YMMV.

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I ended up buying Lenovo ThinkPad X13 Yoga with 400nits and anti-glare coating. I am satisfied with its performance in the sun. almost no glare

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I requested my work replacement laptop and it's 600 knits. Super bright. Soooo nice for taking to the park on a large usb c battery bank and also anti glare.

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What's your budget ?

First set that and then look for the type of laptop you want. Do you want something for productivity or something for gaming? If its for productivity there are laptops out there which has quite decent brightness.

Andrew marc david recently reviewed an Asus laptop meant for productivity which looked quite good for it's price of under a grand.

Do check his latest video.

This laptop :- <https://youtu.be/Oje-z5ygl2s>

It has 550nits and an old display with 120hz display for under a grand.

This has soldered ram, so I suggest getting the 16gb version.

Another laptop I suggest :- <https://youtu.be/8RQh35JkhaU>

A bit expensive at 1400 and has 550 nits in HDR content

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