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Hopeful_Plastic_5321



My XM6 Comparison to XM5

I was asked in another post if I could post a comparison of my WH-1000XM5 headphones to the new XM6s. Here are my impressions:

Isolation & Noise Cancelling:

I brought both headphones on the very noisy Bakerloo line on the London Underground. The XM6s did have better noise cancelling especially with "rumbling" sounds. It is not a massive difference but an improvement. One area where I noticed more of an improvement (for me anyway) was that the XM6s had better isolation without noise cancelling.

Sound Quality:

There is definitely an improvement with the XM6s. You can hear a lot more detail (especially with vocals) and the bass is definitely more powerful. XM6s sound great with any music I listen to. For those who are looking for more information, you can find it here.

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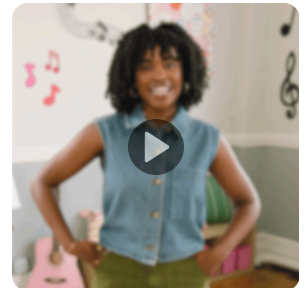


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hi i was wondering if i should get the xm5 or xm6. In my country the xm5's are equivalent to ~245USD and the xm6's are ~394 USD. I dont know if it is worth the upgrade.

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I trialed the Bose for 90 days, and also have XM5 and tried the XM6.

The differences are so marginal, however I'd say XM6 is the best out of all 3. I travel a lot (planes), I found both Bose QC U and XM5 were very similar in ANC. Also tested them in shopping malls, public transport, and it was much and much the same. The only reason I returned the Bose was clamp force was too strong, giving me headaches and also, the Sony app and features, controls on the XM5 were a lot better.

**smithy-** • 2mo ago

That is some very helpful information. Thank you.

**anthonyjacksonbhc** • 1mo ago

How do you trial for 90 days and return?

**twotreesandahouse** • 1mo ago

Look on the Bose website, maybe not be offered in every country.

Bose offers a 90-day risk-free trial on products purchased directly from their website. If you're not satisfied within that period, you can return it for a full refund, and Bose will even cover the return shipping. This trial period is for products purchased directly from Bose and does not apply to products purchased at Bose stores or from authorized resellers.

**steven123421** • 24d ago

[u/twotreesandahouse](#) When you say ANC, does this also include noise cancellation when you are not playing any music? Let's say I want to just study, but there's music outside, and I want to block out noise, but I don't want to play any music myself. Would the XM6 be the best one to actively help make me feel quiet?

**twotreesandahouse** • 23d ago

Well they're not really designed to use with nothing playing, you'll get white noise, so better getting ear plugs lol.

However Bose does have a lot more white noise than the Sony.



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playing, but sometimes I'd have to play something out of the headphones, or watch a quick clip of something, or play a voice note, in which case I wouldn't want to have earplugs in and have to take them in and out. In which case you're saying the best thing for this would be a headphone that has white noise automatically playing, and that's Bose?



twotreesandahouse • 23d ago

I would go with the Xm6, that white noise was quite noticeable om thr bose for me to the point it was annoying.

However comfort is the most important, if you have the time and money purchase both or get one then return and get the other. Bose offer 90 days risk free returns and Sony does 30 days may differ from region to region.



twotreesandahouse • 23d ago

Also multipoint (switching between devices) i found Sony works alot better if that's important to you.



Hopeful_Plastic_5321 OP • 2mo ago

I've not used the Bose QC Ultras and so I cannot comment I'm afraid.



Awkward_Sherbet3940 • 2mo ago

No. XM6 ANC is better.



smithy- • 2mo ago

Thank you.



BurgerKING_plane • 2mo ago

Can I know about the hinge

As a owner of xm5

Does xm6 escape the doggo



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far too early to say if the build quality is better or not. But the fact the xm6's have metal hinges is probably better than plastic.



Hopeful_Plastic_5321 OP • 2mo ago

To be honest, I've never suffered from the hinges issue with my XM5s but the ones on the XM6s seem more sturdy.



w32stuxnet • 2mo ago

I'm out of the loop, what does a dog have to do with the broken hinges?



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EnigmaticEmissary • 2mo ago

Did you notice if the xm6's were better at blocking out voices?



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I didn't really notice a difference to be honest.



jamyjet • 2mo ago

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I think it depends on the person. Personally, I never had any problems wearing the XM5s for long periods.

**Aromatic_Frame_3700** • 2mo ago

Sony has a very poor build quality. They often break down after a short time.

**Beef-McWhatnow** • 2mo ago

How is the microphone performance compared to the XM5, specifically in windy conditions and in office or cafe environments?

**iom2222** • 2mo ago[Top 1% Commenter](#)

For phone calls??? How is it?? For phone call the xm5 was one of the best..... until it broke!

**Hopeful_Plastic_5321** [OP](#) • 2mo ago

I've made some calls since the XM6s arrived and I've asked the people I've spoken to about the call quality and they have all said my voice has been very clear.

**iom2222** • 2mo ago[Top 1% Commenter](#)

Does it really feel more robust ?? It's always about the hinges

**BarberSuspicious7165** • 12d ago

I'm thinking of buying a pair. Should I save \$150 get the xm5 or is the xm5 worth the price increase of \$450?



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XM6 are actually less comfortable than XM5 to me



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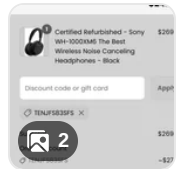
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Really enjoying the XM6

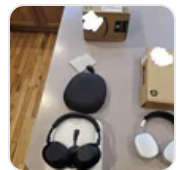


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