



## **APACER HANDY STENO AH421 4GB**

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This USB key comes with a simple design that's specifically tailored for notebook users. Having a USB key poking out the side isn't something you really consider an annoyance

until you catch something on it and nearly snap it right off. Apacer has overcome this by positioning the USB connection perpendicularly to the rest of the drive, allowing it to sit along the flat surface. You can swivel the end of the key 180°, so it can be put in the most convenient position possible. There's also a small cloth tab on the outside of the drive to

make it easier to remove. However, it may obscure the USB slot above or below it, depending on how your ports are laid out. It performed quite well in testing, recording an average read speed of 24.7MB/s, although its write speed of 6.8MB/s could have been a bit better. While the price premium over standard keys will be easily justified by people who have damaged keys before, for others, the value may be a bit harder to see.

- Nick Mailath

PC User says: Worth the premium for those who can actually use it.