

Pirate3D Opens Preorders of the Buccaneer 3D Printer on November 1

Pirate3D is opening preorders of the Buccaneer 3D printer on November 1, 2013 on their website pirate3d.com. Preorder units, priced at US\$497, will be shipped in April 2014.

From April onwards the Buccaneer's retail price will be US\$697.

“This is the last chance to get your hands on the Buccaneer for US\$497 before it hits the shelves. Our manufacturing capacity is limited, and we encourage people to subscribe to the waiting list on pirate3d.com to get their units faster,” said Chief Executive Pirate (a.k.a. CEO) Roger Chang.

“We are also offering education pricing with progressive discounts for large order volumes,” added Chang.

The company launched a crowdfunding campaign for the Buccaneer on Kickstarter in late May. Pirate3D's campaign closed on June 29 amassing US \$1.4 million in pledges from 3,520 backers. This makes the Buccaneer the most successful fused filament fabrication (FFF) 3D printer on the site.

“We were amazed by the enthusiastic support when we debuted the Buccaneer on Kickstarter. Our goal of US\$100,000 was reached in less than 10 minutes,” said Chang.

Encased in a rigid two-piece polycarbonate frame, the Buccaneer sports a minimalist design with no buttons and only a discreet light indicator.

The 3D printer can be operated wirelessly from a user's computer, smartphone, or tablet. Detailed specification will be available on pirate3d.com shortly.

Pirate3D produces all critical parts of its printer, including high-precision mechanics, in Singaporean facilities using automated computer numerical control (CNC) systems. Extreme precision owing to CNC ensures that users will no longer have to calibrate the Buccaneer before use.

Furthermore, proximity of the manufacturing facilities to the company's R&D lab allows it to improve continuously the Buccaneer, as the product development team can receive and examine up to three prototypes per week.

“Our team has put a lot of engineering prowess into the Buccaneer to ensure its reliability and ease of use. Precision of all its mechanisms is

simply impeccable. We couldn't be more excited about bringing The Buccaneer to the market," said Chang.

The Buccaneer will also launch on a yet to be specified date on Amazon US shortly after the preorder opening.

About Pirate3D

Founded in late 2012, Pirate3DP Pte Ltd is a 3D printing startup seed-funded by Red Dot Ventures and incubated by the Institution of Engineers, Singapore (IES). The Buccaneer, their first 3D printer, uses fused filament fabrication (FFF) technique for printing PLA. The company is accepting preorders of the Buccaneer on November 1, 2013 on their website pirate3d.com.

For more information, you may direct your questions to our **CEO Roger Chang** (contact@pirate3d.com).