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Chumby

<http://www.chumby.com/>

The Chumby is a wireless Internet device that delivers content in “widgets” that are synced wirelessly to your Chumby. Widgets are added, managed, and removed from your Chumby online account. News, videos, music, pictures and games can be streamed. A touchscreen keyboard allows you to input some data directly on the Chumby screen. The Chumby does NOT run on batteries: to work it must be plugged in. It’s available in assorted colors for \$180.

1. To turn ON or OFF hold down the Power button on the back of the Chumby.
2. To move through screens (say, in Flickr) or to select something on screen, use the tip of your finger or your fingernail.
3. All widget content streams in preset periods (the default is 15-30 seconds). To keep using or viewing a widget, just tap the screen when the content is displayed.
4. To access the control panel, press the button on the top of the Chumby.
5. You can turn on alarms, music, change your Chumby channel, and access Chumby settings from the control panel.
6. Tap the Music icon in the control panel to select the online music source you’d like to listen to. Tap the selection you want then tap Go To. Tap Done to go back to the control panel or back to the main screen. The music will continue to play in the background.
7. You can also select a specific widget from the control panel if you don’t want to wait for it to scroll by.