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PT-AE1000U
Full High Definition
Home Cinema Projector

Full 1080p High Definition.
Professional Quality.

HOLLYWOOD TUNING
Beginning with the PT-AE100U in 2001, Panasonic has led the industry in developing advanced projectors that bring large-screen, cinema-level viewing enjoyment right into the home. Our Hollywood tuning process, which was developed in collaboration with leading Hollywood colorists and directors of photography, produces images that are exceptionally faithful to the director’s artistic vision and intent. Panasonic made Hollywood tuning available to home consumers in 2003 with the PT-AE500U, which provided unmatched image quality when viewing movies. Now Panasonic is bringing image quality to even greater heights by offering full HD. The new PT-AE1000U is a full-HD compatible home cinema projector that achieves a remarkable 11,000:1 contrast ratio—best in its class*. Developed with the quality and precision that are needed to allow use by Hollywood professionals in the moviemaking process, the PT-AE1000U features three LCD panels that display beautiful 1,080p high-definition pictures in remarkable detail. With the new PT-AE1000U, Panasonic gives you the ultimate cinema experience at home.

*1 When the dynamic iris is on. LCD projectors with 1,000-lumen brightness or higher, as of September 14, 2006.
Full HD Optics

Aspherical lens

ED lens

Large-diameter aspherical glass lens

ED lens
HD Compatible Lens System and New Optical Engine

The lens system plays a key role in getting the best images possible from full-HD video sources. To assure outstanding quality in the new PT-AE1000U, Panasonic developed a full-HD-compatible lens unit comprising 16 lens elements in 12 groups, including two large-diameter aspheric lenses and two high-performance ED (extra-low dispersion) lenses. We also developed a “Clear Prism” to process the three primary colors (red, green and blue) that create the image. By controlling the diffused reflection within the projector, the Clear Prism reduces the chromatic aberrations that can cause color deviation. The result is a sharp, high-contrast image all the way to the edges. This sophisticated new lens system contributes to the PT-AE1000U’s remarkable 11,000:1 contrast ratio.

Next-Generation Full-HD LCD Panels

The PT-AE1000U is equipped with next-generation full-HD LCD panels. With their native 1,920 x 1,080 resolution, these panels are ideal for reproducing beautiful full-HD images. The panels use inorganic, vertically aligned liquid crystal molecules. When no voltage is applied, the molecules are aligned perpendicular to the glass substrate, so there is no light leakage and the substrate remains black (called normally black operation).

Dynamic Iris

The Dynamic Iris helps provide the deeper, richer blacks you need for true-to-life images. This system works by analyzing histograms to determine the brightness level of each image, then adjusting the lamp power, iris and gamma curve accordingly to create the ideal image. The adjustments are made 60 times every second. In the PT-AE1000U we used a new algorithm that further improves response and stability. It helps the projector achieve a wide dynamic range, with beautiful display of both dark and bright scenes.

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*2 C2FINE™ 1920 x 1080 panels.
*3 Parameters for adjusting the output brightness gradation level according to the input signal.
HD Hollywood Tuning

Made by Panasonic, Tuned by Hollywood

Technology that Captures the Artistry of a Top Hollywood colorist
Panasonic worked with leading Hollywood colorist David Bernstein and photography directors to achieve the most accurate image reproduction possible. This collaboration resulted in new integrated circuitry and core image optimizers that help the PT-AE1000U deliver true “Hollywood picture quality”—images that faithfully convey the director’s artistic intent.

Panasonic Hollywood Laboratory (PHL)—Where Hollywood picture quality begins
For the past decade, PHL has conducted research into digital cinema, DVD video compression, and digital conversion of film stock. Now it is working to create standards for next-generation optical media using Blu-ray Disc and projection technology based on HD image compression. PHL’s close relations with leading Hollywood studio technicians, directors, cinematographers and colorists played a key role in developing the PT-AE1000U.

David Bernstein is a top Hollywood colorist whose expertise is evident in the telecine* process for numerous successful films. * Telecine process: How film is transferred to video.
"Pure Color Filter Pro" Delivers Vivid Colors and Rich Blacks
"Cinema Works Pro" Helps Bring Out the Best in HD

"Pure Color Filter Pro" for Professional-Level Color Reproduction
We equipped the PT-AE1000U with a specially developed optical filter that optimizes the light from the UHM projector lamp, helping to achieve deeper blacks while improving purity levels in the three primary colors (red, green and blue) that compose the image. It combines with our multilayered vacuum plating technology to create what we call the Pure Color Filter Pro. This advanced filter system improves color purity to such an extent that the color gamut is expanded nearly to the level specified in the Digital Cinema Initiatives (DCI)*4. To viewers at home, this means you see the kind of bright, vibrant colors and deep, rich blacks that make for great entertainment.

"Smooth Screen" Technology for Deep, Film-Like Images
Smooth Screen is a Panasonic technology that uses crystal double refraction to arrange pixels on a screen without gaps between them. This reduces the black-line "chicken wire effect" between pixels that mars picture quality, giving you the kind of smooth images you see in a movie theatre. It also protects colors from the chicken wire effect, so the image appears deeper and more three-dimensional.

"Cinema Works Pro"—The Heart of Image Processing
The PT-AE1000U introduces Panasonic’s powerful new digital image processing engine. Called Cinema Works Pro, this system unleashes all the beauty from full-HD sources. It helps provide outstanding image quality from other sources as well.
• 14-Bit Digital Processing Circuit. The PT-AE1000U handles up to 14-bit digital image processing. Providing 16,384 gradations, this circuit helps faithfully reproduce even subtle hues and brightness variations, making it possible to see even very fine textures in an image. The PT-AE1000U especially stands out in reproducing dark scenes, achieving the high realism demanded by movie-industry professionals.

Seven Preset Picture Modes
The PT-AE1000U has seven preset picture modes, making it easy for you to enjoy optimal viewing quality from a variety of image sources. Choose whichever mode provides the picture characteristics best suited to the source material.

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<td>Cinema 2</td>
<td>Emphasizes deeper, richer colors. Suitable for older film classics.</td>
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<td>Color 1</td>
<td>A setting that supports the 6,500K*5 color temperature recommended in the HDTV standard (ITU-R BT.709)</td>
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<td>A setting that supports the 6,300K*5 color temperature recommended in the Digital Cinema Distribution Master (DCDM) standard.</td>
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<td>Cinema 3</td>
<td>Designed for clear, sharp reproduction of dynamic scenes. Suitable for action films, cartoons and animation.</td>
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<td>Normal</td>
<td>A general setting suitable for use with most image sources.</td>
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<td>Dynamic</td>
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*4 A consortium formed by seven major Hollywood studios to establish a standard architecture for digital cinema systems.
*5 Applies when all settings are in their initial positions.
Professional-Level Features
The PT-AE1000U gives home consumers a projector with the kind of waveform monitor used in equipment for professionals. This function displays waveforms to show how the PT-AE1000U has adjusted the images of the input signals sent from the source device. In cases where the output level of the source device fluctuates, you can view the waveform on the screen and adjust the image brightness and contrast to match standard levels. In cases where the characteristics of the output signal from the source device are distorted, viewing the waveform can make it easier for you to adjust the picture so it looks just the way the director intended.

Cinema Color Management (CCM)
This is an innovative color correction system that enables free control of colors with CCM technology. You can adjust one color without affecting the neighboring colors. This makes it easier to achieve just the right color equalization in hue, luminance and saturation.

User Equalizing Function
Incorporating Cinema Color Management technology, the PT-AE1000U has a user equalizing function that lets you decide precisely how images look on your screen. In each of the seven preset picture modes, the high, mid, and low gamma levels are adjustable. The PT-AE1000U features a broader adjustment range than earlier models and control screens that are more legible and easy to use. This makes customizing the picture fun and provides professional results. You can even store up to three sets of adjustment settings in memory for use any time.

Built-In Test Pattern
For quick and easy adjustment of zoom and focus, two test patterns are built-in.
Beauty in Design
A Stylish Lens-Centered Design
The PT-AE1000U features a symmetrical design with a centered lens and a high-grade finish that suggests quality. Also available is an optional cable cover (ET-PCE1000) that gives the projector a square shape while neatly concealing the connection cables.

2x Optical Power Zoom and Power Focus
A 2x optical power zoom/focus lens and a lens shift function together make it possible to project a 120-inch picture from as close as 11’10” (3.6 m) to the screen or as far as 23’7” (7.2 m) away. This gives you outstanding setup flexibility. If you choose to ceiling-mount the projector, you can zoom and focus by remote control.

Wide Lens Shift Range
The PT-AE1000U lens has a much wider shift range than previous models. Horizontally, it can shift the image in a range equal to about 40% of the screen width. Vertically it can shift the image up to about 100% of the screen height. If you ceiling-mount the projector, the expanded vertical shift range lets you position the unit closer to the ceiling. Compared to pole mounting, a ceiling mount can give the room a more attractive look. To shift the lens, simply turn the dials which are secured in place by worm gears. The dial has minimal play and allows precise adjustment, and once the lens is adjusted, it stays that way.

Quiet Operation
We reduced fan noise all the way down to 22 dB (in Economy lamp mode) by improving the efficiency of the cooling system. The PT-AE1000U’s whisper-quiet operation means there’s nothing to keep you from enjoying all the beauty of the large-screen HD images.

Learning Remote Control
The PT-AE1000U comes with a universal “learning” remote control unit that you can use to control your DVD player, AV amplifier, motorized projector screen or other components. A backlit LCD panel makes the remote easy to find and use even when you’ve turned the lights low for a home theater effect.

On-Screen Input Guidance
A graphic display on the screen shows which terminals have been selected for sources. An indicator blinks to alert you if you’ve selected a terminal that has no device connected to it.

Variety of Input Ports
The PT-AE1000U has two component inputs. In addition to video, S-video and computer (RGB) terminals, the projector is equipped with two HDMI ports and an RS232C serial port.

Easy Maintenance
For easier maintenance, you can replace the filter from the side and the lamp from the top. The dust filter and lamp are easily replaced even after the PT-AE1000U is installed on the ceiling.
### Specifications

**Power supply**
100–240 V AC, 50/60 Hz

**Power consumption**
240 W (Approx. 0.08 W in standby mode with fan stopped)

**Amps**
2.8 A

**LCD panel**

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<td>0.74” (17.78 mm) diagonally</td>
<td>16:9 aspect ratio</td>
<td>Transparent LCD panel [x 3, R/G/B]</td>
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**Drive method**
Active matrix

**Pixels**
2,073,600 [1,290 x 1,080] x 3, total of 6,220,800 pixels

**Lamp**
165 W UHM™ lamp

**Brightness**
1,100 lumens

**Contrast**
11,000:1 (full on/full off)

**Centre-to-corner uniformity ratio**
95%

**Colors**
Full color (1,073,741,824 colors)

**Projection size (16:9)**

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**Diagonal length**
460 (18-3/32)

**Power cord length**
15 (9/16)

**Operational voltage**
230 (9-1/32)

**Operating environment**
Temperature: 0°–40°C (32°–104°F)
Humidity: 20%–80% (no condensation)

**Weights and dimensions** shown are approximate. Specifications are subject to change without notice.

**Remote control unit**

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**Supplied accessories**
Power cord, Wireless remote control unit, Batteries for remote control (UM-3 x 2)

**Optional accessories**
ET-LAE1000 Replacement lamp unit
ET-PKE1000S Ceiling mount bracket
ET-PCE1000 Cable cover

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**Ecology-Conscious Design**
Panasonic strives to minimize environmental impact caused by its products through careful consideration of design, production, delivery, process and product life cycle. The PT-AE1000U reflects the following ecological considerations.

- Lead-free solder is used to mount components on the printed circuit boards.
- No halogenated flame retardants are used in the cabinet.
- No poly styrene foam is used in the packing materials.
- Lead-free glass is used for the lens.
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- Lamp power switching further reduces power consumption.
- Standby power consumption is a mere 0.08 watts in the standby mode.

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**Projector Global Web Site** [http://panasonic.co.jp/pavc/global/projector](http://panasonic.co.jp/pavc/global/projector)