

The SmartQ V7 is here

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So, first impressions: yes, it really really **is** the Anti-iPad. The whole thing just exudes rough edges.

It boots to a triple-boot selector (Windows CE, Android, Linux) you can't use the touch screen on. First I booted up Android, and poked about a bit. It's, well, Android. There's a rather gigantic deal-breaker, though: the wireless doesn't work. It turns on one out of every two or three tries, but fails trying to scan for networks, then when you go back to the settings menu it's shown as off again. I tried several times across three boots, never got a connection. I've found several threads on the various forums where the SmartQ devices are discussed mentioning similar problems; no-one seems to have any idea how to fix it. I can pair with my phone with Bluetooth, but couldn't figure a way to use the phone's internet connection over BT.

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