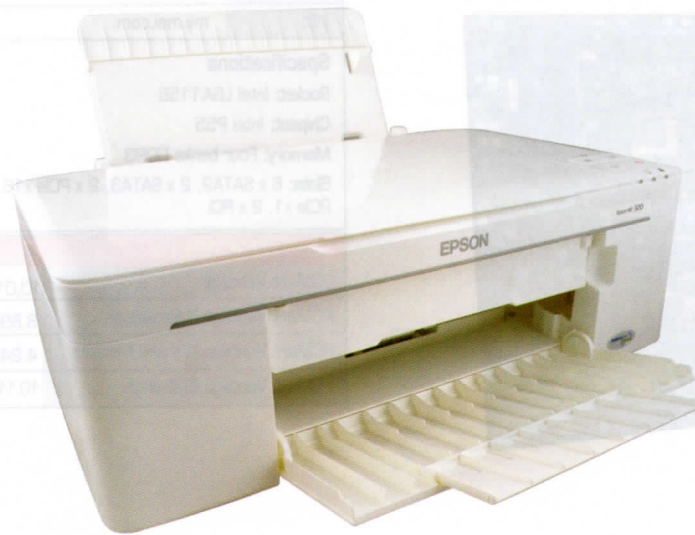


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## Epson ME 320

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### Specifications

**Printing Resolution:** 5760 x 1440dpi max resolution  
**Printing Method:** InkJet  
**Scan Resolution:** 600dpi  
**Feeder Capacity:** 100 sheets  
**Interface:** USB2.0



“Doesn't this look kinda bland?” someone asked, plopping the Epson ME 320 on the table. Frankly, it kind of does. The ME 320 has cream-white overalls with a single black line at the front face, and there's little imagination to the square-ish design. The input and output tray folds out traditionally, and there are only four operation buttons at the top right corner, with three indicative LEDs.

And then, firing it up, we learn soon enough to swallow our words and accept that, despite its looks, what really makes a printer is its print quality. And boy, does

Epson's ME 320 have quality.

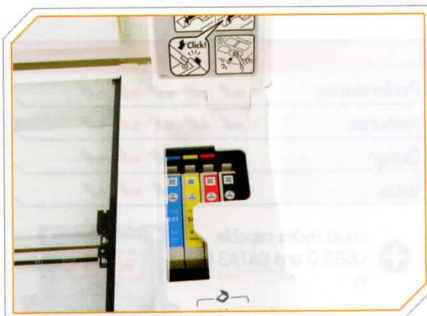
One has to first note that the ME 320 has a 5760 x 1440dpi, which is comparably much, much higher than most printers. Printing a coloured picture in A4, we're thoroughly impressed with how vibrant the print was, and it only looks better when we moved to glossy photo papers. Colour, tone and contrast is superbly replicated. It's certainly among the best in photo-printing quality.

But the ME 320 is also an Epson printer, which gives us the Epson DURABrite Ultra Ink that can actually make the print smudge and water-resistant. Even fresh out of the printer, the images doesn't smudge when we run a finger through it, and there was the obligatory Dip the Picture Into Water test (for this, we use a standard A4 paper print). The colours stayed as it is, though it doesn't necessarily make the paper invulnerable. Note, too, that the ink costs only RM24 per black cartridge, and does yield 230+ pages, making it cost effective too. The print speed is also pretty close to its assigned specs; we managed 26ppm for mono documents, so the ME 320 can also serve

as a fair office printer.

With the fantastic print quality and performance, however, it's a shame that the ME 320 doesn't come with more features like the ability to network, wired or wireless. There's not even a PictBridge setup. At least operation is simple, and changing ink cartridges is easy. The scanner works perfectly fine, and 600dpi in scans is certainly sufficient.

**CHIP CONCLUDE :** The Epson ME 320 looks plain and doesn't have much features over its core functionality, but the fantastic print quality and its resistant ink makes it truly one of the best inkjet printers out there.



The affordable Epson DURABrite Ultra ink

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- Excellent print quality  
Water resistant and affordable ink
- Lacking PictBridge support