

The [Antan DVB-T9033JA](#) was one of the top-performing passive antennas in most of our tests, but in a couple of locations its performance was below average.

The [Antennas Direct ClearStream 1Max](#) is an indoor/outdoor design. Indoors, its performance wasn't impressive—except in our Oceanside, California, test location, where it weirdly pulled in 37 channels when the best any other antenna could do was 21. We also found the even larger [Antennas Direct ClearStream Max-V](#) to be an underperformer in indoor settings.

Our previous top pick, the [Antennas Direct ClearStream Eclipse](#), worked very well in our original Philadelphia-area tests, but it required the addition of an amplifier to get good results in Los Angeles, where its performance was sometimes exceptionally good but sometimes below average.

The [Antennas Direct ClearStream Flex](#) is our former top pick. On average, it's the best powered antenna we've found, but it's nearly as pricey as some models that have built-in signal-level meters, and the best passive antennas perform about as well at a much lower price.

The [Antennas Direct ClearStream Max](#) is a large, indoor/outdoor antenna that, despite its size, offered no real performance advantage over the small indoor models we tested.

The [Antennas Direct ClearStream Wireless](#) antenna device works with your Wi-Fi network to distribute antenna signals around a house so all the TVs theoretically get the same optimized reception. It works, but the Wi-Fi connection was glitchy in our tests, and you lose some picture quality when the device converts the TV broadcast signal to a digital format for distribution on the network.

The [Antier AN2019](#) is an unusual, apostrophe-shaped powered antenna that performed respectably, although not as well as the best of the flat antennas. If you want a compact antenna that sits on a tabletop, it's worth a try.

The [Core Innovations ANT800BAR](#) is a soundbar-shaped antenna that ranked in the middle in our 2025 tests, which isn't impressive compared to our top picks, but not bad for a "lifestyle" antenna.

The [GE Enlighten](#) is a great design that sits unobtrusively atop a TV and provides a bias light that illuminates the area around the screen, which can ease eyestrain. Unfortunately, its performance was below average.

The [GE UltraEdge 50](#) is about half the size of our top picks, and fell well short of their performance.

The [GE UltraPro](#) is a bar-shaped design that's rather large, but offered middling performance in our tests.

The [Mohu Leaf 30](#) is the antenna that put flat antennas on the map. It's still available, and it performs pretty well, but not as well as our picks. Mohu was purchased by Antennas Direct.

The compact, 11½-by-4-inch [Mohu Leaf Metro](#) is considerably more compact than most flat antennas, and it doesn't include an amplifier. Yet in our channel-scan tests, it often pulled in almost as many channels as our relatively large top picks. It's a little on the pricey side for what it is, but for situations where a larger antenna might stick out, it's a good choice.

The compact [New Vista Wide Span Flat-Field Digital TV antenna](#)'s performance wasn't impressive, and its cable is only 5 feet long.

The [Oheotoo TX-006](#) is an unusual, box-shaped amplified antenna designed for wall-mounting. In our 2025 tests, it ranked in the middle or the bottom, depending on location and distance.

The [One for All Suburban](#) soundbar-style is an attractive design that typically offered mid-pack performance. The [smaller Suburban model](#) performed poorly in our tests.

The [Onn Indoor Dual-Color Amplified Antenna](#) was the lowest-ranked antenna in our 2025 tests.

The [Philips Indoor Switch](#) is similar to our top pick, but almost twice as costly, and didn't perform quite as well.

On channel 6, in the difficult-to-receiver low-VHF range, the [Qboy AN-3007](#) delivered the strongest signal of any of the antennas we tested in 2025. However, its average performance across all channels ranked second-to-last. If you need an antenna for VHF reception (channels 2 through 13), we recommend the much less expensive [GE 33681](#).

We were excited to try the extra-wide [RCA ANT2160E](#), which we thought might outperform smaller flat antennas, but our picks generally surpassed it.

The [RCA ANT3ME](#) is our previous runner-up, replaced by the newer ANT3ME1. The ANT3ME is still available through some vendors, and it costs a little less, but we'd suggest getting the newer model, which performs better.

[RCA's Slivr](#) uses rigid plastic to house its antenna element, which makes it bulkier and heavier than other flat antennas. It pulled in only half as many channels as the better antennas did.

The [Transonic B100](#) is a cute, very small passive antenna with a blue circuit pattern printed on one side. It didn't perform as well as our top pick, and we expect most people would rather have a less-flashy antenna.