Mekotronics R58 review - Part 1: Rockchip RK3588 mini PC unboxing & teardown

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Mekotronics R58 is a cost-optimized Rockchip RK3588 mini PC and SBC that sells for as little as $169 with 4GB and 32GB eMMC flash. The company has now sent me a model with 8GB RAM and 64GB flash for evaluation, and in the first part of the review, I’ll do an unboxing, check out the hardware more closely, and boot it up for a quick check.

There’s no retail package so to speak with just a white box and a sticker reading ?MINI 8+64G? indicating the RAM and storage capacity for the device.

The mini PC ships with a 12V/3A power adapter and cord, an IR remote control with two AAA batteries, two WiFi antennas, an HDMI cable, and a USB-A to USB-C cable probably to flash the firmware if needed.

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