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We've checked out ATI's Radeon HD 4550 low-end graphics card already and found it to be a nice solution for Linux users on a budget, but how does NVIDIA's competitor contend? In this review we are looking at the NVIDIA GeForce 9500GT from Sparkle. This graphics card has 1GB of DDR2 memory along with DVI, HDMI, and DisplayPort connectors.

Features:

- NVIDIA GeForce 9500GT GPU
- 550MHz Core Clock
- 800MHz Memory Clock
- 1350MHz Shader Clock
- 1024MB of 128-bit DDR2
- PCI Express 2.0
- DisplayPort & HDMI Connectors

The heatsink doesn't cover the entire PCB, but around it is additional power circuitry, the two-pin fan header, and the HDMI pass-through audio header. Due to the lower power requirements of this graphics card, no external PCI Express power connector is required.

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