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TOPIC -----

This article describes the internal mass-storage options in the Macintosh Quadra 950.

DISCUSSION -----

The floor-standing case provides flexibility for internal mass-storage devices. There are four half-high mounting locations. Two of the four are in the front of the case, accessible for removable media. Any of the four locations can accommodate either a 3.5-inch or a 5.25-inch hard disk drive. The 1.44MB SuperDrive disk drive doesn't take up one SCSI slot, therefore there are four additional SCSI connections possible.

A hard disk drive for the Quadra 950 computer can be a 3.5-inch or 5.25-inch half-height device or a 5.25-inch full-height device. The Quadra 950 comes with either a 230MB or 400MB hard drive. Third party full-height drives are available with even higher capacities. Third parties will have to ship their internal devices with a carrier. Users must keep track of the SCSI IDs of their internal devices, use Get Info on each drive to check the IDs, or use a public domain package such as SCSI Probe to make sure there is no conflict on the SCSI bus. A note on this has been added to the User's Guide.

The upper-front location will always be filled with a 1.44MB SuperDrive. The lower front location can accommodate a backup device, either tape or magneto-optical, or a non-removable SCSI device. One of the internal storage devices in the Quadra 950 computer can be a CD-ROM drive, installed at the front for media access.

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