

Yeni DX türü: HDTV

TELE-satellite dergisi düzenli olarak uydu DXçileri hakkında yazılar yayınlıyor. Şimdiye kadar değindiklerimizin tümü uydu sinyalleriyle hobi olarak uğraşan kişilerdi. Şimdi artık yeni bir kategori var: HDTV DX'çiler! Bunlar yalnızca DVB-S2 HDTV kanallarla ilgileniyorlar. Başka hiçbir şey umurlarında değil. HDTV üzerine uzmanlaşmış bu Dxçilerden biriyle Pekin'de karşılaştık. Tuhaf olan, Çin'de düz alanlar hariç uydu sinyalleri izlemeye Müsaade edilmiyor, ve bu nedenle orada HDTV ile uğraşan birinin olması iki kere tuhaf geldi bize.

■ Yalnızca iki gün önce satın alınmış: Applesat'ın bir iki güne kadar dikmeyi düşündüğü yeni 2.4 metrelik anten. 1.0 metrelik sabit antense ASIASAT uydusuna bakıyor.



■ Applesat'ın 60 santimlik antenindeki 3 LNB sırasıyla 138 doğu TELSTAR 18, 146 doğu AGILA ve 134 doğu APSTAR 6 uydularını alıyor.

This HDTV DXer adopted the nickname "Applesat". He explained why: "At 15 I started getting interested in satellite reception. Back then China was still quite isolated and the reception of foreign programming opened up a new world for me. Back then I thought that the Earth was like an apple with satellites flying around it."

His parents didn't really like his new hobby, but Applesat didn't worry about it too much and started with a 1.5-meter dish for ASIASAT 1 reception. That was 1992. Three years later he expanded his system with a 2.1-meter dish for APSTAR 1.

In January 2009 he moved into his own apartment in a new building in northern Beijing. He chose this particular apart-

■ Applesat antenlerini bu apartmanın çatısında çok güzel gizlemiş: aşağıdan bakıldığında görülüyor. Antenin dokuzuncu katında balkona monte edilmişler.



■ Bu feedhorn özel olarak ofset antenler için tasarlanmış ve konik biçiminden de tanınabiliyor. Applesat "Normal parabol anten feedlerinde çok fazla sinyal kaybı oluyor" diye açıklıyor.

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■ Oturma odasının güneye bakan penceresinde küçük bir anteni Trimax metreyle ayarlıyor. "Bunu genellikle akşamları yapıyorum" diyor Applesat, "bu benim elle çalışan motorlu antenim."

ment for a reason: it is on the ninth floor directly under the roof. For the most part this protected him from any curious glances. "You can only install dishes legally out in open land areas for CHINASTAR reception with channels in ABS-S", explains Applesat, "but private reception in the city is not allowed."

There are exceptions though for those apartment buildings in which foreigners are allowed to reside and then only in those apartments in which these foreigners live. The Beijing-born Applesat cannot use this as an excuse, so for this reason he doesn't want to draw any attention to himself. "I love HDTV", says Applesat, "and that's why I am willing to take some risks." His dream is to one day have his own piece of land near the Great Wall of China so that he can erect a real satellite antenna farm. "But current laws don't allow city residents like me to own any land outside of the city."

Until that day comes, he keeps in touch with like-minded people. He exchanges new HDTV channel information through his own Internet forum www.hdtvstar.cn; he acquires new transponder frequencies from www.cnsat.net.

How does someone like Applesat get ahold of satellite products in Beijing? While you can find shops with satellite equipment in provincial cities, you won't find anything in Beijing. "I buy much of my equipment through Internet auction sites", reveals Applesat, "Using the word 'satellite' is really not allowed so you have to use other similar terms to find products like that."

Applesat knows how to get around all the obstacles to expand his hobby. His rack already contains five satellite receivers plus he also has a 32" HDTV flat-screen TV. "I'd really like to turn my hobby into my job", explains Applesat, "and eventually that will happen." The energy that Applesat puts into his hobby makes that a certainty.

■ Applesat, televizyonunun önünde uydu alıcılarıyla. Biri DMB-TH karasal HDTV sinyaller için, ikisi DVB-S şifreli ve DVB-S şifresiz yayın uydu alıcısı. "Favori kanallarım ASIASAT 2 uydusunda Luxe.TV ve MEASAT üzerinde Fashion TV, Voom, National Geographic, History Channel, AXN ve ASN", "Koreli Skylife kısa süre önce KOREASAT 3 uydusunda 11.900 ve 11.938 frekanslarında yeni HD kanalların yayınına başladı."

