

### Amazon Prime Day 2022 Your Essential Playbook

Everything you need to ensure your Brand is prepared for this year's two-day shopping event



### Amazon Prime Day 2022 is approaching, and as usual, it's anticipated to be bigger and better than ever before!

Amazon Prime is currently available in 22 countries. The two-day Amazon Prime Day shopping event offers discounts on hundreds of products across a wide range of categories.





In this playbook we share key stats from last year's Prime Day. You'll also discover the key learnings from some of the most successful Brands. See first hand the strategic and tactical solutions that are working for them, as they redesign their eCommerce strategy to meet near-term demands on the run up to Prime Day whilst planning for long-term growth.



## Amazon Prime Day

In 2021, Prime Day was shifted to June 21-22 for the first time. In 2020, following supply shortages and delivery delays caused by the coronavirus pandemic, Amazon was forced to postpone Prime Day until mid-October. Prior to this, Prime Day was usually celebrated in **July**, and it appears that Amazon is planning to do so again in 2022.

Prime Day began as a 24-hour shopping event in 2015, then expanded to 30 hours in July 2017 and then to two days in 2018. Initially launched in 2015 to celebrate the company's 20th anniversary, **Prime Day** has grown into a 48hour online shopping event with a massive range of promotions and price discounts resulting in recordbreaking sales around the globe.

**93%** of UK online shoppers bought from Amazon in 2021 – the same rate as for 2020 – showing that the eCommerce giant was able to retain the customers it acquired during lockdown. 4

Last year, Prime Day was the biggest twoday period ever for Amazon's third party sellers, resulting in a huge boost in Prime Day deals across home, fashion, beauty and electronics - more than 250 million items were bought worldwide.

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Best-selling categories worldwide for Prime Day 2021 included tools, beauty, nutrition, baby care, electronics including Amazon Devices, apparel, and household products.



### Amazon Prime facts you need to know







### Amazon Prime Day 2022

How can your Brand be prepared?

Our expert team put together top tips to help you sail through this extremely busy period, enable your Brand to stand out and make the 2022 Amazon Prime Day your Brand's most profitable, ever!

With proven results on Amazon performance marketing for brands across the globe, this eBook brings you Top Tips from our Amazon Advertising experts. These strategies will help you drive more online conversions during what will be the biggest shopping season of the year.





# **10 TOP TIPS**

to ensure your Brand is prepared for this year's two-day shopping spree event

- 1. Understand your Buyer's Behaviour
- 2. Add new product offerings and/or Unique Bundles based on buyer's behaviour
- 3. Optimise Your Amazon Product Listing
- 4. Manage the Buy Box & Sell At The Price That Fits Your Pricing Strategy
- 5. Focus on Average Order Value (AoV)
- 6. Ensure Product Availability
- 7. Partner with a trusted 3P provided (like Luzern) to complement your 1P strategy
- 8. Optimise your Ads
- 9. Sharpen cart abandonment rate strategy
- 10. Consider drop shipping / fulfilled by merchant





## Understand your Buyers Behaviour

It's important that Brands understand who their customers are, and how they like to shop, and leverage this data to understand their digital footprint and what that means for your Brand and selling strategy, especially on the run up to Prime Day.

By recognising and rewarding your loyal customers, that profitable sale is more likely to happen. To ensure customers, regardless of where they are shopping from, will want to return to your online store to check out your Prime Day deals, you need to deliver a personalised experience from search, to buy button but also from the warehouse to their house.

A smooth customer journey has never been more important.

#### HERE IS AN EXAMPLE OF A CUSTOMER JOURNEY IN 2 STEPS:



#### 1. Seeking Inspiration:

Customers researching for products or ideas will check your store before the Prime Day starts, usually between 15th May and end of June, since the exact dates haven't been released yet.



#### 2. Seeking Information / Deals:

Customers that are interested in finding out more about your products or specific deals will land on your store when the event is happening

TIP

It is important to plan your marketing efforts and advertising strategies to match each of the customer journey stages



### Add New Product Offerings and/or Unique Bundles Based on Buyer's Behaviour

Your Brand can offer new products and unique bundles based on the customer behaviour insights gathered on the previous step.

By giving the customers what they want, at an attractive price point, you will caught their attention. You can create new exclusive Prime Day bundles to delight customers and boost sales. Advertising the fact that it's a "Prime Day Exclusive" always helps!





# **Product Bundles**

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> See more product details





# Keywords are Key!

Consider longer tail keywords which will cost less as there will be less traffic but we see have better CVR's and higher ROAS. Defining part of your budget to this strategy, can result in a smaller goldmine of sales. The remainder of your budget will be to drive traffic using the 'popular' keywords to your products.

If you offer a specific product that has a flavour or colour, consider splitting your campaigns with these ASIN's. Keywords on these campaigns should be colour/flavour related so when your customer is looking for your product but a particular flavour, you will show ahead of others who have omitted these.

TIP

Use other search engines for keyword ideas such as Google etc.

TIP

If you have lots of ASIN's, Group products on campaigns by choosing a common attribute (colour, price, flavour, USP, etc.)



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### **3** Optimise Your Amazon Product Listing

Optimising your product pages to present your products effectively is vital, not only to improve the visibility of your products on Amazon but also to improve the customer experience of your Brand.

Compelling product descriptions, clear feature bullets and strong imagery with clear product photos improve the shopping experience for the customer and increases the likelihood that they'll buy from you. Shoppers will always look at the images before reading the bullet points.

An optimised listing also has a positive effect on your organic search results.

#### HERE ARE 8 TIPS TO OPTIMISE YOUR AMAZON PRODUCT LISTING:

- 1. Use Relevant Keywords
- 2. Pick the correct Categories
- 3. Avoid duplicating Product Pages
- 4. Use effective Product Titles
- 5. Highlight Key Features and Benefits with bullet points
- 6. Write informative Product Descriptions
- 7. Encourage Customer Reviews
- 8. Use professional quality Product Images





### Manage the Buy Box & Sell At The Price That Fits Your Pricing Strategy

Brands can tackle squeezed margins on the run up to Prime Day even if they are under extremely margin pressure when selling to Amazon directly (1P). This is generally triggered by the price war to win the Buy Box, as a

product in the Buy Box will sell four times as much as a product without it.

The Buy Box accounts for almost 80% of Amazon's marketplace purchases, and this percentage rises dramatically with Amazon mobile sales. It's critical for sellers to understand how Amazon chooses who gets the desired Buy Box spot, because it may make or kill an online business.

Amazon will try to optimize its profit margins by promoting the best-selling items. They then inform the Brands that unless prices improve, they will discontinue ordering some or all of the items. If the "demands" aren't satisfied, this can amount to millions of dollars in missed income. When you sell directly to Amazon through 1P, Amazon serves as a retailer and can make pricing changes on its own.

However, if you use the <u>Amazon Hybrid Selling Model</u>, Brands have price autonomy over their products. The Hybrid Model delivers flexibility and gives more control back to the Brand.



### **5** Focus on Average Order Value (AoV)

AoV is an important metric that helps Amazon sellers choose whether or not they should increase their growth and revenue. One of the most important KPIs for every vendor is to increase AOV.

Having a high average order value can offset your advertising costs and create a larger profit margins, this is a good strategy and gives Brands an alternative to offering a blanket discounts.

Bundling products, based on buyer preferences, will enable a higher AoV.







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### Philips Hue W xW Fil A60 E27 EUR (Triple Pack) Visit the Philips Hue Store

#### €56<sup>97</sup>

Prices for items sold by Amazon include VAT. Depending on your delivery address, VAT may vary at Checkout. For other items, please see details.

Light type	LED
Indoor/Outdoor usage	Indoor
Wattage	3 watts
Light colour	Warm white
Brand	Philips Hue

#### About this item

- Easy setup via Bluetooth: turn on the Hue lamp, download the Hue Bluetooth app and control up to 10 lights in one room
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### Ensure Product Availability

### If your product is out of stock, you miss valuable sales!

Brands rely on Amazon to keep ordering their products to ensure online availability to their customers. However, there are many reasons why Amazon would not place orders, including low profitability, low demand for that product, or bad supplier performance. This reduces an ASIN's sales velocity since out of stock equals no conversion and leads to product list suppression.

### Your best solution?

Use an expert 3rd Party (3P) Partner such as Luzern eCommerce. As sellers have full control over their stock, if Amazon loses the Buy Box due to a lack of product availability, you can "move up" with your 3P seller account and avoid an out of stock issue. The secret to succeed in wining the Buy Box is having a good selling performance, By working with your trusted 3P Partner, you may positively impact variables that keep your items up, such as delivery circumstances and customer evaluations.









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# Work with a trusted 3P Partner

like Luzern eCommerce to complement your 1P Strategy





# Optimize your Ads

On the run up to Prime Day, Amazon Advertising spend by most Brands will jump. Boosting your marketing efforts around relevant products during the Prime Day event will lead to increased visibility and sales!

Running Sponsored Products Ads is a great way to target seasonal traffic. With your campaigns running, it's important to make sure they're as effective as possible.

Many Brands are happy to increase the spend as they see sufficient RoAS. If you increase budgets to drive traffic, it makes sense to also be smart about bottom of the funnel tactics. For example, if your products are selling on Amazon, be sure to spend money carefully at the SKU level to drive conversions.

Take a look at your targeted keywords and adjust to include any relevant seasonal terms customers may be searching for. You'll also want to increase your budget during these peak times. An increased Sponsored Products budget allows your ads to be shown to more shoppers, which can lead to more sales. Be sure to use high-quality imagery that shows off any and all product benefits.





## Why are Amazon Ads so important?

Amazon's advertising revenue rose 32% in 2021. Unlike Google and Facebook, Amazon shoppers have strong **purchase intent**, making the advertising features more profitable than the others. As a result of the influx of new brands over the last year, competition on Amazon grew. This competition coupled with the high ROI of Amazon advertising is boosting the advertising spend of brands on Amazon.

> Brands are focusing their attention and increasingly allocating ad budgets to Amazon because of this 3 main reasons:

It has an audience of engaged consumers who are ready to make a purchase. The highly target Amazon ad options ensures that the right products are shown to the right people. Ad performance can be accurately measured. Luzern's Channel Optimizer

measured. Luzern's Channel Optimizer Platform bring brands speed and agility from attracting shoppers with the right advertising, to budget allocation and marketing.



# Sponsored advertising options to drive sales growth



- Target by keyword or product for increased visibility.
- Ads appear in shopping results and on product details pages to help drive interest and sales.

### Sponsored Brands

- Target by keyword or product to help shoppers discover and engage with your brand.
- Logo, headline and product collections appear in results. (+SBV format)

### **Stores**

- A free self-service product that lets brands create a dedicated destination on Amazon.
  - Use Sponsored Brands ads to drive traffic to your store.

### Sponsored Display

Target by category or product to help drive awareness, interest and conversion, with automatically generated display ads that showcase your product.



# Optimal budget splits for campaigns





# Amazon Advertising

Advertising Revenue 2021 (In US Billions)

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Amazon's Advertising Arm Represents **7%** of the Company's Total Revenue of **\$469,8B** (net sale)

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# Four key factors to consider



**Keywords:** Use your best performing keywords from previous campaigns. Consider using the keywords that have a high CTR but low sales

**Budgets:** Start with budgets similar to SB campaigns

**Bids:** Think BIG! Start with bids higher than SB or SP to learn what is working fast.

**Campaigns:** Test new audiences and different videos creatives.



### Invest in Video Advertising

### 1 to 3

On average, Amazon shoppers only consider one to three brands before purchasing. Video can really help you stand out.

### 1 in 5

One in five Amazon shoppers have purchased as a direct result of watching a video.

Reach shoppers across desktop and mobile





### Sharpen your Cart Abandonment Rate Strategy

"Cart abandonment rate is the bane of existence for many eCommerce specialists because it is like money left on the table."

Reduce lost sales with a proven approach to <u>cart</u> <u>abandonment</u>. Follow this 4 steps to ensure a lower cart abandonment rate during this year's Prime Day event. Provide Accurate and Specific Product Descriptions so that your customers know that the item will add value to them, making sure you have a comprehensive product description.

Offer free shipping, or your customers are likely to buy from your competitor that offers the product at similar price but free shipment.

Utilise Amazon's built-in promotion tools such as Vendor Powered Coupons, or VPCs so that your ads appear as digital coupons within ad units. This will create a sense of 'urgency' and coupled with a motivating CTA will lead to the customer completing the transaction with greater immediacy.

Engage with your customers by providing an excellent customer service that will answer customers queries quickly and accurately.

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### Consider Dropship/ Fulfilled by Merchant

Brands can be faced with fluctuating demand on the run up to Prime Day, in fact, at any time! Many are turning to microfulfilment and meeting demand with decentralised distribution models. The risk associated with unpredictability can be mitigated by using these point-to-point shipping solutions.

If you use FBA, you know that proper lead times ensure your inventory is ready to be purchased. During shopping events or high traffic seasons, Amazon warehouses become very busy, so include extra lead time in your shipments. Staying up-to-date can help set you up for success. Consider increasing, if not doubling, your lead times to ensure you have enough inventory stocked to handle holiday or seasonal demand.

Switching to FBM (Fulfilled by Merchant) ensures your customers get the products they want on their marketplace of choice. If you have stock in your own warehouse or even at other location you can still meet the demand from your customers by using FBM. A 3P partner, like Luzern eCommerce, can integrate directly to fulfil orders so that when a customer places an order, it can be shipped directly to them.





This Fulfilment model enables you to build up listings and history, growing sales and margin across 3P as well as protecting any existing direct relationship with customers, avoiding channel conflict or any "race to the bottom" pricing battles.

Luzern eCommerce, as your 3rd party provider, can assist with warehousing, order processing and delivery, ensuring supply is in stock and ready for sale on Amazon.



# Next Steps: Talk to The Experts!

With over 15 years working with numerous leading Brands, our Amazon Experts know what it takes to have a successful Prime Day, including proven strategies on the run up to Prime and what it takes to ensure your Brand is prepared for this year's two-day shopping spree event.

Luzern's Channel Optimizer platform and expertise enable excellence at both the planning and the execution-end of Amazon Marketplace, bringing brands speed and agility from attracting shoppers with the right advertising through to fulfilment and delivery of the order.

We support a complete go-to-market strategy from budget allocation, marketing and advertising, assortment and inventory planning, dynamic pricing control and cart and check-out.

Get in touch to see first-hand how we could help your brand!

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