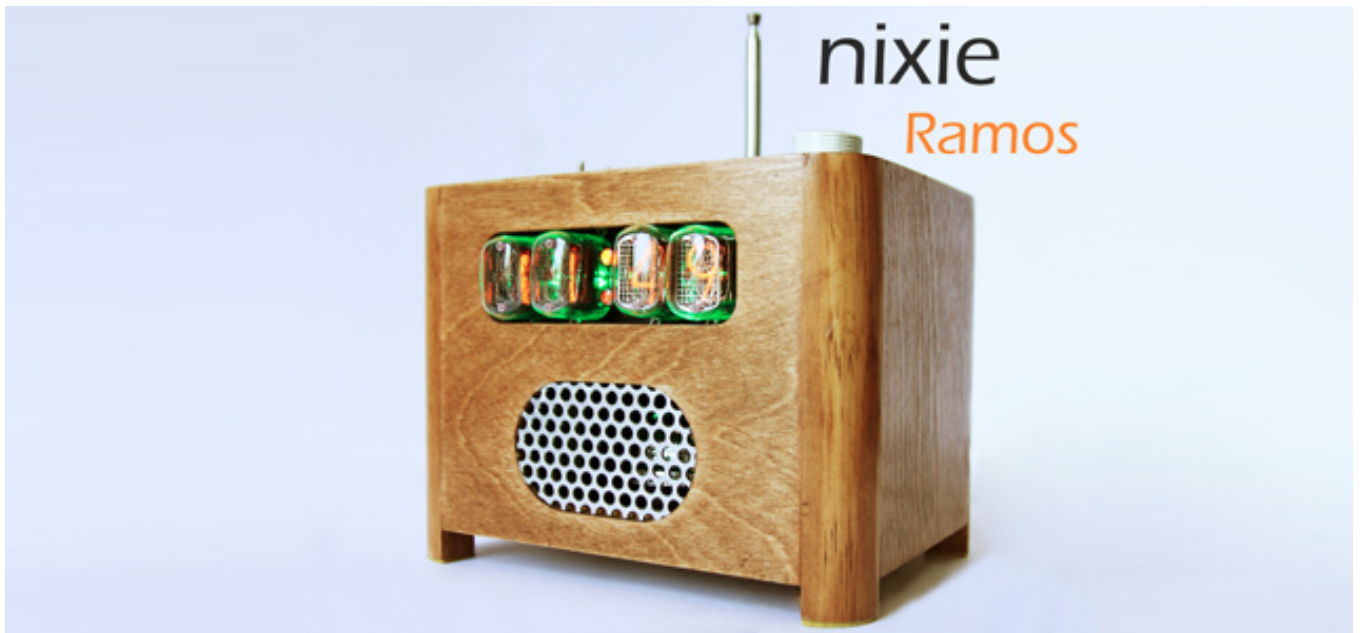


Alarm clock forces users out of bed to enter a code



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There may be a lucky few who never have trouble getting up in the morning, but for everyone else, engineer and designer Paul Sammut has a new solution. Now fully funded on [Kickstarter](#), Sammut's new [Ramos](#) alarm clock can't be turned off by any ordinary means; rather, users must get up and walk to an accompanying defuse panel to punch in the clock's preset deactivation code.

There's no "snooze" button in easy reach on the Ramos clock, which has been in development for years, Sammut says. "Ramos is a clock I made after I got tired of constantly oversleeping," he explains. "I needed something that would force me out of bed." No surprise, then, that the Ramos can only be turned off when the user gets up and enters in a code on a separate wireless defuse panel, which Sammut suggests be placed in the kitchen or bathroom. "You'll have to use your brain a bit more, which will help wake you up," he notes. "Best of all, after you turn off the alarm you'll find yourself in your bathroom or kitchen, away from the evil alluring bed and ready to start your day." An optional snooze mode will be included, but users won't be able to exceed the number of "snoozes" they preset in advance.

The Ramos can now be preordered on Kickstarter starting at USD 160, with options including either an LED or nixie tube display and a variety of hardwoods and finishes. Specialty retailers around the globe: one to get in on early?

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