

## TDL T-Line



TDL Electronics has expanded its range of reflex transmission loudspeakers with the introduction of two new models, the T-Line 2 and T-Line 3. The new models bridge the gap between TDL's Studio and Reference series and are based upon the existing RTL2 and RTL3 designs. They have polished real wood veneers and come assembled with spiked plinths. Both designs employ 172mm plastic cone bass units. These are set into dedicated cast chassis which are machined on each side to suit the slim baffle. In the T-Line 2 this bass/midrange driver is complemented by a 25mm black anodized aluminium dome tweeter. Its frequency range is 40Hz-20kHz and sensitivity 87dB for one watt at one metre.

In the T-Line 3 two bass/mid drivers are used, one above and one below the tweeter. Here the low frequency coverage is extended to 30Hz and the sensitivity raised to 90dB. Both designs have a nominal impedance of 8 ohms. T-Line 2 costs £549.95 per pair and T-Line 3 £699.95. TDL Electronics Limited, PO Box 98, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP10 9SH.

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## Meridian 505

New from Meridian Audio is the 505 mono power amplifier. Rated at 160 watts into 8 ohms it has a massive low-noise 800VA mains transformer which is allied to an



output stage employing no less than six high power transistors, the upshot being an instantaneous current capability in excess of 30A and a concomitant ability to drive awkward loudspeaker loads (it can happily cope with loads which dip below 2 ohms). Balanced and conventional unbalanced inputs are provided as well as paired output terminals for bi-wiring. The circuit has clearly evolved from the established Meridian tradition, with its high-precision, high slew rate capable input stage and fully complementary gain and output stage. Low feedback, self-adjusting bias, DC and thermal protection are other features. The 505 is priced singly at £795. Meridian Audio Limited, Stonehill, Stukeley Meadows, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE18 6ED.

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## Onkyo AV receiver

The TX-SV434 audio-video receiver from Onkyo is a fully featured Dolby Pro-Logic unit offering 65 watts per channel into 8 ohms in normal stereo mode or 55 watts each for the front channels plus two 20 watt channels for the surround. In addition there is a dedicated line-level output for feeding an active subwoofer. Dolby Pro-Logic and Onkyo's own Hall Surround circuits are fitted, the latter adjustable to simulate a variety of typical hall acoustics. There are six audio and two video inputs as well as a preamplifier section output. The tuner section has 20 AM and FM presets (with RDS Programme Service) plus three station-group presets which allow

favourite stations to be grouped together and scanned with just one button. Other features include separate A/B loudspeaker switching, motor driven volume control via the supplied full-function R/C handset (which also controls of any other Onkyo "RI"-compliant units in the system) and battery-free memory backup. The TX-SV434 costs £399.95.

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## Teac CD



Teac has introduced a new low-cost CD player to its UK line-up. The £129.95 CD-P1800 uses a single-bit D/A converter with an eight-times oversampling digital filter. Features include a centrally mounted disc transport, multi-function, eight-digit fluorescent display plus a 'music calendar', full function remote control handset, shuffle play, random memory programming and a headphones socket. In addition to the normal unbalanced analogue outputs, it also carries a Toslink optical digital output. Teac UK Limited, 5 Marlin House, The Croxley Centre, Watford, Herts WD1 8YA. Telephone 01923 819630 Fax 01923 236290.

## Harbeth Xtender

Harbeth Acoustics has introduced a neat complementary bass unit for its HL-P3 and HL-P3ES mini monitor loudspeakers. The HL-Xtender forms a pedestal support for the P3, substituting for a conventional stand. Its single driver unit is located internally and is coupled to the room via an upward firing vent and an "acoustic lens" which focuses the energy towards the listener (and away from the nearby room boundaries). The P3 sits on top of the Xtender, rigidly coupled to it by spikes. The Xtender employs a single 110mm plastics cone driver which is identical to that used in the P3. The passive two-element pcb-mounted crossover marries it to the P3 drivers to form a composite which is

claimed to maintain the much valued Harbeth midband while adding solidity to the lowest frequencies. By sharing the LF load in this way, the overall system distortion under high signal drive conditions is also reduced, as implied by the reduction in cone excursion on the P3. Both the P3 and the Xtender are magnetically shielded, making them ideal for use in A/V applications. Available on its own at £549 in the standard Harbeth veneers (cherry, teak, walnut or black) or £649 in 'exotic' veneers, the Xtender is also available in combination with the HL-P3ES for £1,298 (standard) or £1,498 (exotic).

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## In brief

Revox has made a welcome re-entry to the UK market courtesy The Musical Design Company, a newly formed venture set up by Micromega UK MD, Ian Bolt. The award-winning Evolution and Emotion systems are joined in the TMDQ portfolio by Revox's own multi-room components and a new introduction, Elegance, a range of high performance separates. Further details are available by Telephone on 0181-502 1439 or Fax on 0181-502 1438.

Wharfedale International Limited has moved its headquarters to the old Quad address at 30 St Peter's Road, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE18 7DB.

Telephone 01480 431737 Fax 01480 431767. This news prompts a reminder that Quad Electroacoustics itself is now based at the Mission Building at Stonehill, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE18 6ED. Telephone 01480 451777 Fax 01480 432777.

The High Fidelity Show '97 will be held at the Holiday Inn, Crown Plaza, Manchester on February 1st and 2nd.

Sound & Vision '97 runs from February 21st-23rd at the Marriott Hotel, Bristol.