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Product Announcement

Pro-Ject Stereo Box E

Compact stereo integrated amplifier

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Since the late 1990s, Pro-Ject Audio Systems, the Austrian analogue audio specialists, have also been producing a range of affordable electronics that deliver a high-end feature set. Spanning phono stages, DACs, streamers, CD players and amplifiers, the "Box Design" range provides great stand-alone solutions as well as extensive opportunities to build bespoke system configurations that fit into a surprisingly compact footprint.

One of the most enduringly popular models within Pro-Ject's electronics range is the MaiA integrated amplifier, which combines extensive connectivity with a warm, tube-like sound. Today, Pro-Ject are announcing an affordable solution that enters the range beneath the MaiA S3.



The Stereo Box E (UK SRP £249.00, USD \$349.00) draws heavily on the MaiA S3 design, featuring an amplifier module with a sound that's inspired by the superior model's output. It also boasts a built-in DAC and phono stage, as well as a headphone amplifier and aptX HD capable Bluetooth streaming input, resulting in a full-feature solution that sounds unbelievable for the price.

Stereo Box E features include:

- ✓ Compact integrated amplifier design with musically engaging sound quality
- ✓ Analogue volume control with motor-driven potentiometer
- ✓ Three (3) analogue inputs, three (3) digital inputs and Bluetooth streaming input
- ✓ USB-C output, to power modern compact streamers
- ✓ Isolated speaker outputs, and Subwoofer output
- ✓ Built-in headphone amplifier
- ✓ Premium build-quality, with heavy duty steel case and brushed aluminium front panel
- ✓ Control it 1 system remote control included
- ✓ Available in Black or Silver finish
- ✓ Hi-Fi Stereo SET solutions also available

Stereo Box E £249.00 (UK SRP)

Available during November 2024

Stereo Box E in detail

The Stereo Box E is the ideal starter amplifier for music lovers who want to take their listening experience to a new level with true, high-quality stereo sound. Featuring an array of input and output options, the extensive connectivity on offer makes it an ideal hub regardless of your playback source.

Made to Perform

The circuitry within the Stereo Box E is purpose-designed for correct and proper hi-fi stereo enjoyment. Boasting fully analogue pre- and power-amplifier stages, there are no corners cut internally and the result is a pure signal transmission that keeps the original musical information intact.

Featuring seven different input options, the Stereo Box E is made to support practically any source device. For turntables, there is a built-in moving magnet (MM) phono stage, whereas for other traditional analogue sources, such as tape decks, there are RCA or 3.5mm jack inputs on offer. Elsewhere, the optical and coaxial S/PDIF inputs allow you to connect digital sources, such as streamers or CD transports, and benefit from the built-in high-resolution DAC. For wireless streaming, the Stereo Box E also boasts an aptX HD-compatible Bluetooth 5.0 input option.



The Stereo Box E's 21W per-channel output benefits from a low-noise amplifier design, inspired by higher-end products within the Pro-Ject electronics range. To further enhance your sound experience, there is also a dedicated subwoofer output. For private listening, the built-in headphone amplifier brings added convenience for desktop environments or for late-night listening when it is not appropriate to be running speakers. The addition of a 5V/1A USB C power output is a convenient solution if looking to integrate low-power, modern streamers into the system without having to run multiple power cables.

Easy to Use

The Stereo Box E is effortlessly simple to setup and use. Thanks to its array of inputs and clearly laid-out industrial design, once your components are connected to the relevant inputs and outputs, the Stereo Box E is ready to play your music in high-quality. Controlled via the front-panel, or using the supplied *Control it 1* system remote, the Stereo Box E will be a joy to live with for years to come.

Why Not Try a Set?

As a full-system manufacturer, Pro-Ject Audio Systems also offer pre-built system solutions, which combine complementary products into a ready-to-go hi-fi system, supplied in one box.

The Stereo Box E is available in two carefully matched Sets, exclusive to the UK market...

Stereo Set E1:



The Stereo Set E1 combines the Stereo Box E with the matching E1 turntable and a pair of Speaker Box 5E speakers for a ready-to-play turntable-based system that's easy to expand as you wish to add other sources. Available in Black or Walnut (shown) finish combinations.

UK SRP: £699.00

CD Set E:



The CD Set E combines the Stereo Box E with the matching CD Box E CD player and a pair of Speaker Box 3E Carbon speakers for a playback system that's reminiscent of traditional midi hi-fi systems. Supplied with a 25cm RCA cable, so the CD Box E can easily "stack" on the amplifier without excess wires getting in the way, this system is ready to play, and also easy to expand in the future.

UK SRP: £599.00

Stereo Box E Technical Information

Output Power: $2 \times 21W (8\Omega) / 2 \times 40W (4\Omega)$

Frequency Response (20 – 20,000Hz): < -0.3dB, -2.5dB @ 4 Ω SNR: 90dB ('A' Weighted)

Channel Separation: 60dB @1kHz

THD: < 0.12% @ 5W/4 Ω

Gain: 25dB

MM Phono Input: 1 x RCA Pair with Ground Screw
Line Level Inputs: 1 x RCA Pair, 1 x 3.5mm Jack

700mV Sensitivity / 20kΩ Impedance

Subwoofer Output: 1 x RCA

Bluetooth Input: Bluetooth 5.0, aptX HD, A2DP profile

Speaker Output: 4mm Banana plugs, Spade connectors or Bare wire

Included accessories: Control it 1 remote control

Power Supply: 20V / 3A DC

Power consumption: < 0.5W in standby

Dimensions (w x h x d): 206 x 51 x 115mm (186mm incl. connectors)

Weight: 2.0kg (excluding power supply)



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About Pro-Ject Audio Systems

Pro-Ject Audio Systems are widely recognised as one of the finest turntable manufacturers in the world. Their mission is simply to produce the best sounding analogue components at the most competitive prices possible. The current range spans a wide variety of price points, with a variety of products targeted to key demographics or to accommodate any of the modern listener's unique requirements.

Based in the Austrian countryside, Pro-Ject Audio Systems use specialised manufacturing partners in mainland Europe to produce their premium products.



About Henley Audio

Henley Audio has been importing and distributing industry-leading hi-fi equipment to the UK and Ireland since 1997. With a passion for great sound and a firm focus on brand integrity, we work to deliver excellence in both product and service.

Formed as the result of a management buy-out of Ortofon UK, Henley Designs Ltd. (trading as Henley Audio) operates in-house sales, marketing, service, support, and warehouse teams to offer the full turn-key solution for suppliers. The brands we represent are not only highly regarded in their own right, but they also share a symbiotic relationship with other brands in our portfolio.

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