

Product Announcement

Pro-Ject Debut EVO 2

The next generation

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The Debut is a true icon of the audio industry. Since its original introduction in the late 1990s, countless music lovers around the world have enjoyed a Debut turntable as part of their analogue journey. As a model, it is a true statement of affordable audiophilia.

Today, Pro-Ject Audio Systems are thrilled to officially unveil the next generation of their core Debut model – the Debut EVO 2 (£599.00 UK SRP). This latest release replaces the popular Debut Carbon EVO and draws on elements from the superior, award-winning Debut PRO design.



Within its refined, minimalist industrial design, the Debut EVO 2 benefits from a new cartridge, updated tonearm design, new platter and an improved chassis. Shipping in September 2024, it's available in 10 different finish options, including a new Satin Wine Red paint option (shown above).

Debut EVO 2 features include:

- ✓ **NEW** pre-adjusted Pick it MM EVO moving magnet cartridge made by Ortofon
- ✓ 8.6" one-piece conical carbon fibre tonearm
- ✓ **NEW** low-friction, precision tonearm bearing in an aluminium block
- ✓ **NEW** non-magnetic aluminium platter with TPE damping
- ✓ Motor suspension with better damping
- ✓ Precision belt drive system with electronic speed switch for 33 / 45 RPM speeds
- ✓ Height-adjustable metal feet
- ✓ **NEW** machined MDF chassis with almost no hollow space inside
- ✓ Available in 10 finishes, including eight-layer paint options or walnut veneer
- ✓ Premium semi-symmetrical Connect it E phono cable included
- ✓ Gold plated RCA output connectors
- ✓ Dust cover included
- ✓ Made in Europe

Debut EVO 2: £599.00 (SRP)

Available in the UK during September 2024

Debut EVO 2 *in detail*

The Debut EVO 2 is the ultimate first step into high-end vinyl playback. Designed to be effortless to set-up and use, it offers exceptional sound out of the box thanks to its premium components and class-leading build quality. However, it's also an extensively upgradeable turntable, for music lovers who want to journey further into their vinyl experience.

Made to Perform

The Debut EVO 2 stands out thanks to its premium carbon fibre tonearm. The 8.6" conical tube is super stiff and lightweight, allowing any attached cartridge to traverse the record groove efficiently, while also resisting any unwanted vibrations. The tonearm tube is mounted in a CNC-milled aluminium block with low-friction bearings.

The Debut EVO 2 is supplied with a pre-mounted Pick it MM EVO cartridge. Designed to perfectly suit the carbon fibre tonearm, both technically and aesthetically, the moving magnet cartridge was co-designed with experts at Ortofon, benefiting from the Danish company's advanced technologies and production processes.



Structurally, the Debut EVO 2 is most recognised by its expertly finished plinth, available in six satin paint options, three high gloss paint options or a real-wood walnut veneer. The minimalist rectangular footprint has a timeless elegance, and is made of MDF for its excellent anti-resonant properties, which are further enhanced by a new machining process that recesses the RCA junction box into the main chassis for further reduced hollow spaces within the turntable.

The premium belt-drive system features an in-house designed and manufactured AC drive motor, decoupled from the main chassis by TPE, powered by a sophisticated DC/AC power generator. This set-up allows for clean and stable power, resulting in excellent rotational stability and minimal vibrations. Speed change between 33 and 45 RPM is handled by a discrete power switch underneath the plinth. 78 RPM speed can be achieved with an optional pulley and drive belt change, available separately.



The drive system is completed by the sub-platter and the heavy damped aluminium main platter. The 1.7kg main platter is die-cast and precision balanced, before being completed with a ring of thermoplastic elastomer (TPE), to reduce unwanted resonances. The platter is also anti-magnetic, allowing for easy upgrades to moving coil cartridges in the future.

The turntable is finished by its three height-adjustable metal feet with TPE-damping in a sleek black finish. The result is a platform free from unwanted vibrations, ideally suited to record playback.

Easy to Use

The Debut EVO 2 is easy to set-up and use, and, once connected to a system with a moving magnet phono stage, will deliver a deeply impressive sonic performance with lots of detail and musical character. All that's left is to pick your preferred finish from the extensive list of options available.

The EVO 2 is supplied with the cartridge pre-installed, and includes a dust cover, felt mat and a semi-balanced Connect it E Phono RCA turntable interconnect in the box.



Pick Your Finish



High Gloss Black



High Gloss Red



High Gloss White



Satin Black



Satin Wine Red



Satin White



Satin Fir Green



Satin Golden Yellow



Satin Steel Blue



Acrylic dustcover included

Real Wood Walnut

Technical Information

Speeds:	33 / 45 RPM (<i>78 RPM requires separate accessory</i>)
Drive Principle:	Belt drive with electronic speed control
Platter:	300mm, die cast aluminium platter with TPE damping and felt mat
Main Bearing:	Stainless steel axle in bronze bushing
Wow & Flutter:	33: $\pm 0.16\%$ / 45: $\pm 0.14\%$
Speed Drift:	33: $\pm 0.40\%$; 45: $\pm 0.50\%$
Signal to Noise:	68dB
Tonearm:	8.6" one-piece carbon fibre tonearm
Effective Arm Length / Mass:	218.5mm / 10.0g
Overhang:	18.5mm
Included accessories:	15V DC / 0.8A power supply Dust Cover Drive Belt 7" Single Adapter Connect it E Phono Cable (RCA) Felt Mat
Power consumption:	4W / 0W standby
Dimensions (w x h x d):	415 x 113 x 320mm
Weight:	6.0kg net

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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.

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