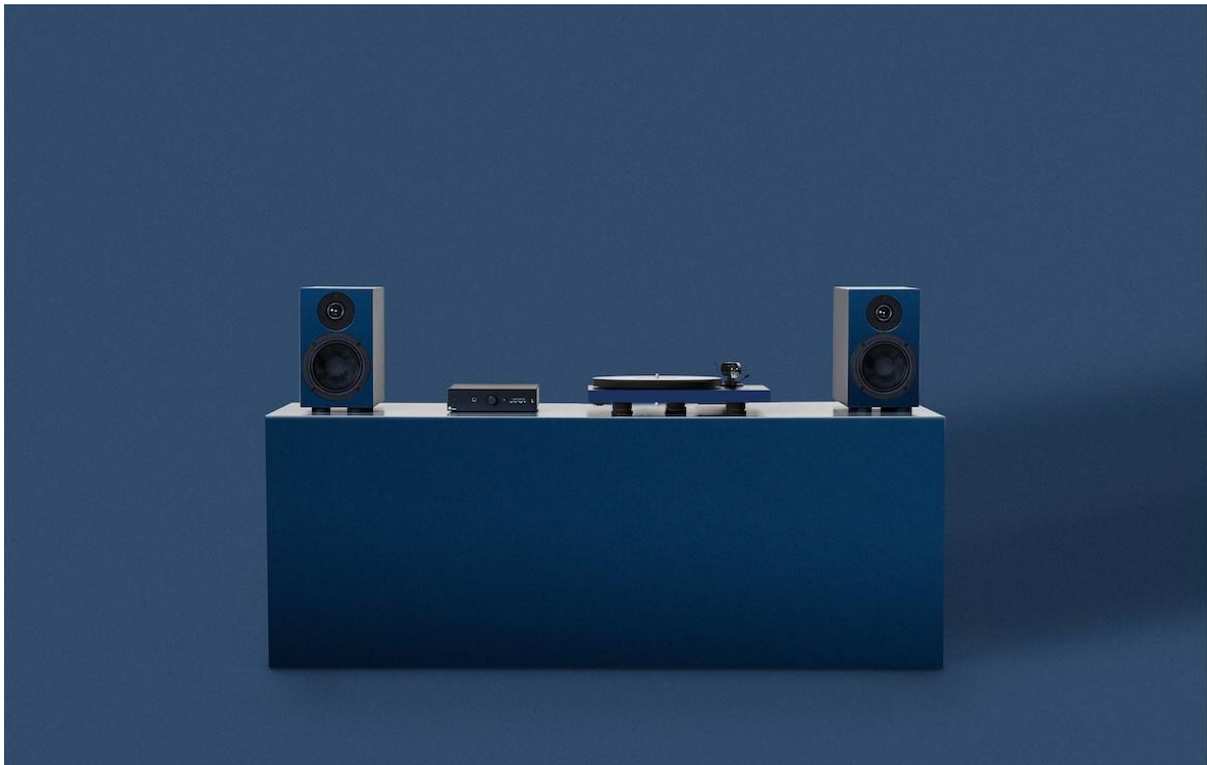


Product Announcement

Pro-Ject Unveils the Colourful Audio System 2 and Colourful Audio System E: Ready-made Setups for Vinyl Fans

Pro-Ject's packages deliver everything needed for a premium vinyl setup, combining vibrant aesthetics with high-performance sound.



Above: Colourful Audio System 2 in Steel Blue.

Didcot, Oxfordshire, UK – 20th February 2025 – Pro-Ject Audio Systems introduces the Colourful Audio System 2 and Colourful Audio System E – two complete hi-fi systems that make it easier than ever to enjoy fantastic stereo sound. Each system includes a turntable, amplifier, and stereo speakers, delivering high-performance hi-fi without the complexity of choosing and matching components.

Expert sound, effortless setup

It's widely acknowledged in hi-fi circles that a well-matched separate system – composed of a source, an amplifier, and a pair of speakers – delivers an incredibly lifelike listening experience. However, assembling the right components can feel overwhelming, especially when a turntable is involved. The Colourful Audio System 2 and Colourful Audio System E break down this barrier by providing expertly curated combinations of high-quality components, making true stereo sound and the wonder of vinyl immediately accessible.

Everything – including a cartridge and the necessary cables – arrives in one box for easy setup. The result? Specialist hi-fi performance without the complexity, plus – crucially – the flexibility to upgrade over time. The potential to upgrade the Colourful Audio Systems is a key advantage over many alternative systems, including all-in-one active speaker systems, where meaningful upgrades typically require replacing the entire set-up.

Two systems, multiple colours, stunning stereo sound

The **Colourful Audio System 2** comprises a **Debut EVO 2** turntable, a **MaiA S3** amplifier and a pair of **Speaker Box 5 S2** bookshelf speakers. The Debut EVO 2 is a stunning deck featuring a carbon fibre tonearm and a heavy, damped aluminium platter. It comes fitted with the excellent **Pick it MM EVO** cartridge. The S3 amplifier measures just 206 cm wide but packs a punch, delivering 40 watts of power per channel and accommodating eight inputs, including wireless Bluetooth and a phono stage. The set also includes Pro-Ject's **Damp it** rubber feet for optimal isolation of the speakers from the turntable and a pair of terminated **Connect it LS E** speaker cables. The MaiA amp comes in black, and the turntable and speakers are available in six satin finishes (Black, Fir Green, Golden Yellow, Steel Blue, White, and Wine Red), with Wine Red being exclusive to this system, as well as a Walnut real wood veneer.

The **Colourful Audio System E** pairs the **Debut E** turntable with the **Stereo Box E** amplifier and **Speaker Box 5 E Carbon** bookshelf speakers. Pro-Ject designed the Debut E turntable specifically for this package, and it is only available as part of the Colourful Audio System E. The new deck features a solid MDF plinth, aluminium tonearm, and **Ortofon OM5e** cartridge, while the Stereo Box E amplifier ticks off 40W per channel, six inputs, and Bluetooth streaming. The Speaker Box 5 E Carbon speakers feature a silk dome tweeter paired with a carbon fibre woofer for precise, dynamic sound. Like its counterpart, the Colourful Audio System E offers a choice of satin finishes (Black, Fir Green, Golden Yellow, Steel Blue, and White) plus a Walnut veneer option, with the amplifier finished in black.

Features of the Colourful Audio System 2 include:

High-end turntable with new Pick it MM EVO cartridge: The Debut EVO 2 features a one-piece 8.6" carbon tonearm for enhanced rigidity and resonance control.

Fully-loaded amplifier: The MaiA S3 includes eight inputs (analogue, digital, and Bluetooth 5.0) and supports aptX HD for high-resolution wireless streaming.

Speaker Box 5 S2 monitors: The bass-reflex design helps deliver a spacious sound.

Premium construction: A high-quality die-cast aluminium platter and acoustically optimised speaker enclosures ensure superior audio performance.

Handcrafted excellence: Handmade in Europe, with a choice of seven finishes.

Features of the Colourful Audio System E include:

Premium turntable with Ortofon OM5e cartridge: Features a high-quality 8.6" aluminium tonearm and steel platter for precise playback.

Versatile amplifier: Analogue, digital, and Bluetooth 5.0 inputs, plus subwoofer output.

Audiophile bookshelf speakers: The Speaker Box 5 E Carbon uses a 5" carbon fibre glass woofer and 1" silk dome tweeter for detailed, dynamic sound.

Compact yet powerful: Stereo Box E delivers 2 x 40W of power in a space-saving design.

Handmade in Europe: Built with high-quality materials and available in six finishes.

The Colourful Audio System 2 and Colourful Audio System E exemplify what is possible in affordable, premium audio systems. With a range of colours, handcrafted quality, and the ability to stream as well as play vinyl, they can transform how we listen to music. With two separate speakers that can be positioned properly, these systems deliver an incredibly natural soundstage. Owners also buy into the potential of upgrading, complete with the comfort of Pro-Ject's 25-year guaranteed spare part availability.

Whether a buyer is starting a hi-fi journey or upgrading, the Colourful Audio System 2 and Colourful Audio System E deliver superior stereo sound and system flexibility – far beyond the limits of speaker systems found in many homes.

Pricing & Availability:

- Pro-Ject Colourful Audio System 2: £1,799.00 (UK SRP).
- Pro-Ject Colourful Audio System E: £1,099.00 (UK SRP).
- Available in the UK from March 2025.
- Henley Audio is the exclusive distributor of Pro-Ject Audio Systems in the UK.

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Technical Information

	Colourful Audio System 2	Colourful Audio System E
Turntable	Pro-Ject Debut EVO 2	Pro-Ject Debut E
Speed	33, 45 (electronic)	33, 45, (78) (electronic)
Drive Principle	Belt drive, electronic speed control	Belt drive, electronic speed control
Platter	300 mm, die-cast aluminium	300 mm, steel
Platter Bearing	Stainless steel axle in bronze bushing	Stainless steel axle in bronze bushing
Wow & Flutter	33: $\pm 0.16\%$, 45: $\pm 0.14\%$	33: $\pm 0.22\%$, 45: $\pm 0.21\%$
Speed Drift	33: $\pm 0.40\%$, 45: $\pm 0.50\%$	33: $\pm 0.80\%$, 45: $\pm 0.85\%$
Signal to Noise	68dB	68dB
Tonearm	8.6" one-piece carbon	8.6" one-piece aluminium
Effective Arm Length	218.5 mm	218.5 mm
Overhang	18.5 mm	18.5 mm
Cartridge	Pick it MM EVO	Ortofon OM5e
Dimensions (WxHxD)	415 x 113 x 320 mm	415 x 113 x 320 mm
Weight	6 kg	5.5 kg
Amplifier	Pro-Ject MaiA S3	Pro-Ject Stereo Box E
Power Output	2x 40W @ 4 Ω (1% THD)	2x 40W @ 4 Ω (1% THD)
Frequency Response	< -0.5dB @ 4 Ω (20Hz-20kHz)	Not specified
Channel Separation	-69dB @ 10kHz	Not specified
Headphone Output	2x 75mW @ 32 Ω	Yes
Analogue Inputs	3x RCA, 1x phono MM	1x RCA, 1x 3.5mm, 1x Phono MM
Digital Inputs	RCA coax, 2x Toslink, Bluetooth 5.0	2x optical, 1x coaxial SPDIF, Bluetooth 5.0
Bluetooth Codec	aptX HD (24-bit, 48kHz)	aptX, aptX HD, A2DP
Standby Power Consumption	<0.5W	<0.5W
Dimensions (WxHxD)	206 x 55 x 153 mm	206 x 51 x 186 mm
Weight	1.07 kg	1.0 kg
Speakers	Pro-Ject Speaker Box 5 S2	Pro-Ject Speaker Box 5 E Carbon
Type	2-way bass reflex	2-way bass reflex
Nominal Impedance	8 Ω	4 Ω
Recommended Power	10 - 150W	10 - 150W
Frequency Response	55Hz - 20kHz	65Hz - 20kHz
Tweeter	1" silk dome	1" silk dome
Woofers	5" fibreglass	5" carbon fibreglass
Dimensions (WxHxD)	160 x 271 x 215 mm	165 x 270 x 220 mm
Weight	4.9 kg	4.76 kg

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About Pro-Ject Audio Systems

Pro-Ject Audio Systems is widely recognised as one of the finest turntable manufacturers in the world. Its 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 various 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 uses 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, it works 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 in order to offer the full turn-key solution for suppliers. The brands it represents 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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