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QX-8



Features

- Zero-feedback, fully-balanced discrete circuitry
- Ayre's Double-Diamond output stage
- AyreLock linear analog power supply
- Ayre's exclusive Equilock gain stage
- ESS ES9038Q2M DAC chip
- Custom Digital Clock
- Digital volume control
- Ayre's Minimum Phase digital filter
- Single-pass 16x oversampling
- Ayre's Asynchronous S/PDIF input
- Eight digital inputs: Ethernet, Asynchronous USB, AES/EBU, Optical (3), S/PDIF (2)
- Headphone Diamond output stage (3.5mm & 1/4" single-ended, 2 x 3.5mm for balanced)

Specifications

- Headphone Outputs
 - 9.0 Vrms balanced, 4.5 Vrms single-ended
- Audio Inputs
 - USB: 44.1 - 384 kHz
 - PCM 16 - 24 bits / DSD64 and DSD128 (as DoP)
 - Optical • S/PDIF • AES/EBU: 44.1-192 kHz
 - PCM 16 - 24 bits / DSD64 (as DoP)
 - Ethernet: 44.1 - 192 kHz
 - PCM 16 - 24 bits / DSD64 (as DoP)

Ayre QX-8: digital hub

The QX-8 Digital Hub is directly distilled from the internationally acclaimed QX-5 Twenty, bringing exclusive Ayre innovation and performance to a broader audience. The QX-8 retains all of Ayre's proprietary core technologies, including fully-balanced, zero-feedback analog circuitry, a custom digital filter that dramatically improves the sound quality of any resolution source, and Ayre's asynchronous S/PDIF-based inputs (patent pending) which eliminates interface jitter without disturbing the original musical data as conventional techniques do. Featuring both USB and Ethernet inputs for maximum flexibility and ease of use, the QX-8 is Roon-ready and includes the ability to directly stream Spotify, Tidal and Qobuz. There are many options for accessing music in the current digital world. The QX-8 will integrate into virtually any home system today and is designed to be upgradeable for inevitable future technologies. The QX-8 also allows you to immerse yourself in music with your favorite headphones. Taking full advantage of the robust AyreLock analog linear power supply, both balanced and unbalanced front panel connectors—driven by Ayre's exclusive Diamond amplifier circuit—will effortlessly drive the most demanding headphones. Ayre's innovations, neatly implemented in this affordable package, deliver musical authenticity like no other.

Shipping: Fall 2017

Price: To be determined