

The Wait is Over, TUK is Here!

Humble beginnings

Even though TUK is our most impressive speaker to-date, it had humble beginnings. The idea of TUK started with our Customer Support team. They kept a list of features and suggestions they curated from customers over a three-year period. Every time a customer mentioned something that they'd love to see in our speakers, our Support team added it to the list. This document was aptly named "perfect speaker.docx".

When our CEO, David Reid, decided to create a new speaker that could rival some of the best powered speakers available, he approached our Customer Support team to get a better sense of what kind of feature set it needed. David was given the "perfect speaker" document and got to work with our Product Design team on our next flagship speaker.

He already had a name in mind. In his words, "The name TUK comes from Tuktoyaktuk in Canada's Northwest Territories. The idea to name our latest speaker after Tuktoyaktuk was conceived two years ago when a permanent highway linking Tuktoyaktuk to Inuvik was opened. It's our way of celebrating the historic event."

It's the perfect name for a speaker that ended up being as dazzling as the aurora borealis which light up the night skies of the Canadian arctic.

How to create Kanto's perfect speaker

- Make it sound amazing**

Aluminum drivers were chosen for their stiffness and lightness which contribute to low distortion even at high volumes. AMT tweeters were selected for their accuracy and phenomenal dispersion characteristics. DSP was utilized to make it sound exactly how we wanted.
- Have it work with everything**

It needed to work well with turntables, computers, smart home devices, and as part of a home theatre. Inputs such as phono and USB, and features like a headphone-out and an active crossover were required to make the speaker work equally well in any setting.
- Give it stunning looks**

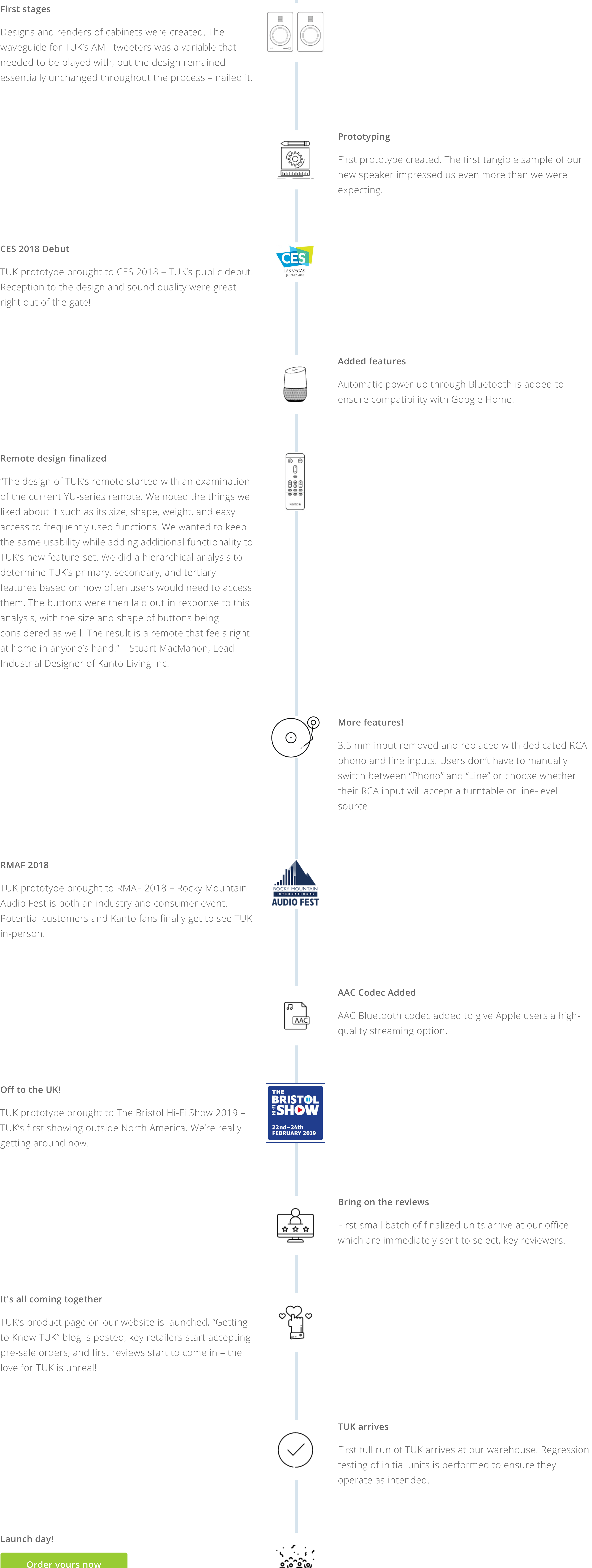
David's philosophy was to "...maintain the shape and proportion of our current speakers while doing something new." He wanted it to "have a clean look" and "minimize the number of controls on the speaker". That design philosophy would create something truly stunning.
- Sweat the small stuff**

It had to have unique, well thought-out features. Channel swap, LED brightness control, automatic power-up through the Bluetooth input. It's the little touches that often make the biggest difference.

With these design goals in mind, TUK was on its way from conception to reality.

The process

A list of wants and dreams isn't enough to create a speaker. There are many steps that need to be taken to bring a speaker to life. Here's a glimpse into the journey of TUK's development.



Hard work pays off

There were so many people involved in the development of TUK, and countless milestones were met to get to this point. In the words of our CEO, we're feeling "absolute excitement" with this release. Our efforts have paid off – culminating in our most anticipated product launch to date. We hope you love TUK as much as our reviewers do.

- "TUK delivers some of the best, most precise, most detailed high-end audio we've ever encountered."

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– Rob Boffard, The Master Switch
- "TUK will give you great background, casual, serious listening and monitoring; something that most speakers can't deliver"

– David Susilo, wifihifi
- "I was not expecting the sense of openness and air around the performers that the TUK delivered. I had to tell myself a few times that these were sub \$1000 speakers."

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– Gary Lea, positive feedback
- "Overall, TUK is a real winner. Kanto has done a fantastic job of creating one of the most dynamic and engaging powered speakers we have heard in a long time."

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– Jonathan Stephens, Audio Advice



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