

BRINKMANN

Taurus

Ultimate Direct Drive Turntable



About Brinkmann

For Brinkmann, "High Fidelity" stands as the ultimate pinnacle of achievable sound reproduction. Simply put, there is nothing better than "High Fidelity": after all, a facsimile can never sound better than the original. While some will argue that perfect music playback is an illusion. Helmut Brinkmann however, leaves nothing to chance as he works on perfecting this illusion, thus making music playback as real as possible.





More than a decade ago, Brinkmann inaugurated the Direct Drive Renaissance with the introduction of Oasis

The first thoroughly modern direct drive turntable, Oasis partnered Helmut Brinkmann's bespoke, proprietary motor with a massive platter, „Soft“ speed control and the myriad engineering flourishes which define Brinkmann Audio's design ethos. Oasis combined the extreme pitch accuracy and durability of the best direct drive systems with levels of musicality and liquidity which had previously been the exclusive domain of belt drive. Brinkmann's legendary Bardo soon followed and has been their best-selling turntable ever since.

Over the past few years, Brinkmann developed the versatile Spyder, effected evolutionary improvements to their epochal Balance and introduced Nyquist, widely considered the world's finest Digital-to-Analog Converter. The lessons learned creating these state-of-the-art components suggested ways in which Brinkmann could advance their direct drive concept to a higher level of performance.

Brinkmann proudly introduces Taurus: the finest direct drive turntable they know how to build.



Bespoke, magnetic field motor

Like Oasis and Bardo, Taurus features Brinkmann's bespoke, magnetic field motor, built to Brinkmann's proprietary design specifications. Their unique „Soft“ speed control and platter are likewise retained; however, that's where the similarities end.

Duraluminum chassis

Built on a massive 40mm thick Duraluminum chassis inspired by Balance, Taurus delivers deeper, more visceral bass combined with the dynamic agility and forward drive which characterize all Brinkmann direct drive turntables.

Resonance-optimised chassis

Taurus' chassis has been resonance-optimized to banish mechanical noise and enable the deep-black background for which Brinkmann turntables are renowned.

Wireless speed selection

In a further homage to their statement turntable, Taurus offers wireless speed selection via an engraved aluminum disc reminiscent of Balance's hard-wired control.

Proprietary collar system

Balance wasn't the only inspiration for Taurus. The development of Spyder; specifically, the ability to easily add or remove tonearms, prompted Brinkmann to develop a proprietary „Collar System“ which enables their newest turntable to easily convert from a one-arm to a two-arm system and vice-versa. Virtually all tonearms from 9" to 12" length are accommodated.

Performance Power Supply

Like all Brinkmann turntables—both direct- and belt-drive—Taurus is equipped with their „Performance Power Supply“ (Brinkmann „RöNt“ Vacuum Tube Supply is an optional upgrade) and Crystal glass mat, which both facilitates cleaning and improves audio performance.

Is Taurus the Baby Brother of the Balance or the Big Brother of the Bardo?

You decide. Either way, Taurus defines the ultimate in direct drive turntable technology.

Further information

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Brinkmann Taurus Specifications

Tonearm bases

Available for virtually all tonearms of 9" to 12" length. Brinkmann's Proprietary "Collar System" facilitates exchange and adjustment of tonearms.

Drive

Platter driven directly by magnetic field motor with "Soft" proportional speed control

Power supply

External "Performance" solid state power supply (Standard). RöNt vacuum tube power supply (Optional).

Bearing

Lubricated precision, hydrodynamic journal bearing is quiet and maintenance-free

Platter

Massive, 10 kg Alloy Platter with recess-mounted, Planar-polished Crystal glass mat facilitates cleaning and improves performance

Chassis

40 mm Duraluminum with resonance-optimized geometry

Connectors

RCA, XLR or feed-through keyway for tonearms with 5-pin DIN connectors

Dimensions

420 x 320 x 100 mm (w x d x h)

Weight Total

22 kg (Chassis 12 kg, Platter 10 kg); Power Supply 3.2 kg

Optional Accessories

Granite Base, Custom HRS Isolation Base, RöNt Tube Power Supply.

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