



# THE SOURCE



We know how important music is to you, which is why Linn makes it as easy as possible for you to build your dream system. Perhaps you are considering buying your

first quality music system, or you want to plan a home cinema, or even access music throughout your home. With our help, you can decide where to begin no matter what your requirement, with full confidence that every Linn product you buy will take you a step closer to fulfilling your dream.

The basic rules of building a system have never changed - you should always start with the best possible source. No matter how good the rest of your system might be, the quality of your source product, whether that be a turntable, disc player or music download, dictates the performance of the whole system. Musical information 'lost' at the source is lost forever, so it makes sense to start at the beginning.

In this issue we present three different ways for you to achieve the sound you want. Our award winning Majik System is a great place to start if you are seeking a premium quality music system. The performance of our Akurate System is simply better, offering exceptional performance from a versatile range of distinctive products. And for those of you who want to experience sound reproduction nirvana, we feature our Klimax System which will simply astound you with musical bliss.

Whatever your requirement and wherever you choose to start, a Linn system can evolve over a lifetime, so you can always buy with confidence. Linn customers already know it is wise to start with a specialist retailer who stocks the brand you trust. So please read on, and happy listening. ■

*Rupert King*

CHAIRMAN & MANAGING DIRECTOR



■ The award winning Linn Majik System



■ Akurate 2200 power amplifier

## GO AKTIV THIS SUMMER!

From May to August this year we can help you get the most out of your system by making it easier for you to go Aktiv.

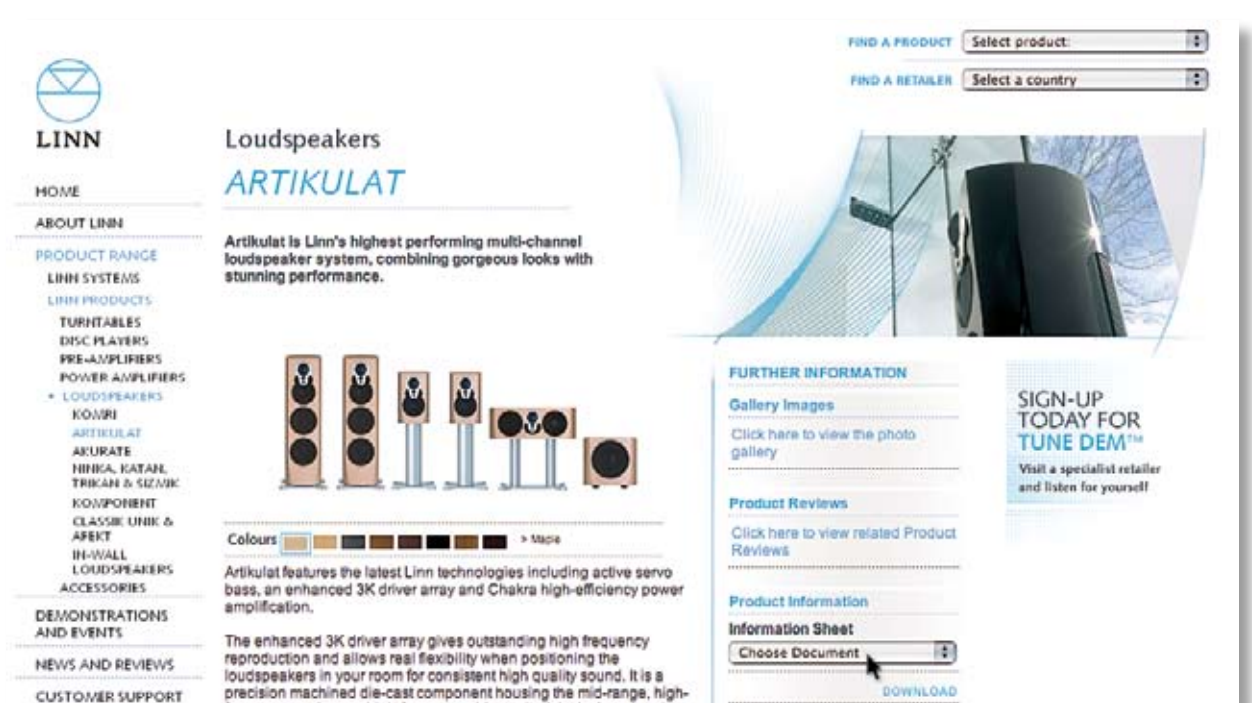
Going Aktiv maximises the performance of your system by ensuring the drive units in your loudspeaker get precisely the information they are meant to receive.

For those not yet familiar with the term Aktiv, let us explain. The majority of loudspeakers are passive, which means a single amplifier powers all the drive units in the loudspeaker, and a 'filter' divides up the signal into bass, mid and treble frequencies. When you go Aktiv, the individual drive units are powered by their own dedicated power amplifier, ensuring that the drive unit gets exactly the information it is meant

to have. In an Aktiv configuration, no musical information is 'lost' or distorted and this leads to a significant improvement in sound quality.

From 15 May to 15 August, when you purchase an Akurate 2200, 3200 or 4200 power amplifier and Majik 2100, 3100, 4100, 5100 or 6100 power amplifiers, you will receive the required number of Aktiv cards to upgrade your system at no additional cost.

This is a great opportunity to go Aktiv with your Linn system. To hear the difference going Aktiv makes, complete the enclosed card or contact your Linn retailer to book a personal demonstration. ■



■ The new Linn website - detailed information on all Linn products making it easier to choose a system that's right for you

## www.linn.co.uk

We have recently launched a new Linn website with simpler navigation and a clearer view of our full product range. Whether you want in-depth product information and specifications, or a simple overview of our recommended systems, our new website will provide you with the best information to help you choose.

Complete with the latest product reviews, general tips

and practical advice, the website also incorporates an easy to follow guide to multi-room systems and information on Linn events in your local area. You can even sign up to receive regular email updates direct to your inbox.

Make sure you visit [www.linn.co.uk](http://www.linn.co.uk) regularly to get all the latest Linn news and event information. ■



# REDISCOVER MUSIC



■ The Linn Majik System - for people who are passionate about music

In our local Scots dialect, people use the word 'magic' to describe things that are really special. We first used the word Majik in the early 1990s to name a very flexible integrated amplifier that we thought was really special. Thousands of you agreed and it went on to become a best seller for over 13 years. For many, Majik was the first Linn product they owned and it became the heart of their first premium hi-fi system.

Last year, as we prepared to launch our latest separates system, the choice of name was obvious - the new Linn Majik System, designed for people who are passionate about their music and the perfect choice for those ready to upgrade their existing separates system.

The new Majik System comprises the Majik CD player, Majik Kontrol pre-amplifier and Majik 2100 power amplifier, with each individual component designed to deliver exceptional sound quality from stereo music. Altogether they offer a leap in performance that is simply astonishing and must to be heard to be believed. You can even connect a turntable to enjoy those favourite vinyl records and rediscover how great your collection can sound.

The new Majik System offers you the flexibility to select the Linn loudspeakers which best suit your requirements. Whether you choose stylish Komponenten, compact Katans, or elegant floor-standing Ninka loudspeakers, you will have a system that looks great and can be easily upgraded in the future for even better sound quality, and used as part of a Linn Knekt multi-room system.

To find out more, visit [www.linn.co.uk/majiksystem](http://www.linn.co.uk/majiksystem) or simply complete the enclosed reply card to arrange your personal demonstration. ■

## A 'MUST HAVE' FOR LK OWNERS

**The enthralling sound quality achieved by each of the new Majik System components makes them a 'must have' upgrade for owners of Linn's tried and tested range of LK components.**

**Having stood the test of time, the flexibility of LK components allows them to be re-deployed elsewhere in your home and their high resale value also means you can trade them in at your retailer when upgrading if you wish.**

**Linn products retain more value than any other brand thanks to their performance, longevity, reliability and extended warranties. Ask your retailer how they can help you upgrade your system and 'rediscover Majik'. ■**



■ The new Linn Akurate System

# THE SOUND OF DREAMS

Available from June 2007, the new Akurate System delivers dreamlike sound and is the natural choice for music lovers who want exceptionally compelling performance.

Incorporating the Akurate CD player, Akurate Tuner, Akurate Kontrol pre-amplifier and Akurate 2200 power amplifier, the system lets you access CD and higher quality DVD Audio and Super Audio CD recordings, which can be enjoyed in regular stereo or surround sound with the addition of further loudspeakers. With the new Akurate Tuner, the Akurate System is also the perfect way to experience FM, AM and Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB).

You can even connect other music sources to an Akurate System, such as a turntable, to hear your vinyl sounding better than ever, as well as digital sources, or enjoy great sound quality throughout your home as part of a Linn Knekt multi-room system.

The elegant Akurate loudspeaker range enables you to hear your music through either compact bookshelf, stand-mounted, or floor-standing loudspeakers, all finished in a range of quality real wood veneers to complement your décor. For the ultimate individual look, we even offer a custom finish option which gives you the freedom to specify a finish unique to your home.

The new Linn Akurate System is the logical next step for Linn enthusiasts who have invested in Karik, Numerik, Kremlin, Kairn, Klout and Keltik components.

Experience sound you will dream about at Linn Music Specialists worldwide from June 2007. For more details, including specifications, visit [www.linn.co.uk/akuratesystem](http://www.linn.co.uk/akuratesystem) or complete the enclosed reply card to arrange your personal demonstration. ■

# FULL RANGE IN-WALL LOUDSPEAKERS THAT SOUND GREAT



■ Three variants of the Linn Custom 2K range

Many people want the exceptional sound of a Linn system throughout their home without necessarily having to use free-standing loudspeakers in every room. To suit this need Linn have developed a new range of in-wall loudspeakers called Custom 2K - the best sounding in-wall or ceiling loudspeaker on the market. Now you can have a most involving music and movie experience from a great in-wall system that offers performance equal to great free-standing loudspeakers.

With a robust surround and grille that can be painted to blend with any décor, Custom 2K loudspeakers can be used in a hi-fi, home theatre or multi-room system to deliver superb results from an almost invisible package.

Linn technology ensures that Custom 2K loudspeakers will sound fantastic anywhere in your home. The proprietary '2K driver array', which is derived from our top performing reference loudspeakers, allows greater placement freedom because it disperses sound widely and evenly throughout a room.

The professional installer's choice, these special products are ideal for domestic installations, yacht interiors and commercial applications. Available in three full range variants to suit every situation, the Custom 2K range can be used along with any of our other 2K or 3K array free-standing loudspeakers, and also in Aktiv configuration to perform at their very best. Visit [www.linn.co.uk/custom2k](http://www.linn.co.uk/custom2k) for more details. ■

# WHEN ONLY THE VERY BEST WILL DO

For some of us there are times when only the very best will do.

The Klimax name is associated with Linn's greatest achievements, and the stunning Klimax music system delivers nothing short of musical bliss.

The Klimax System starts with the latest variant of the legendary Sondek LP12 turntable, and includes the acclaimed Klimax Kontrol pre-amplifier and gorgeous Aktiv Artikulat loudspeakers. The Klimax System can form part of a Linn Knekt multi-room system to let you enjoy your music throughout your home.

Perfect for the style conscious, Aktiv Artikulat loudspeakers benefit from dedicated power amplifiers

integrated within the loudspeaker cabinet which not only achieves a superior sound, but also means fewer components and minimal cabling. The gorgeous, sculpted Artikulat loudspeakers come in a range of satin or high gloss real wood finishes, and for those seeking a more individual look, can be customised to your own special choice of finish.

To experience the sheer musical bliss that is the Linn Klimax System contact your Linn retailer for a personal demonstration.

For further information, including detailed specifications, visit [www.linn.co.uk/klimaxsystem](http://www.linn.co.uk/klimaxsystem) or complete the enclosed reply card to arrange a personal demonstration.



■ The gorgeous Artikulat 350A loudspeaker in a high gloss black finish

## SUPER EVOLUTION OF THE ULTIMATE LP12 TURNTABLE

To pick up the music on an LP recording the diamond stylus follows the record grooves for information stored in the groove walls - movements so minute that they are measured in microns. If you then scale the 'groove world' up to feet and inches things really start to get pretty hair-raising. Suddenly imagine yourself in a deep crevice. The walls are undulated. Approaching at an alarming speed is a bobsled. As it hurtles through the passage it has to pick up tiny pieces of information. The bobsled is of course the stylus, and to pick up a deep organ note it has to swerve 10 feet 6 inches: for a high violin note it's less than an inch.

This difference is staggering in itself but even more so when you stop to consider that the stylus is travelling at 6 miles per second and the pivot point of the cantilever controlling it is 4 miles away.

By thinking in these terms you see how easy it is to lose critical information.

Until its launch in 1972, people thought the loudspeakers were the most important part of a hi-fi system. The introduction of the Sondek LP12 revolutionised the industry by proving that the source of the music was by far the most significant factor in the performance of any system.

Since then every Linn turntable has been precision engineered and hand built to extract more music from vinyl records than was thought possible. The same precision engineering approach is applied to every aspect of Linn's new LP12 SE upgrades, bringing a revelation in turntable performance.

Comprising the Ekos SE tonearm, Keel sub-chassis, armboard and collar, and Trampolin metal base board, each upgrade in the set delivers the highest performance from any turntable product ever produced by Linn.

You can learn more about these upgrades by visiting [www.linn.co.uk/LP12SE](http://www.linn.co.uk/LP12SE) or by completing the enclosed reply card to arrange a personal demonstration. ■



■ Keel sub-chassis, armboard and collar



■ The Sondek LP12 SE upgrades - a revelation in turntable performance

## HEAR THE DIFFERENCE

Our exciting LP12 SE upgrades are now available for immediate demonstration at expert Linn Turntable Specialists worldwide where you will have the opportunity to experience and judge the performance improvements for yourself.

A Linn Turntable Specialist will also be able to review your own turntable which can be serviced and upgraded to take advantage of the new levels of LP12 performance now available. ■

## ONE IS NOT ENOUGH

So called 'subwoofer' loudspeakers are considered a vital part of most home theatre systems but, perhaps not surprisingly, few feature in genuine music systems because they mostly only add loud, moderately deep and monotonous sound.



Instead of this type of loudspeaker, Linn has developed a range of pitch accurate bass reinforcement loudspeakers that enhance and extend the power and range of your music or movie experience by maintaining the correct frequency balance, even at high volumes. While one Linn bass reinforcement loudspeaker will improve the performance of a system, you really should listen to a system with two or more to hear the most accurate and involving sound.

Contact your Linn retailer to personally experience the difference a pair of Linn bass reinforcement loudspeakers can make to your system. You will be amazed by the improvement when you add an extra Linn bass unit. ■



■ From top: Artikulat 345; Akurate 221; Komponent 120



■ The new Linn Records website

# www.linnrecords.com

In another first, Linn Records is offering the world's highest quality music download service from their website [www.linnrecords.com](http://www.linnrecords.com). Now, demanding music lovers can browse, download and enjoy recorded music at a previously unattainable standard.

For those passionate about their music, the advent of downloading has so far proved a mixed experience, with desirable convenience coming at the considerable expense of sound quality. Our new website gives you access to original Linn recordings in the form of studio master files for 24-bit precision studio sound that goes far beyond regular 16-bit CD quality.

"We are leading the way in the delivery of high quality digital music to give our customers the convenience of digital downloads without having to compromise on sound quality" said Caroline Dooley, Head of Linn Records.

The new Linn Records website also offers 16-bit CD and 320-kbps high quality MP3 downloads plus worldwide delivery of our extensive vinyl and CD catalogue of jazz, classical and folk music. Linn downloads can play on portable hand-held music players as well as PCs and performance hi-fi systems. You can listen to selected tracks or download test files to check for compatibility before buying.

## MORE PROTECTION FOR YOUR SOUND INVESTMENT

Our outstanding products attract the most discerning customers, and people who demand the best also seek confidence from first class service and extended warranty cover to ensure their complete peace of mind.

Customers who love music have built our business and we always strive to look after them with products and service that match their expectations, so we have now made the warranty on Linn products transferable. If you buy a product

### NEW RELEASES

To celebrate the release of the LP12 SE upgrades, Linn Records is introducing some new LP pressings on top quality 180g vinyl. Titles that are available include:

- Carol Kidd, Carol Kidd
- Carol Kidd, All My Tomorrows
- Claire Martin, Too Darn Hot!

Further titles will be available later in 2007.



'He never mentioned love' is Claire Martin's twelfth album and is a stylish tribute to the late and legendary American singer Shirley Horn. This is perhaps Claire's finest recording to date and will be available to purchase from 4 June, however it can be downloaded now at [www.linnrecords.com](http://www.linnrecords.com).



'Hallelujah!' Our recording of Handel's Messiah has received an enormous amount of attention from radio, press and at Linn demonstrations. Be sure to include this album in your collection – available now in beautiful packaging as a double CD (SACD hybrid) or to download from [www.linnrecords.com](http://www.linnrecords.com).

Register online at [www.linnrecords.com](http://www.linnrecords.com) to keep up to date about our latest releases and to find out more about our artists. ■

whose original owner registered its purchase with Linn, it can now be transferred simply to your name for any remaining warranty cover.

This development supports the unrivalled resale value of Linn products and will give even more peace of mind to subsequent owners. Most Linn products are covered by our 2 year warranty, which you can extend to up to 5 years – free of charge – simply register your purchase with Linn on line at [www.linn.co.uk/warranty\\_registration](http://www.linn.co.uk/warranty_registration). ■

## PROVEN AT SEA A VERY SPECIAL SYSTEM

The robust, compact and lightweight nature of Linn's products makes them ideal for marine installations, and one of the most recent installations to benefit from a full Linn system is the 65m Benetti superyacht, MY Ambrosia.

MY Ambrosia is truly incredible; at 65m in length and with six deck levels, she is the largest and most technologically advanced Benetti superyacht to date. She features Linn's high performance Knekt system throughout – an installation carried out by expert Marine Installers who have been specifying and installing Linn for over 8 years.

Every aspect of the system blends perfectly with the Art Deco-themed interior, with many components integrated into custom-designed furniture and on-board fittings, providing supreme performance from a discreet system. The main saloon features a high performance Linn home theatre system with Aktiv loudspeakers custom-built into the furniture, creating a wonderfully involving music and movie experience from an almost invisible system.

The Knekt system enables full access and control by multiple users, and for complete ease of use, all on-board entertainment sources are accessible from one simple control. CD players, music on hard disk, home theatre and satellite TV are all shared and enjoyed via intuitive touchscreens which have been specially programmed for the specific needs of the owner. Every cabin has individual access to music from CD, radio, satellite or the central Kivor music library.

The Knekt system integrates seamlessly with other on-board electronics, including a video server, lighting controls, satellite antennae and a powerful camera system.

A very special system for a very special superyacht. ■



■ Benetti's 65m MY Ambrosia

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