

True Colours Industries

Python II speaker cable



MARKETED AS A no-compromise reference-grade speaker cable, the Python II is available as a standard pre-terminated stereo cable and also as a 4-conductor pre-terminated bi-wire. It uses aerospace-grade silver-plated, oxygen-free special copper alloy conductors for both the signal and return wires. Each wire has a PE primary insulation plus a PVC external insulation. It has an 11mm diameter round profile and the external sheath is a polyester braid jacket featuring a distinctive helical white-spotted stripe. My review sample is 3m and terminated with gold-plated Z/banana plugs.

I connect the Python II between my valve monoblocks and transmission line speakers. Starting off with a direct-cut LP from Chasing The Dragon of Rimsky Korsakov's *Capriccio Espagnol* performed by the National Symphony Orchestra, the

finale is delivered with power and energy. The clarity of each instrument really shines through and the imaging is superb. The music is very involving and sounds very real in my room.

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I then spin Barbra Streisand's *You Don't Bring Me Flowers* to see how well the Python II handles vocals. Streisand's voice is well positioned in front of the orchestral backing, which is sparkling and clear. The sensitive emotions are brilliantly conveyed in the opening section and when Streisand winds up the volume as the song progresses, the overall sound is quite spectacular. There is no trace of brashness to her voice, just soaring energy.

I finish off with some baroque music and a performance of Vivaldi's *Concerto No.7* from his Opus 7 collection played by I Musici with



Heinz Holliger on the oboe. Holliger's playing in the first movement is both lively and exciting. Once again, I am struck by the excellent realism and clarity of the performance, and the instruments are very clearly defined within the soundstage.

To summarise, the Python II is a smart-looking speaker cable that is well made and delivers a really great sound to your speakers. **NR**

DETAILS

PRICE
£26 per metre for a stereo cable or £50 per metre for a bi-wire cable

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