Product Announcement

Pro-Ject Debut PRO S

A new versatile Debut model with an S-Shape tonearm

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After a first reveal at the popular Munich High End show in May 2022, Pro-Ject Audio Systems are now delighted to officially unveil the Debut PRO S (SRP £799.00), a new model that joins the Debut PRO as a premium solution for vinyl lovers.

The Debut PRO S benefits from many of the advancements made with the highly praised Debut PRO, yet adds features to suit turntable-based audio systems where changing between cartridges is a necessary requirement. Based around a new 10" S-Shape tonearm with SME-style headshell fitting, this latest Debut model is great for listeners with diverse music collections.



Debut PRO S features include:

- ✓ **NEW** Pre-adjusted Pick-IT S2 C cartridge in black finish
- ✓ NEW 10" S-Shape aluminium tonearm with adjustable VTA and SME headshell connector
- ✓ **NEW** bigger Debut chassis to accommodate the larger tonearm
- ✓ Precision aluminium platter with TPE damping
- ✓ Diamond-cut aluminium sub-platter
- ✓ TPE motor suspension system
- ✓ Precision belt drive system
- ✓ Height-adjustable metal feet
- ✓ Discrete electronic speed change rocker switch (support for 33, 45 and 78 RPM playback)
- ✓ Eight-layer hand-painted MDF chassis in elegant Satin Black finish
- ✓ Premium semi-symmetrical Connect-IT E phono cable included
- ✓ Gold plated RCA output connectors
- ✓ Dust cover included
- ✓ Handmade in Europe

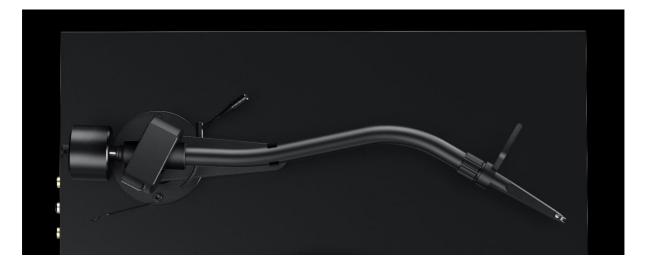
Debut PRO: £799.00 (SRP)

Available in the UK from September 2022 in Satin Black finish

Debut Pro S *in detail*

The Debut PRO S is designed for mindful music listeners. Those who want to interact with their vinyl intimately, and who seek to achieve a high-performance sound worthy of far more expensive record playing systems.

The Debut PRO S takes the basic Debut design but expands on it with a new 10" S-Shape tonearm, which fundamentally changes the nature of the turntable. First, the new tonearm features an aluminium tube mounted into a precision milled bearing housing, which sits on top of a mounting plate that allows for VTA adjustment – facilitating an advanced level of turntable set-up. It also boasts an SME-type connector for easy switching between headshells – allowing you to build a collection of cartridges that suit different musical styles or types of records. The Debut PRO S is supplied with the Pro-Ject Pick-IT S2 C cartridge pre-installed for great stereo sound straight out of the box.



As a result of the new tonearm, the Debut PRO S also features a larger MDF main chassis. Like other Debut models this is machine-made to provide a stable, inert base for the turntable to perform. The traditional rectangular footprint has a timeless minimalism, finished in a luxurious satin black paint, masking its clever anti-resonance properties.

The in-house designed and manufactured AC drive motor is made to fine tolerances for minimal noise, but to further eliminate any potential interference the motor is decoupled from the main chassis by a mounting plate with TPE-damped fixing points. The mounting plate isolates the motor while still keeping it perfectly level with the sub-platter drive system for absolute speed stability. The turntable plinth also sits on three height-adjustable metal feet with TPE-damping. The result is a platform free from unwanted vibrations, ideally suited to record playback.

The Debut PRO S is equipped to play 33 and 45 RPM records with a simple flick of the hidden rocker switch, underneath the chassis. When setting to 45 RPM playback and replacing the drive belt with the included round belt on the larger pulley ring, the turntable can also play 78 RPM records. As well as bringing convenience to the overall design, the speed control system also ensures the motor rotation is electronically regulated for total accuracy and stability.

The motor drives a sub-platter system for a more elegant overall aesthetic. The heavy, diamond cut aluminium sub-platter is mounted into a precision-engineered main bearing with bronze bushing. The sub-platter sits beneath the heavy aluminium platter, which has a ring of TPE damping, held in place by an additional stabilising ring of aluminium, effectively damping all resonances. The high mass of

the overall platter assembly minimises the effects of wow and flutter for a cleaner sonic performance and exceptional musical timing.



Intensive research, development and listening tests have been necessary to gain the exact sound that Pro-Ject were looking for in producing the Debut PRO S. By adding more unique features than ever before to a Debut design, the result is a still-affordable turntable that offers unrivalled flexibility at the price point.

Supplied with the Pick-IT S2 C cartridge pre-installed, all the accessories you need, a dust cover and a Connect-IT E phono cable in the box, the Debut PRO S is ready to play once it's connected to a hi-fi system with a moving magnet phono stage.

Technical Information

Speeds:	33 / 45 / 78 RPM (78 RPM requires manual adjustment)
Drive Principle:	Belt drive with electronic speed control
Platter:	300mm, die cast aluminium platter with TPE damping and felt mat
Wow & Flutter:	33 = 0.16% / 45 = 0.14%
Speed Drift:	33: +/-0.40%; 45: +/-0.50%
Signal to Noise:	68dB
Tonearm:	10.0" s-shape aluminium tonearm
Effective Arm Length / Mass:	254mm / 8.0g
Overhang:	16.0mm
Included accessories:	15V DC / 0.8A power supply
	Dust Cover
	Standard Flat Belt / 78 RPM Round Belt
	7" Single Adapter
	Connect-IT E Phono Cable (RCA)
	Felt Mat
Power consumption:	4W / 0W standby
Dimensions (w x h x d):	462 x 145 x 345mm
Weight:	7.0kg net

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About Pro-Ject Audio Systems

Pro-Ject Audio Systems are widely recognised as one of the finest turntable manufacturers in the world. Their mission is simply to produce the best sounding analogue components at the most competitive prices possible. The current range spans a huge variety of price points, with a variety of products targeted to key demographics or to accommodate any of the modern listener's unique requirements.

Based in the Austrian countryside, Pro-Ject Audio Systems use specialised manufacturing partners to produce all their products, and the entire turntable range is assembled with great skill, care, and attention in the Czech Republic.



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