Product Manual

SPINBASE MAX





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WARNING

DO NOT OPEN TO PREVENT THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NO REMOVE COVER. NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.



This symbol alerts the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.



This symbol is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

Important Safety Instructions

- 1. Read these instructions.
- 2. Keep these instructions.
- 3. Heed all warnings.
- 4. Do not use this apparatus near water.
- 5. Clean only with dry cloth.
- Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- 8. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized or grounding-type plug. A polarized plug has two blades with one wider than the other. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The wide blade or the third prong are provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.
- 9. Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
- Use only with the cart, stand, tripod, bracket or table specified by the manufacturer, or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart/apparatus combination to avoid injury from tip-over.
- 11. Unplug this apparatus during lighting storms or when not used for long periods of time.
- 12. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.
- The apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing and that no objects filled with liquids, such as vases, shall be placed on the apparatus.

- 14. Do not install this apparatus in a bookcase or similar unit.
- 15. The apparatus draws nominal non-operating power from the AC outlet when in standby.
- The apparatus should be located close enough to the AC outlet so that you can easily grasp the power cord plug at any time.
- 17. To completely disconnect the power input, the rear panel power connection may be removed.
- 18. Excessive sound pressure from earphones and headphones can cause hearing loss.

Additional Safety Advice

- 1. Keep surrounding objects at least four inches away from the apparatus for adequate ventilation.
- Ventilation openings on the apparatus should not be impeded by such items as newspaper, cloths, curtains, and the like.
- Do not place naked flame sources near the apparatus, such as lighted candles.
- 4. Dispose of internal electronics in accordance with local safety and environmental regulations.
- 5. Do not operate the apparatus at a temperature less than 36° F / 2° C or greater than 100° F / 38° C.

Caution

- DO NOT REMOVE THE EXTERNAL ENCLOSURE PARTS TO EXPOSE THE ELECTRONICS. NO USER SERVICEABLE PARTS ARE INSIDE.
- IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING PROBLEMS WITH THIS PRODUCT, CONTACT ANDOVER AUDIO CUSTOMER SUPPORT. DO NOT USE THE PRODUCT UNTIL IT HAS BEEN REPAIRED.

FCC STATEMENT FOR THE U.S.A.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits of part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications, However there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- · Reorient or relocate the equipment.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment to an AC outlet of a different mains circuit from the main circuit/outlet providing power to the receiver.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.
- Changes or modification to this equipment not expressly approved by Andover for compliance will void the user's warranty.

Caution

Changes or modification to this equipment not expressly approved by Andover for compliance will void the user's warranty. This product can be recycled. Products bearing this symbol must NOT be thrown away with normal household waste. At the end of the product's life, take it to a collection point designated for recycling of electrical and electronic devices. Find out more about return and collection points through your local authority.

The European Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive was implemented to dramatically reduce the amount of waste going to landfills, thereby reducing the environmental impact on the planet and on human health. Please act responsibly by recycling used products. If this product is still usable, consider giving it away or selling it.



Introduction

We're really pleased that you have chosen SpinBase MAX. It is all you need to enjoy great sound from your Turntable, Bluetooth device, and any wired analog source you may wish to add. Combining SpinBase MAX with an Andover SpinDeck Turntable creates a simple high performance playback system that is easy to set up, sounds great and is a snap to use.

If you need somewhere to put your SpinBase MAX, we also offer a matching SpinStand that provides a solid platform your system while providing storage for up to 150 LP's.

Your SpinBase MAX is complete as-is, but also offers expansion options thanks to its Line-Level audio outputs which may be used for additional powered speakers or a subwoofer. It also features Bluetooth transmission to headphones or any Bluetooth receiver.

Adding a Songbird series WiFi Streaming adapter (sold separately) will give your SpinBase MAX access to the Worldwide Web of High Resolution entertainment from the most popular streaming services and internet radio stations.

Contact your local dealer, or check out our website for more information on these accessories.

We sincerely hope that you will be overjoyed with the years of great-sounding, simple to operate, musical entertainment that SpinBase MAX will provide.

To get the most from your SpinBase MAX, be sure to thoroughly review this manual and heed the important safety instructions. If you have any questions not covered here please contact Andover Audio support via www.andoveraudio.com/ support or +1 978.775.3670.

With the proper care and operation, your SpinBase MAX will provide many years of smiles.

Please save the carton and original packaging in case you ever need to move or ship your unit.

About Andover Audio

Since 2012, we at Andover Audio have provided design and manufacturing services behind the scenes to some of the most recognized brands in mobile, professional, and high-performance consumer audio. We now focus our award-winning skills on our own product line that artfully blends exceptional sound with distinctive design.

Rear Panel Connections



POWER INPUT - Connect the provided DC Power supply here first, then plug the supply into the wall outlet.

HIGH-PASS FILTER SWITCH - Normally OFF. Switch to ON when you have connected a Subwoofer to reduce the bass produced by the speakers built in to SpinBase MAX.

LINE IN - Use this input to connect a Turntable that has a built-in Phono Preamp, the Line-Out from a Record Player, or any Line Level source such as a CD player or Streaming Audio accessory.

MAGNETIC PHONO INPUT - Connect to a high quality turntable equipped with a Magnetic Phono Cartridge that does not have a built-in preamp, or has its preamp bypassed.

GROUND SCREW - Connect the GROUND wire from turntables with this feature to reduce hum.

HEADPHONE OUTPUT - Connect headphones here. Plugging a device into this jack will turn off the built-in speakers.

LINE OR SUB OUTPUT - Use this jack to connect a subwoofer, or to connect external powered speakers or amplifier. The Built-in speakers will remain on.

How to Connect your Turntable

SpinBase MAX can be used with many different types of Turntables or Record Players.

The term Record Player describes an all-in-one device containing speakers. A Turntable is a component which requires connection to a speaker or amplifier. How you connect it to SpinBase MAX depends on the Turntable or Record Player type you have.

1. Component Turntable with Magnetic Cartridge

This is the most common type of turntable typically used with SpinBase MAX.

- Connect the Left and Right Phono Plugs to the pair of input jacks labeled "Magnetic Phono".
- If your turntable is equipped with a GROUND wire, attach it to the ground screw on SpinBase MAX. If this is not securely attached, you may hear excessive hum from the speakers.

2. Component Turntable with Magnetic Cartridge and built-in preamplifier.

These are also quite common, and you have two options for connection.

- If your turntable does not have a switch to defeat the built-in preamp, connect the turntable's output to the LINE-IN jacks on SpinBase MAX.
- If your Turntable has a switch that allows you to bypass its built-in preamplifier, place the switch in the bypass mode and connect it as in example 1 above.
- Depending on the quality of your Turntable's built-in preamplifier, you may want to try both options and use whichever sounds best to you.

3. Bluetooth Turntable

SpinBase MAX can be connected to turntables that have a Bluetooth output by using SpinBase MAX's internal Bluetooth receiver. If you have a wired option, we recommend using it instead for the best sound quality without the degradation of sound typical of the inexpensive transmitters found in most Bluetooth turntables.

4. All-in-one Record Player

SpinBase MAX can also dramatically improve the sound of most all-in-one Record Players that already contain built-in speakers. The Record Player must have a Line-Output to facilitate this. Connect the output of your Record Player to the LINE-IN jacks on SpinBase MAX.

Using SpinBase MAX

To turn on SpinBase MAX, rotate the central control knob clockwise past the click. The LED pointer on the knob will illuminate to indicate power is on.

All inputs on SpinBase MAX are "live. It is unnecssary to switch inputs. Simply start using the source you want to hear, and turn off the source you don't. You may find this uncommon, but once you become accustomed to it you will find it intuitive.

Bluetooth Operation

SpinBase MAX can receive Bluetooth signals from a Bluetooth source such as your phone or a Bluetooth turntable. It can also transmit Phono and Aux input signals to Bluetooth Headphones or Speakers. It cannot simultaneously transmit and receive.



To Connect Bluetooth Source Devices

- SpinBase MAX will enter discovery mode automatically, as indicated by a flashing blue icon.
- Enter the Bluetooth menu on your phone or other device and select SpinBase MAX.
- Once the device indicates it's "connected", you are ready to play. If you do not connect a Bluetooth Source, the Blue LED will eventually go out, but the MAX will remain discoverable.

Please note: If you wish to connect to a different device, you must first "disconnect" or "forget" the source device. This must be either done from the source device, or by touching the RECEIVE/PAIR icon on the top panel to re-enter discovery mode.

To Connect Bluetooth Headphones or Speakers

- Touch the TRANSMIT/PAIR icon on the top panel. The Icon will begin to flash white, indicating that it is in discovery mode.
- Enter discovery or pairing mode on the device you wish to connect. Once the two devices are paired, the LED will cease flashing and the built-in speakers will mute.

• To return to the SpinBase MAX speakers, touch the RECEIVE/PAIR icon. Note: depending on the pairing status of your headphones or speakers, pairing may take up to 30 seconds. If your device will not pair, it may be already paired to another source device. If so, it must first be released from that other source device to allow SpinBase MAX to discover it.

Additional Features

Bass and Treble

Bass and Treble controls are located on the back panel and may boost or cut their respective frequency ranges. The normal position with unaltered response is indicated by the detent you feel when the controls are centered.

High-Pass Filter

Under normal use, the High-Pass Filter should remain OFF. If you connect a subwoofer, switch the High-Pass filter to ON to reduce the bass from the SpinBase MAX to let the subwoofer cover this range. By removing the bass load from the built-in speakers, the system will play louder and distortion will be reduced.

Room Placement

As with any sound system, where you locate it in your room affects how well the sound fills the space. SpinBase MAX features a 270-degree sound field to provide a spacious, room-enveloping performance that defies its compact size. Sound is emitted from both sides and the front of the unit, so be careful not to block the sound from the sides. Although placement of SpinBase MAX is less complex than a typical component system, following these simple guidelines will result in the most enjoyable sound quality.

- To ensure the most even sound coverage, try to place system near the center of one of the walls. It should be at, or slightly below, ear height for a seated listener.
- Using the optional Spinstand will place the system at the ideal height in most rooms.
- If the unit will be placed in a corner, angle it at 45-degrees so that the speakers on one side are not blocked.
- Keep the sides of the unit unobstructed by solid objects for as much distance as practical, but by at least 12" (~30.5 cm).
- Place the unit on a solid table or component rack. DO NOT use soft vibration isolators or place the unit on a carpet or foam surface. If the support surface is not sufficiently rigid, acoustic feedback may occur.
- Avoid placing the unit in an enclosed bookshelf or cabinet, as this will significantly compromise its performance.

Two-Year Warranty

Andover Audio warrants our products against manufacturing defects and workmanship to the initial purchaser for a period of two (2) years from the date of delivery to customer. Andover Audio will repair or replace the unit as necessary to restore proper operation.

This warranty covers both parts and labor for the warranty period. The warranty excludes physical damage caused by accident or abuse outside of our control, or if the unit is damaged due to incorrect packing.

The warranty also excludes normal wear items such as the stylus and belt on turntable products.

If you think you need warranty service, please contact us to obtain an RMA (Return Merchandise Authorization) by contacting www.andoveraudio.com/ support or calling 978.775.3670. For more information on returns and exchanges, please visit www.andoveraudio.com and click the support link at the bottom of the page.

If your unit was purchased from an authorized dealer, contact them first. They may have different policies and may also be able to resolve some issues without requiring a return.

Service

Should you encounter a problem that you are unable to solve, please contact customer service at support@andoveraudio.com, or the dealer that sold you your unit.

If you must return your unit for any reason, it must be safely packed and shipped in its original carton and packing material. Damage that is the result of improper packaging is not covered by the warranty.

Product Cleaning

Use a soft dry cloth, or compressed air. Vinyl surfaces may be cleaned using a mild surface cleaner or a damp cloth.

Do not use harsh or chlorine based cleaner anywhere on the product. Only clean the exterior of the product.

Specifications

Description: Integrated Powered Loudspeaker system with Phono Preamp and Bluetooth receiver.

Music Power: 60W RMS total (2 x 30W)

Acoustic Frequency range: 55Hz - 20kHz +/- 3dB (under laboratory conditions)

Phono input impedance: 47k / 100pF

Line Input impedance: 20k Ohm

Headphone / Line Output: 105mW @ 16 Ohms. Frequency Response: 20Hz-20kHz

Power Consumption: 24VDC / 3A

Weight: 6.8kG / 15 lbs.

Dimensions: Height: 108mm / 4.35"

Width: 446mm /18"

Depth 343mm / 13.5"

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