



Black Rhodium

Libra Classic power cable

FINISHED IN A light blue, 8.5mm diameter sheath, the Libra Classic is a flexible mains cable that can be fitted with either a UK or Schuko plug for use in Europe. The other end is terminated in a 10A IEC plug.

Long shot

Its conductors are made from 16x 0.2mm tinned copper wire and insulated in a type of silicone rubber known as GPC (Gel Permeation Chromatography). At the IEC end, a large ferrite tube has been fitted to provide filtering against RFI. Supplied as a 1.7m cable, Black Rhodium says the longer length of the Libra Classic is not just to enable it to reach most of the components on your rack, but also because it considers the best sound quality is obtained from cables of an untwisted length of 1.68m.

Plugging the Libra Classic into my valve preamp power supply, there's an



immediate improvement to quieter moments when there is no music playing compared with a standard cable. Streaming a 24/88 digital recording of *All Blues* from *Yuko Mabuchi Plays Miles Davis* on my Cambridge Audio Azur 851N, the clarity and instrument focus when the piano and trumpet play the melody appears far more impactful than before. Switching over to my phono

stage and spinning a Fonè audiophile LP of Salvatore Accardo and the Orchestra da Camera Italiana playing Piazzolla's *Verano Porteño*, the bass comes across as tight and well controlled with the overall performance sounding powerful, vibrant and exciting.

This is a superb upgrade at the price and will appeal to those needing longer cable runs. **NR**

DETAILS

PRICE
£160 for 1.7m
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OUR VERDICT

