

## Vertical take-off!

Pro-Ject introduces its first vertical turntable - an unusual design but a solid performer.



It takes a few cues from Pro-Ject's plug-and-play Elemental turntable as it comes fully fitted with tonearm, factory-installed Ortofon OM5E moving magnet cartridge and the tracking force and anti-skate already set. In other words, Pro-Ject have done all the work for you - simply unpack and place on a shelf or use the mounting kit to attach to a wall. The 8.6" tonearm is made of aluminium and has been modified with a special spring mechanism which allows it to track a vertical record with the correct force. It's a clever mechanism which works well in practice

As plug-and-play turntables go the Pro-Ject is a solid performer with an undeniably interesting twist. That vertical orientation is a definite feature which gives a new experience to spinning an LP but the most important point is that the VTE-r performs extremely well for what is essentially a budget deck. Some may buy it for its looks but its sonic performance also means it comes highly recommended for the price.



**PRO-JECT VTE-R**  
**£229**



**OUTSTANDING - amongst the best**

**VALUE - keenly priced**

**VERDICT**

A distinctive-looking turntable that also offers great sound for the price.

**FOR**

- plug-and-play
- distinctive design
- engaging sound

**AGAINST:**

- looks may divide opinion