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## **Primary E**

"Best turntable under \$300 in 2020."



I expected the Pro-Ject Primary E to perform towards the bottom of the roster: It's the cheapest, the lightest and it has an unusual wooden platter. According to hi-fi folklore "heavier" is supposed to equal "better," so I found it surprising that the Pro-Ject belt driven turntable was **one of the best sounding**.

It was also one of the easiest to set up. Most of the work was done in the factory -- I just had to attach the belt. If you can handle its barebones aesthetic and want to save a little money on the Fluance, the Pro-Ject Primary E is an excellent choice.

You can also upgrade to the version with the phono pre-amplifier (also known as a phono preamp or phono stage) for \$299, which would make the Pro-Ject even more foolproof.

See more: https://www.cnet.com/news/best-turntable-under-300-for-2020-audio-technica-pro-ject-fluance-and-more/