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Review

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Furutech FP 1363D(G) wall socket

urutech produces a huge variety of mains accessories in addition to its signal cable range, and the FP 1363D(G) is part of a range of new wall sockets. These are available in single and twin socket configurations and come with rhodium (R) and gold (G) pins. All models are CE certified and the correct UK three-pin configuration.

Attention to detail and the overall fit and finish is extremely impressive. Furutech's proprietary Alpha Line conductors are used throughout and the faceplate is an incredibly solid piece of ABS that makes for an exceptionally sturdy piece of equipment. The attention to detail even extends to a specially designed pressure plate to increase the area that the pins of a plug are in contact with the Alpha Line conductors. This is probably not the most visually dramatic item of hi-fi you could spend £138 on, but there's no doubting the quality of the components involved. Needless to say, you should have the sockets fitted by a qualified electrician. Mains voltages are dangerous and not to be messed with!

In use

I experimented with connecting hi-fi separates directly to the Furutech, and then connecting an in-line mains block to the sockets. Connecting the units direct had a more beneficial effect than the mains block, but there was still an improvement to be had with that as well. The effects were subtle, but centred around a slightly greater sense of space and depth to performances. I found the most effective results were obtained by giving the digital source the direct socket and connecting amplifiers and phono stages to the mains block. An interesting upgrade, the Furutech is definitely worth considering. **ES**







