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Furutech Reference III and Evolution Interconnect and Cables

Reference III Interconnect, \$1320/1.2m (XLR), \$1155 (RCA); Reference III Speaker, \$1573/3m; Reference III Power, \$1210; Evolution Interconnect, \$740/1.2m (XLR), \$650 (RCA); Evolution Speaker, \$770/3m

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Furutech uses cryogenically treated, ultra-high-purity, OCC (Ohno Continuous Casting) single-crystal copper conductors in both its mid-priced Evolution and premium-priced Reference III audio cables. The top models offer better connectors, superior dielectric materials, and passive EMI-absorption filters made from GC-303 (and EMI-absorbent material developed by 3M Company). Furutech's cables have great transparency and purity, plus an uncanny ability to block out noise, hash, and grunge. CM, 173



Furutech LP Flattener

\$1890

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Expensive, but worth it if you have a large LP collection. Just put a slightly warped LP into the Flattener and the gentle heating and pressing action restores an LP to perfect

flatness. Review forthcoming

Furutech deMag

\$2150

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What's that you say, demagnetize vinyl—a plastic? Yes, it seems that the pigment added to the plastic contains small amounts of ferrous material that magnetizes vinyl LPs. A quick 20-second zap to each side of an LP results in audible improvements to noise floor, dynamic range, and perceived resolution. The same goes for optical media, including DVDs, and evidently cables and power cords, too.

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