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# >>Digital High-End Smart-AUDIO à la HRA

x-odos xo | one High-End Audio Server



x-odos is a new company in the audio market, whose first product is the xo one music server.

The goal was to develop a device that would above all captivate listeners with impressive sound, intuitive operation, and elegant design. Starting with the conviction that ease of use results from a consistent reduction of the unnecessary, the xolone has only what is absolutely needed. There is a button and an optical drive tray on the front. On the back, the xolone makes do with power, USB, network, and digital connections. The result is an extremely streamlined, but none the less elegant device.

In the more than two years spent developing the server, x-odos relied on more than mere measurements, and a good deal of time was spent testing, listening, and optimizing.

On the road to the best sound quality, the xolone distinguishes itself in terms of both technology and sound with its flash memory and uncompromising switch design. It also relies on high-quality components, such as unit bases from SSC, rhodium jacks from Furutech, and silver jacks from WBT.

The result is impressive indeed: The xolone is tonally homogenous, the spatiality and stage are large and clearly structured.

What can the xo one do?

The xo one saves CDs in lossless format and with bit-precision in the open FLAC format. Even high bit rate recordings are no problem for the xolone – it plays files of up to 24 bits and 192 kHz with ease.

Of course, the music is tagged with metadata so that the music archive can be searched by genre, artist, or album.

The integrated DLNA server makes the xolone the central storage location for music for the entire house.

The xolone does without analog audio outputs. In the developers' opinion, the extremely low jitter from the digital output resulting from the use of an individually adjustable DA converter ensures greater flexibility and ensures high adaptiveness to future developments.

To additionally secure the music archive, an easy backup solution is integrated into the software, and x-odos also offers the perfect external storage media.

The xo one pursues the concept of simplicity with its easy-to-understand and intuitive control software. An iPad, iPhone, or iPod is used for remote control. Installing the connection between the software and the server is effortless and virtually automatic. All with the certainty that comes with one of the most impressive and stable solutions currently available!

xo one & HIGHRESAUDIO: The xo one's integrated access to the full range of music offerings from HIGHRESAUDIO expands your audiophile repertoire.

The xo one offers the listener the option of searching for new music during playback without losing sight of the current playlist, then downloading the new music directly to the xolone and adding it to the playlist.

Warning! It's so easy, you won't want to stop.

The xo one is available in three configuration levels: The smallest has 500 GB, and there is a 1 TB and a 2TB version. You can choose from either a silver or black front. Should you run out of storage space at some point, you can upgrade later on.



x-odos iOS User interface including software player, HIGHRESAUDIO Homepage for mobile Web-browser and Download Manager.