Highland Audio - Oran 4301

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Highland audio is coming to Israel from France, it isn't a big company and not really familiar here, however they get a lot of praise for their products.

The company is very advanced technology wise. The original designs, the materials they use for the speakers are from the most advanced components, each product gets a full checkup before leaving the company gates.

The company has a big variety of speakers, from floor standing speakers to in-walls, satellite and bookshelf speakers, there's even an Electro-static speaker.

In my visit to the importer show room, "Home cinema 1784 LTD", I heard a few models, however the ORAN 4301 caught my immediate attention.

Specs

◆ Type : two way with rear bass reflex

Drivers: 26 mm titanium tweeter, 100 mm mid-bass

◆ Impedance 84db

• 6 ohm

• 65-20k hertz

Dimensions: 127*230*210Weight: 3 kg per speaker

◆ Finishes : real wood or piano black

The speaker isn't big and has an excellent finish.

The tweeter is covered with a metal grill, dome shaped, made of titanium, including a relatively big magnet.

The mid bass unit is 100 mm made of metal and ceramic and is only 0.15 mm thick that implies of light and quick unit.

The speaker box has a very high quality finish, including a front grill, a rear port and an option to connect the speaker with bi-wiring or bi-amping.

The speaker has 6mm screws for mounting it on dedicated stand.

As you will notice, the speakers are pretty light in weight and mounting it to a dedicated stand without screwing them can get dangerous, especially if you have little kids or pets running around.

The first impression this little guy gives is "WOW – ITS MUCH BIGGER THAN IT SOUNDS"

The sound the speaker supply's is without any relations to its size!

The tweeter, made of titanium is caressing and isn't metallic at all like other tweeters made from metal.

The bottom part (Bass) as you can guess from the speaker size and driver size is pretty limited, 65 hertz. But even in these smallest speakers there's a small "boost" that makes them more robust.

To the fans of acoustics' and vocal music its highly recommended.

What I liked the most in this specific speaker is that what does, he does the best, and what he can't do he doesn't do. It's rare to see these day's, because in the modern world, speaker companies are trying to sell quantities on expense of quality. It is not the case for this manufacturer, and for that my sincere appreciation.

The stage, as I said is very wide beyond their imaging world, Missing little depth in staging.

The speaker needs a lot of power to start, let's say I didn't match it to a T-AMP.

But you want to know what I liked in the speaker The price!
2590 nis for a pair. It's a bargain and no less!

You can install it in small to medium rooms with powerful receiver or amplifier. It's a great speaker to enter the world of High–end.

Structure - 9 of 10

Sound – 8 of 10

Value for money - 9.5 of 10

Total – 9 of 10

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