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Scoring Tips for Subwoofers

Use these tips to as a guide when filling out the buying scorecards in Sofa. These let you when assess the merits of the products you are contemplating buying and will help you shortlist a range of suitable products, thus making investing in home entertainment equipment a whole lot more enjoyable and rewarding.

Brand

The name of the relevant manufacturer or developer.

Model

The name of a product in a range.

Cosmetic design

It's simply got to look good.

Cabinet construction

Material and assembly quality.

Enclosure type

Sealed, reflex, special purpose design?

Bass system

Woofer-to-cabinet matching system.

Bass driver

Type, design and functionality.

Amplifier type

The electronic system behind the power.

Power output

How many real watts does it produce.

Level control

Adjusting the sound level to match the rest of the system.

Crossover control

How flexible is electronic integration with the system?

Input facilities

How can the sub be connected to the system?

Output facilities

What are they and how many are there.

Connectors

The quality of connection facilities.

Automatic functions

For example, does it switch itself on and off?

Bass extension

Simple enough - how low does it realistically go?

Bass detail

Can you make out the different nuance elements?

Versatility

For example, is it music compatible with satellites?

Dimensions

Do you need it to fit in a shelving storage options or is it in the open room.

Weight

Can you move it freely without getting a hernia.

Total Points Awarded

A tally which gives you the value a product's worth.

Comments

Where you place notes of your personal experiences when auditioning the relevant products.

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