Classé Audio DR-9



Technology Reflected In Music



SPECIFICATIONS:

Power Output (Watts):	Stereo	Mono
8 ohms	100	400
4 ohms	200	800
2 ohms	400	1100

Input Sensitivity: 1 Volt for rated output

Input Impedance: 100,000 ohms

Signal/Noise Ratio: -95 dB

Weight: 60 lb. (28 kg)

DR-9 POWER AMPLIFIER

The debut of the DR-9 represents the first high voltage / high current power amplifier manufactured by Classé Audio. From the exemplary DR-3B and DR-3-VHC models, many technical and construction parameters have been pristinely retained in the DR-9. The sole departure is that of a Class AB output stage. Exhaustively researched, we feel it has been successfully implemented in the DR-9 to provide a dramatic increase in power. Power that is first and foremost musical, that lifts the restraints of inefficient loudspeakers or larger listening rooms. Power that is elegantly produced from an efficient package, yet one whose trademark is strictly Classé.

In what was to become the DR-9, sacrificing high current for voltage was considered an unacceptable compromise. Current capability in amplifiers is simply too important for sound. As a result, power output increases at lower impedances in near textbook fashion, so that the DR-9 can confidently be used on any load. Its sheer musicality at high power levels is clearly evident upon auditioning.

Sharing only the linecord and primary of the power transformer, power supplies for each channel of the DR-9 are separately rectified and amply filtered by custom-made capacitors (140,000 uF total). The heart of each DR-9 channel reveals our proven low level stages. Simple and effective, they provide superb voltage gain which retains all the subtle nuances of the musical signal. Transparency, harmonic structure, and soundstage are not substituted by mere power in the DR-9. A new driver stage feeds the overwhelming output section: 2,400 Watts/360 Amps per channel, is the nominal power transistor capability. Fed from the close-proximity power supply, it becomes easy to justify the DR-9's effortless dynamic capabilities. The DR-9 features both regular (single-ended) and balanced inputs. Additionally, soft-start and D.C. protection circuitry have been incorporated for added reliability and safety. Fashioned in traditional Classé form, the DR-9 is refreshingly pleasing to the eye. The real pleasure begins with its musical performance.



