



Shunyata Research Altaira

WINNER
GROUNDING

Shunyata Research's power products and cables are synonymous with high-grade audio performance. And now, with Altaira, the same approach comes to system grounding. However, as opposed to the 'one size fits all' approach to grounding from most companies, Altaira requires a more considered, case-by-case approach. Consequently, 'Altaira' features a Chassis Ground and a Signal Ground box, with myriad connections at a range of performance grades, in order to best ground your system. This requires a lot of painstaking listening on the retailer's part to find the optimum combination of products for a system, be that the existing equipment of a prospective owner, or the start of a wholly new system. While in most cases, the grounding system works from the preamplifier outwards, Altaira is a robustness test of a dealer's skills!

No more bad hair days

"When done correctly, grounding is a very positive step forward for a system. It reduces audio 'bad hair days,' even on relatively humble systems," said Alan Sircom in his review of the Altaira system. He also felt that, "Instrument tonality and space within a mix is notably improved with the judicious use of Shunyata Research's Altaira in a system. Those instruments are rooted in space and have a sense of harmonic and tonal structure." And concluded the review by saying, "Shunyata Research is providing an integrated approach to improving the performance of all systems, from the down-to-earth to the stratospheric. Altaira is a big part of that integration; the results are remarkable."

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