



Acoustic Energy Corinium

WINNER

FLOORSTANDING LOUDSPEAKER OVER £5K



Long ago, Acoustic Energy was best known for its high-end two-way stand-mount loudspeaker, the AE1. The company's new flagship Corinium floorstander is effectively a high-end two-way stand-mount resting on a bass cabinet. At the top, the Tetoron 29mm soft dome tweeter and 120mm carbon fibre midrange are in close company with one another and handle everything down to 260Hz. The two 140mm bass drivers at the foot of the cabinet are designed to act like augmenting a small stand-mount with a subwoofer. The crossover that manages the relationship between drivers is bespoke and benefits from componentry that simply isn't commercially viable at lower price points. The slightly back-tilted cabinet is unusual by AE's standards because it features a curved edge that helps with standing wave issues and uses varying thicknesses of what AE calls 'Resonance Suppression Composite.'

Sweetness and finesse

In our test, Ed Selley enthused about the Corinium, saying, "Across a wide selection of musical material that requires delicacy, sweetness, and finesse, the Corinium has shown itself to possess all of them in abundance. Above all these things, there is emotional engagement that is consistently impressive." He also felt that, "Without ever suggesting it's anything other than a fundamentally accurate performer, the Corinium can ensure that what you listen to is a performance rather than a rendition." In conclusion, Ed felt Acoustic Energy has got the balance right; "The Corinium is detailed, tonally correct and impressively forgiving. It's also about as much fun as you can have with your clothes on!"

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