Comparison Chart showing features of various speakers

| Features | Conventional speaker | Astute | Astute S | Astute Ultra |
|---|----------------------|--------|-------------|-----------------|
| CABINETS | | | | |
| Hanging design isolates drivers from long energy paths | х | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Flexible placement without significant degradation | Not common | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Asymmetric driver position reduces internal standing waves | Unusual | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Unrestricted airflow space around driver. | Sometimes | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Complete isolation of midrange and treble from low frequency vibration | × | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| 4 Layer cabinet construction (High energy absorption) | х | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| 5 Layer Cabinet Construction (Very High energy absorption) | х | х | ~ | ~ |
| Multi-Layer Cabinet Construction (Ultra High energy absorption) | × | × | х | ~ |
| Ultra thin grill cloth for maximum transparency | Very rare | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| DRIVERS | | | | |
| Co-axial driver design | Sometimes | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Bespoke drivers | Sometimes | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Very high efficiency drivers | Very rare | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Drivers with very low cone break up for outstanding clarity and freedom from colouration. | Sometimes | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Tweeter with ultra low mass, high strength dome for sublime high frequency performance | Sometimes | × | × | ~ |
| Increased airflow through driver cage | Very rare | х | х | ~ |
| CROSS-OVERS | | | | |
| High grade cross-over components | Sometimes | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Cross-over outside the critical 2kHz to 5kHz region | Very rare | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Higher grade cross-over component including high performance Oil filled capacitors | Very rare | х | ~ | ~ |
| Inductors produced in house to within 0.1% accuracy | Unlikely | х | ~ | ~ |
| Highest Grade cross-over yielding startlingly high transparency | Sometimes | Х | Х | ~ |
| High grade internal cable | | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Advanced solder with high silver content | | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Point to point wiring of cross-over | Very rare | х | ~ | ~ |
| Hard wiring of all connections internally | Very rare | Х | ~ | V |

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| PRECISION & PERFORMANCE TOLERANCES | | | | |
| Close tolerance of pair matched drivers for centred imaging | Sometimes | х | ~ | ~ |
| Fine tolerance electronic components for best response accuracy | Rare | Х | ~ | ~ |
| Highest precision on all mechanical components | | х | х | ~ |
| Individual driver response fine tuned for maximum performance | Hardly ever | х | × | ~ |
| OTHER FACTORS | | | | |
| Advanced Binding posts of Pure stranded copper, with high pressure connections (manufactured by Origin Live) | × | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Bi-wiring option | | х | ~ | ~ |
| Greater range of finishes for baffle, cabinet and stand | | х | ~ | ~ |
| Variable height using cord clamp adjustment | х | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Advanced wool type to further reduce reflected sound waves. | х | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Warranty in Years | | 2 | 3 | 5 |