

CARY AUDIO

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About Cary

Since its founding in 1989, Cary Audio has stayed at the forefront of home entertainment equipment by stubbornly adhering to the principles of quality and musicality upon which it was founded. It's not enough just to be able to build great sounding gear, but they need to be well-made, reliable, and maintain their performance and value for many years. Cary Audio has certain criteria that have guided us since we began, and are still our primary focus.

At the heart of any electronic equipment is its power supply, and it has been said that the power supply is responsible for about 60% of the sound quality and reliability of an amplifier or other component. Whether for tubed or solid-state gear, the power supply takes power from the wall, regulates it as needed, and distributes it to the various subassemblies. Cary Audio's power supplies and transformers are all designed and purpose-built for our individual models, to our own demanding specifications. Output transformers in our tube gear are wound with oxygen-free copper wire in a bifilar configuration, yielding the closest balance and coupling available. Once built, each transformer is impregnated with a silicone wax to eliminate vibration, and carefully oriented on the chassis to eliminate hum. Our solid-state products use oversized toroidal transformers built to a very tight specification to ensure consistent power delivery into low impedance loads. Our preamplifiers use expensive C-core transformers for their superior audio qualities.

For the rest of audio circuitry, only the very best individual parts are specified and selected. Internal wiring, audio capacitors, even output terminals are all from top-name manufacturers and selected for their contribution to our sound quality. We generally use low levels of feedback in our designs where required, and some of our tube products do not have any loop feedback at all. This results in the most detailed and time-coherent reproduction of music and movies. When assembling a tube product, we take great care to select and provide matched pairs of tubes between channels, going so far as to label the tube boxes and identify which sockets they should be inserted into, again for the most accuracy and resolution.

It's not enough to just design and build the best equipment, so we pride ourselves on our technical support and service. If something ever were to go wrong, Cary Audio is there to provide advice, new matched tubes, and repair service on every piece we have ever manufactured. We even have a thriving community of those who like to tweak and upgrade their gear, and we offer a broad menu of tubes, capacitors, internal wiring, selector switches, input and output terminals, and other parts to enhance many of our products. We also offer custom painting of chassis, transformers, and front panels to match any paint code you provide. If you want your Cary Audio amplifier to match your car's finish, your favorite sports team, your speakers or other room furnishings, or just want to make a unique statement, we are here to fulfill your wishes.

As Cary Audio approaches a quarter-century of providing the best in sophisticated music systems, we remain committed to our goals of building the very best products, at real-world prices, and supporting them with world-class service. Let our passion for the very finest sound and picture quality help you better enjoy your music and movies!



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SL-100 Preamplifier

The SL-100 preamplifier combines the desirable attributes of low noise, low distortion and ease of use, making it an excellent preamplifier choice for your home audio system. This preamplifier offers a XLR balanced input and multiple RCA single-ended inputs making it a flexible design. The adjustable brightness front panel display shows current settings and volume levels during use. The SL-100 has its own power supply and offers outstanding musical reproduction using your favorite music.

All of this connectivity would mean little if the SL-100 didn't sound fantastic. Its matched set of tubes will produce a lush midrange, sweet highs, and a warm yet solid bass, and match well with any of our quality power amplifiers. For those who want style and simplicity without sacrificing the lifelike sound of tubes, the SL-100 is a natural choice.



SLP-98 Preamplifier

Cary Audio has offered this preamplifier and its predecessors for over 20 years, and it is still as musically satisfying as ever. It is still hand-built and hand-wired in North Carolina, and utilizes matched tubes and zero feedback for the most accurate musical presentation. The SLP-98 uses an external power supply enclosure, like its big brother the SLP-05, to keep any high-voltage electrical noise away from the circuits that handle the delicate musical reproduction.

With five inputs, the SLP-98 can manage an elaborate system, and gives you the convenience of remote volume control. Turntables are making a big comeback, and we even offer an optional built-in phono stage for MM cartridges, making it truly a value for its level of performance (model SLP-98P with phono stage, SLP-98L as a line-stage only). Regardless of whether you listen to vinyl records, tape, CDs, or any of today's digital sources, the SLP-98 will give you many years of enjoying delicate highs and powerful lows from all of your music.



SLP-05 Preamplifier

Cary Audio's finest preamplifier has been the recipient of many awards and glowing reviews. It consists of one enclosure housing the preamplifier itself, and a second separate power supply to keep noise out of the musical signal path and provide a more stable electrical foundation. Like most Cary Audio products it is fully differential-balanced in construction to further reduce electronic noise, and uses no global feedback for faster response. The SLP-05 features three pairs of RCA inputs plus a tape loop, as well as two pairs of XLR balanced inputs, and includes a Cinema Bypass mode so you can share sources between the music system and a home theater processor without worrying about degrading the signal path or having to readjust volume.

A set of hand-matched tubes is provided with your SLP-05, as well as a matched pair that simply power a built-in headphone amplifier. All of this technology simply means that you will be listening to music that is lifelike in its richness and clarity, and full of the tiny details that raise the SLP-05 from simply good to world-class. Cary Audio's attention to detail in circuit design, parts quality, and a superb finish, makes this truly an investment in musical enjoyment and pride of ownership.



PH-302 MkII Phono Preamplifier

Cary Audio has always supported playback of vinyl records, and today there is a revival of the LP as a serious format, both for audiophiles and for the general music public. The PH-302 MkII is a tube stereo phono preamplifier that offers inputs and selectable loading to match almost any moving-magnet or moving-coil phono cartridge. This will optimize the response, and provide high gain, to best match your cartridge.

The PH-302 MkII uses a fully regulated power supply and extensive shielding, to go along with carefully selected and matched parts and tubes to provide a very quiet background, exquisite sound quality, and wide dynamic range for getting the most out of every record. You'll hear subtle shadings and exciting dynamic contrasts on all types of music. If you are serious about your vinyl music collection and your turntable, the PH-302 MkII should be part of your system.



SLI-80 Integrated Amplifier

For many years the SLI-80 integrated amplifier has represented Cary Audio's least expensive entry into the magic of tube music systems. Thousands of satisfied music lovers have used the SLI-80 with all types of other equipment, and just continue to use it after the rest of their systems change. It features three pairs of RCA single-ended inputs, a pair of preamplifier outputs to use it for biamping or adding a powered subwoofer, a switchable headphone amplifier, and a remote control to adjust volume or mute the sound.

The amplifier section of the SLI-80 has a feature allowing you to decide how to configure the tubes on the fly, depending on your musical tastes of the moment, your speakers, and how loudly you want to listen. A pair of toggle switches will select either triode mode producing 40 watts per channel of pure class-A power, or ultralinear mode which doubles power to 80 watts per channel in class-AB. If you're listening to more subtle music and want to hear all of the inner detail, select triode mode for the most lifelike imaging and tonal accuracy. If you want to really let loose, switch to ultralinear mode and enjoy the extra power and dynamics. Your choice!



CAD-300SEI Integrated Amplifier

Tube aficionados have long known that the best possible realism and detail comes when an amplifier is run in SET mode, or Single-Ended Triode. This lets one power tube handle both sides of each musical waveform, eliminating some of the most fatiguing distortions. It results in lower output power, naturally, but with high-efficiency speakers played at reasonable levels, its ultimate simplicity means the ultimate in musical naturalness.

While only offering 15 watts per channel of pure class-A remote-controlled power, the 300SEI does things that almost no other amplifier today can achieve. Its careful attention to design and construction means that it is extremely quiet, allowing the tiniest musical details to float against a background of dead silence. This will help you perceive more accurate soundstaging and imaging cues, as well as the most realistic harmonic structure of each instrument. You can tell a Steinway from a Bösendorfer piano, a Stradivarius from a Guarneri or Amati violin, or a Fender from a Gibson guitar. You'll hear inner details of musical groups that you never knew were there. Sometimes the simplest IS the best, and the CAD-300SEI is a testament to that philosophy.



CAD-120S MkII Amplifier

Cary Audio has almost always offered stereo tube power amplifiers, and the CAD-120S MkII is the latest in this long line of award-winning, top-rated amplifiers. A perfect match in style for our SLP-03 tube preamplifier, this new version of our most popular power amplifier features a boosted sensitivity and reduced level of global feedback, allowing it to be used with a wider variety of other preamplifiers and produce a larger soundstage with more apparent musical detail.

Fully differentially-balanced like most Cary Audio products, the CAD-120S MkII offers both RCA single-ended and XLR balanced inputs to match any associated equipment. Front panel meters continually monitor the bias current to the tubes, helping you easily keep the amplifier operating at its peak efficiency. A huge power supply provides plenty of current storage to handle peak demands of your music and movies. It can be switched on the fly from triode mode (class-A) at 60 watts per channel, to ultralinear mode (class-AB) at 120 watts per channel. This lets you enjoy the greatest possible minute details of your more delicate music, or ask for much more power when you want to “turn it up to 11.” The CAD-120S MkII can make almost any system sound its very best in your home.



Class A

CAD-805AE Amplifier

Single-end triode (SET) tube amplifiers have long been considered the Holy Grail of music reproduction systems, operating in the purest form of class-A power output. Cary Audio began in 1989 by producing a SET monoblock amplifier as its first product, and today the CAD-805AE proudly carries on that tradition. Using just one tube to handle the entire musical signal typically does not allow for more than a few watts of output power, but the CAD-805AE, with its massive power supply, is able to produce over 50 watts.

Cary Audio always hand-builds their tube products and carefully matches the tubes. In the case of the CAD-805AE monoblocks, this even extends to giving you two very different types of output tubes as standard. These two tubes have a quite different sonic character from each other, and by giving you both you can fine tune your system to best match your musical taste, your speakers, and your room's acoustic signature. A pair of these monoblocks represent the pinnacle of today's tube design capability, and will make your system sing as never before. If you want the very best and most accurate musical response in your home, audition the CAD-805AE.



CAD-211FE Amplifier

It is well known that using monoblock amplifiers, as opposed to both channels together as a stereo chassis, is the best way to get powerful and lifelike music. By using separate power supplies that can be much more massive, each amplifier can have more dynamic power and be quieter. Keeping two separate amplifiers also makes any inter-channel crosstalk in the amplifiers impossible, so separation is better, meaning your soundstage and musical imaging will be larger and more well-defined. The simple act of separating the two channels provides a lot of distinct advantages, but also increases the investment because of needing to double up on power supplies and chassis parts.

Is this extra expense worth it? One listen to the CAD-211FE will convince you that it most certainly is. With over 70 watts of class-A power, automatically transitioning as needed to over 150 watts in class-AB, this powerhouse will effortlessly drive nearly any speaker to realistic live performance levels. It includes a bias meter on the front panel to help you maintain your amplifier at its peak operating level, and offers both XLR balanced and RCA single-ended inputs to match your system. Fully differentially-balanced construction, zero global feedback, and huge reserves of current and power mean that your system will come alive with all types of music and movies.



SA-200.2 Amplifier

Cary Audio's expertise also extends to solid-state electronics, as evidenced by the SA-200.2 stereo power amplifier. Sharing our design goals of fully differential-balanced construction to eliminate many causes of noise, allowing more details of your music and movies to emerge, we have also "voiced" the amplifier to sound tube-like, with a sweet high end and a lush and involving midrange. It does, however, produce taut and powerful bass response beyond what most tube amplifiers can manage. Its wide frequency bandwidth and low noise characteristics combine to reproduce the most subtle harmonic shadings of the music, resulting in accurate timbral renderings of instruments and voices and wider dynamic contrasts. You'll hear more of the music and the movies than you ever thought possible from a high-powered solid-state amplifier.

The SA-200.2 shares its circuitry with its big brother, the SA-500.1 500 watt monoblock. If your needs ever change (more demanding speakers, larger room, etc.), we can replace the SA-200.2's stereo input module with the parallel bridging mono module, and turn it into an SA-500.1. Matched parts, a high-current oversized power supply, modular construction, short signal paths – all these benefits mean a long lifetime of enjoying effortless, natural music.



SA-500.1 Amplifier

For those who have the most demanding speakers, or very large spaces, or simply desire limitless dynamics and power, Cary Audio offers the SA-500.1 solid-state monoblock power amplifier. Sharing a chassis, power supply, and amplifier channels with the SA-200.2, the SA-500.1 uses a newly-developed input module to run in a balanced-parallel configuration, more than doubling the available power. With over 500 watts on tap with 8-ohm speakers, and over 1000 watts for 4-ohm speakers, these big monoblocks can handle any conceivable load or room with power to spare.

These amplifiers are not only muscular, but also refined in their musical abilities. Even the very finest speakers available can profit being driven by the SA-500.1 amplifier. A tremendous amount of care was taken to insure that it maintains the delicacy and musical accuracy of its stereo sibling, the SA-200.2. Since it is the same amplifier at its heart, only varying in the input board used, the SA-500.1 is just as musical and enjoyable. If your needs dictate tremendous power and rock-solid control of your music and movies, whether for full range or biamping applications, make sure to choose the SA-500.1.



Cinema 12 Preamplifier/Surround Processor

After two decades of producing some of the world's best two-channel tube gear, Cary Audio set its mind to applying the same sonic perfection to home theater. The latest expression of this quest is the Cinema 12 surround preamplifier-processor. With four of the latest high-speed HDMI v1.4a inputs, the Cinema 12 is ready for 3D, Ethernet over HDMI, or any of the other benefits of this technology. It also features plenty of other digital and analog inputs that are completely configurable to match your equipment and the sonic characteristics of your room. HD radio accompanies standard AM and FM, so you can access all of your local broadcasts.

Perhaps the most important criteria as we designed the Cinema 12 was not all of this flexibility, although that is very important to help it fit into more systems, but rather the attention we paid to its sonic performance. We used the latest 32-bit/192 kHz DAC chips to give you the most accurate surround decoding and steering, so your movies will sound better. A well-regulated power supply and the very best parts selection means that low noise and distortion will allow all of the myriad tiny details to be properly reproduced, resulting in more accurate and lifelike music and movie soundtracks. Two separate user profiles are available to fine-tune your Cinema 12 to perfectly fit your taste in both movies and music. All in all, the Cinema 12 reaches new heights in both sound quality and ease of operation, and is truly the finest surround processor available.



Model 7.125 Amplifier

Just because an amplifier has a bunch of channels and is positioned as being for your home theater system does not mean that it can't be designed to sound great on music as well. The Model 7.125 does indeed have seven channels, and each channel does put out over 125 watts into 8 ohm speakers (190 watts into 4 ohms) with all channels driven simultaneously, but it also has Cary Audio sonic DNA in its veins. This amplifier has the smooth highs and warm midrange people have come to expect from Cary Audio's renowned tube amplifiers, but adds the control and punch in the bass of its solid-state heritage as well.

The Model 7.125 offers both RCA single-ended and balanced XLR inputs to match it with any system, and features trigger connections to automatically turn it on and off with the rest of your system. It also is based on modular construction, so if there ever is a need for service, simply swapping out a channel board is all that is necessary, saving time and money. All of this convenience wouldn't matter if it didn't have world-class sound quality, and it will easily exceed your expectations.



DAC-100 & DAC-100t Digital to Analog Converters (DACs)

If you asked most music lovers today how they purchase and store their music, the word computer would surely pop up consistently. The Cary Audio DAC-100 and DAC-100t digital to analog converters (DACs) were specifically designed to address this growing segment of computer based storage and playback of digital files. These DACs incorporate a state of the art USB section for connecting and playing back these files directly from a computer. Utilizing Streamlength™ technology, the USB section streams data from the computer (PC or MAC) asynchronously, meaning the timing of the stream is handled by the built in XMOS processor and other components rather than the computer itself controlling the flow. This effectively eliminates digital jitter. The result is a cohesive, full bodied sound that makes the music sound more like music and less like a jittery computer file. Both the DAC-100 and DAC-100t are capable of handling native hi-resolution music files of up to 24 bit/192kHz over the USB (1), coaxial (2), and Toslink (2) inputs.

What differentiates the DAC-100 and the DAC-100t is the analog output section. The DAC-100 uses four (4) solid state hi-speed monolithic non-feedback buffers, whereas the DAC-100t uses two (2) premium 6922 vacuum tubes, each providing its own distinctive solid state or tube characteristic. Other common features are separate power supplies for the digital and analog sections and include both RCA and XLR balanced outputs.



HH-1 Headphone Amplifier

Cary Audio's all-new HH-1 headphone amplifier is a stunning achievement in sound quality. Its hybrid design features a tube preamplifier stage followed by a single-ended FET solid-state amplifier, using the best performance features of both technologies combined to give you the most enjoyable listening experience possible.

Top quality parts, excellent engineering, beautiful fit and finish, simple to hook up and use in any system configuration, designed and built in the USA, the HH-1 headphone amplifier will give you years of detailed and accurate musical reproduction with virtually any high-quality headphones.



MA-300

Tube power amplifiers need to have a bias current applied to their tubes to regulate the amount of electron flow, creating the proper current flow. It is important to keep that bias current at its correct level as tubes break in and as they age. It's not always easy to dig out a multimeter, make sure its batteries are good, and then remember where to set it to get the correct reading.

Cary Audio's MA-300 is a single-purpose meter, only measuring milliamps of DC current, and with an installed connector, all mounted in an attractive steel stand. This makes it very easy to plug it in to any of our amplifiers and get an instant reading of each channel's bias. A simple adjustment with a small screwdriver will turn it up or down until the meter reads the proper level, and you'll have the best performance from your amplifier once again.



Universal Remote Control

One of the most common issues with operating today's entertainment systems is the plethora of remote controls involved. Cary Audio has introduced a powerful new universal remote to control all of your electronic components easily and conveniently. It will operate up to ten different products, and is pre-programmed with IR codes for virtually all brands and models (over 230,000 devices). If something is missing you can teach the commands from the original remote to Cary Audio's Universal Remote Control with the press of just a couple of buttons. It is also programmed with remote commands for all Cary Audio products ever offered (that use a remote), so you can easily integrate an older preamplifier, for example, into your new system.

To manage a complex system, it is important that a remote control operate the multiple components in a given order, automating the task of selecting a source and starting the music or movie. The Universal Remote Control provides 18 macros, each containing up to 20 steps from any of the ten controlled components. You can also set up ten sets of favorite channels so each family member can quickly find their favorite shows. These one-touch activity-based controls allow your family and friends to easily and intuitively turn on the entertainment they want.



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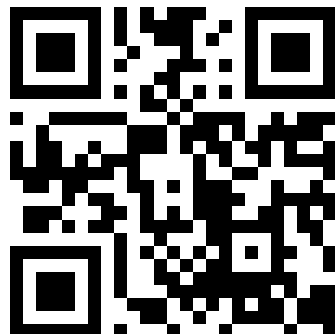
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Specifications - Preamplifiers

	SL-100	SLP-98L	SLP-98P	SLP-05	PH-302 MkII
RCA Inputs/Outputs	6 pr./2 pr.	5 pr./2 pr.	5 pr./ 2 pr.	4 pr./ 1 pr.	2 pr.(MM & MC)/ 1 pr.
Balanced Inputs/Outputs	1 pr./ 1 pr.	NA	NA	2 pr./ 1 pr.	NA
Gain	16 dB	20 dB	20 dB & 43dB Phono	10 dB RCA, 8 dB Bal.	33 dB MM/60 dB MC
Tubes	4-12AU7	4-6SN7 Line	4-6SN7 Line 2-12AX7 Phono 2-12AU7 Phono	8-6SN7 Balanced, Gain, & Headphone. 1-5AR4 Rectifier in PS	2-6SL7 Head Amp 2-6SL7 Gain Stage 1-5AR4 Rectifier
Frequency Response	5 Hz to 50 kHz	5 Hz to 163,000 Hz	5 Hz to 163,000 Hz	5 Hz to 250,000 Hz	RIAA Curve +0.5 dB
Input Impedance	100k Ohms RCA/200k XLR	50k Ohms Line/47k Phono	50k Ohms Line/47k Phono	100k Ohms RCA/100k XLR	MM-74k Ohms/MC- 10, 43, 100, 330, 470, 47k Ohms
Output Impedance	500 Ohms RCA/500 XLR	440 Ohms	440 Ohms	400 Ohms	660 Ohms
Noise & Hum	-90 dB	-88 dB	-88 dB	-90 dB	-78 dB
Phono	NA	See SPL-98 P	MM	NA	MM & MC
Cinema Bypass	Yes, 1 pr. RCA	Optional, RCA	NA	1pr.-RCA, 1pr.-bal.	NA
Remote Control	Full	Vol, Mute	Vol, Mute	Vol, Mute	NA
Power Consumption	75 w	44 w	44 w	75 w	35 w
Weight	25 lbs	22 lbs.	22 lbs.	16 lbs. Pre, 19 lbs. PS	22 lbs
Dimensions	4.5" H x 17" W x 13" D	5" H x 12.5" W x 12" D	5" H x 12.5" W x 12" D	6.25" H x 17" W x 12" D - preamplifier 4.5" H x 17" W x 12" D - power supply	4" H x 17" W x 13" D

Specifications - Tube Integrated Amplifiers

	SLI-80	CAD-300SEI
Power per Channel	40w in A ; 80w in AB	15w in A
Circuit Type	Push Pull	SET
Frequency Response	19 Hz to 23 KHz	20 Hz to 23 KHz
Noise & Hum	-82 dB	-90 dB
Tubes	2-6922 Input 2-6SN7 Driver 2-5U4 Rectifier 4-KT88 Output	1-6SN7 Input 2-6SN7 Driver 2-300B Output
RCA Inputs/Outputs	3 pr./1 pr.(Sub-Full Range)	3 pr./NA
Remote Control	Vol, Mute	Vol, Mute
Power Consumption	166 w	107 w
Weight	42 lbs.	51 lbs.
Dimensions	7" H x 17" W x 16" D	8" H x 14" W x 14" D

Specifications - DACs

	DAC-100	DAC-100t
USB Processor	XMOS Asynchronous processing	XMOS Asynchronous processing
SP/DIF Input Receiver	Wolfson model #WM8805	Wolfson model #WM8805
Digital to Analog Converters	2 X ESS Sabre ES9023	2 X ESS Sabre ES9023
Digital Inputs	5 selectable inputs – (2) coaxial (gold plated), (2) Toslink, (1) USB	5 selectable inputs – (2) coaxial (gold plated), (2) Toslink, (1) USB
Analog Output	RCA analog output (gold plated) XLR Balanced	RCA analog output (gold plated) XLR Balanced
Input Sample Rates Accepted*	44.1kHz, 48kHz, 88.2 kHz, 96kHz, 176.4kHz, 192kHz	44.1kHz, 48kHz, 88.2 kHz, 96kHz, 176.4kHz, 192kHz
Bit Depths Accepted	16 - 24 bit, LPCM 2-ch audio stream	16 - 24 bit, LPCM 2-ch audio stream
Power Transformer	Toroidal transformer (Digital Supply) Toroidal transformer (Analog Supply)	Toroidal transformer (Digital Supply) Toroidal transformer (Analog Supply)
Dynamic Range	112dB	112dB
Signal to Noise Ratio	109dB	109dB
Noise and Hum	-101 dB below rated output	-101 dB below rated output
Audio Output Level	2.0V RMS	2.0V RMS
Frequency Response	20Hz – 22kHz	20Hz – 22kHz
AC Power Requirements	120 VAC @ 50/60 Hz 240 VAC @ 50/60 Hz	120 VAC @ 50/60 Hz 240 VAC @ 50/60 Hz
Tube Compliment	N/A	2 – 6922 tubes
Weight	21 lbs.	21 lbs.
Dimensions	15.5" L X 17.25" W X 3.5" H	15.5" L X 17.25" W X 3.5" H

*To achieve higher than 96kHz over Toslink requires that the Toslink transmitter of the digital source and Toslink cable both be compatible and capable of outputting greater than 96kHz. Many times, this is not the case. Please check with your digital source and Toslink cable documentation.

Specifications - Tube Amplifiers

	CAD-120S MkII	CAD-805AE	CAD-211FE
Channels	2 (stereo)	1 (Mono)	1 (Mono)
Power per Channel	60w in A 120w in AB	50w in A	70w in A, 110w in AB 150w in B
Circuit Type	Triode/Push Pull	SET	Triode/Push Pull
Frequency Response	17 Hz to 25 KHz	20 Hz to 20 KHz	20 Hz to 20 KHz
Input Impedance	100k Ohms RCA/100k XLR	150k Ohms RCA	100k Ohms RCA/200k XLR
Tubes	2- 6SN7 In- put Driver 2-6SN7 8-KT88 Output	2-6SN7 Input 1-300B Driver 1-845 & 211 Output 1-1629 Output	1-6CA7 Current 1-6SL7 Input 2-300B Driver 2-845 Output
Power Consumption	NA	230 w	280 w
Weight	65 lbs.	80 lbs.	90 lbs.
Dimensions	8H x 17 W x 14D	8.5H x 12.25W x 24 D	10H x 12.25W x 24 D

Specifications - Solid State Amplifiers

	SA-200.2	SA-500.1	Model 7.125
Number of Channels	2 (stereo)	1 (Mono)	7
Circuit	Class AB	Class AB	Class AB
Power per ch. @ 8 Ohms	200w	500w	125w
Power per ch. @ 4 Ohms	350w	1000w	190w
Frequency Response	10Hz to 50KHz	10Hz to 50KHz	20Hz to 20KHz
Input Impedance	22k Ohms RCA/22k XLR	30k Ohms RCA/30k XLR	50k Ohms RCA/50k XLR
Signal to Noise	>100 dB "A" Weighted	>100 dB "A" Weighted	>100 dB "A" Weighted
Output Devices	Bipolar	Bipolar	Bipolar
RCA Inputs	1 pr.	1 (Single)	7
Balanced Inputs	1 pr.	1 (Single)	7
Weight	65 lbs	65 lbs.	55 lbs.
Dimensions	7" H x 17.7"W x 19.5 "D	7" H x 17.7"W x 19.5 "D	7" H x 17.7"W x 16.6"D

Specifications - Headphone Amplifier

	HH-1
Input Impedance	50K ohms
Frequency Response	5Hz to 35 kHz (-1dB)
Signal to Noise Ratio	>90dB at 0dB gain
Output Power	200mW/300 ohms, 300mW/30 ohms
Tube Complement	2 x 6922 (6DJ8 Tubes)
Headphone Connector	1 x phone jack
Recommended Headphone Impedance Range	30-600 ohms
Weight	10 lbs.
Dimensions	14.5" L x 8.5" W x 4" H

Specifications - Accessories

Universal Remote	MA-300
2.0-inch TFT color LCD screen	Meter Range: 0 to 300 mA
Selectable menus	Plug: 1/4 inch phono plug
Learning wizard	Weight: 1 lb.
10-in-1 universal remote control	Dimensions: 3" H x 3.5" W x 3" D
Built-in big code library and learning functions	
Calculator feature	
Date and Time	
Total 56 buttons	
Preset for all CARY IR remote codes	
White backlit buttons	

Specifications - Processor

	Cinema 12
Chipset	Cirrus Logic CS49700
HDMI Version	1.4a
Auto Setup	Cirrus Logic CS49700
Equalizer	10 bands per speaker
Crossover	11 selectable Frequencies per speaker
Surround formats	5.1 & 7.1
Decoding	Dolby True HD, Dolby Digital Plus, DTS-HD Master Audio, DTS-HD Hi-Res Audio, Dolby Digital, Dolby Pro Logic Iix, Dolby Digital EX, DTS-ES Discrete, DTS NEO 96/24, CES Matrix Surround
Inputs	4-HDMI, 7-RCA Analog, Coax, or Toslink (selectable), XLR Analog or Digital (selectable), Multi-CH 7.1 Analog RCA
Outputs	1-HDMI, 7.1 RCA & Bal. Zone 2 Stereo RCA & Toslink
Analog to Digital Converter	Burr Brown 1802
Input Receiver	Cirrus CS 8416
Processor	Dual 32 Bit Audio DSP @ 516 MIPS
Digital to Analog Converter	2-32 Bit Burr Brown 1795
Frequency Response	10 Hz to 20 kHz
Dynamic Range	115 dB
Signal to Noise	108 dB
Power Consumption	25 w
Weight	25 lbs.
Dimensions	17.7" W x 4.5" H x 16.5" D



"I recently purchased a stack o' gear (CAD 211 amps, PH 302, SLP 05 and CD 306 SACD) through Audio Connection. You've probably heard it before but – holy smokes....my setup makes music like never before. I had the SLP 05 and PH 302 home for audition so I had a pretty good idea what to expect from them when I got my pieces. But those amps! They are simply awesome: the most musical sounding amps I have ever owned."

-John Connolly

what others are saying...

"Let's start with the punch line: The Cary SLP 05 is the single best equipment purchase I have ever made. It is wonderful sounding, convenient to use, beautiful to look at and built like a tank (two tanks, actually – separate power supply)."

"The Cary is detailed without being etched. It's smooth without being pudgy, overly warm or "romantic." I've made many purchases that made me very happy. But nothing has done for my system what the SLP 05 has. It's finally made me stop and listen to the music, and that, for me, is what this obsessive hobby is all about."

-Richard Birke

"This new Cinema 12 is simply the best sounding processor I have ever heard (and I have heard a lot over the years). The addition of the extra 2 HDMI inputs is a bonus for me."

-Joshua Holko

"I'm not going to mince words; the Cary Audio SLP-05 is one of the finest preamplifiers I have ever heard. And I've heard many. It's rare when a single component can impart such a profound impact on the performance of a system, but the SLP-05 took my system up a notch, maybe three."

-Jim Swantko, hometheaterreview.com

"If I had known what I know now and it was available, I would have bought the SLI-80 forty five years ago and I'd never buy another. Keep on rockin'!"

-John Gilkey

"While I've heard only a small portion of all the perfectionist audio preamps in the world, I can confidently say that the Cary SLP 98P is a distinct, and distinctly musical, choice. Far from being another me-too preamp in any way, the Cary rewards the tube-friendly listener with a view on the music that I consider not only to my taste, but truthful. That the Cary is priced fairly for what's gone into it — and a lot lower than most of its worthiest competitors — is no small blessing in itself."

-Art Dudley, Stereophile

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