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RECOMMENDATION and **5 stars** for TAGA Harmony TTA-1000 vacuum tube amplifier by “Hi-Fi Choice” (11-2017).

The charm of tubes

“...From the very first moment **the excellent rhythm of the audio reproduction** is something what is the most enchanting in the sound of this amplifier - the TTA-1000 is **one of the most dynamic amplifiers I have encountered so far...** The signal and amp paths used in the tested amplifier use simplified short-length tracks. TAGA Harmony was supposed to be a kind of **tube amplification essence** and it has succeeded.

The TTA-1000 is suitable for listening to rock and instrumental music, what I found after several Metallica albums, but also the instrumental arrangements of Ronan Hardiman.

TAGA Harmony finishes all the sounds in a particularly nice way, giving them **subtle smoothness and delicate sweetness... offers malleable and colorful sound with a solid bass...** this particular tube amplifier is designed to **drive practically any speaker system.**

The TTA-1000 has one more advantage, namely it offers a solid and precise sound stage - none of the plans is favored over another. I found it when listening to Cassandra Wilson and Diana Krall's vocals, they sounded at full blast and, most importantly, they were not overwhelmed by the accompanying instruments. On the other hand, the second and third plan instruments **created a clear sound stage - the location of each instrument could easily be indicated with a finger.** If only the speakers allow for that, TAGA Harmony will pay off with a **three-dimensional sound scene**, no matter whether we will like to listen to rock, pop or classical music.

The TTA-1000 offers a full and saturated mid-range which nicely fits the high frequencies. Because the mids are slightly exposed and the high frequencies do not impose themselves, the balanced sound is delivered to the listener's ears what results in particularly good wind and string instruments.”

Verdict

“The TTA-1000 is now one of the most purist designs in the TAGA Harmony offer. Featuring the essence of the KT88 tubes, and besides its beautiful and rich timbre, it is able to enchant with accurate and dynamic sound and with an energetic and powerful bass.”



More information about the TAGA Harmony brand and the products is available at www.taga-audio.com