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Loudspeaker up to £1000

ATC SCM12 £1000



ATC has long been associated with low-compromise driver and speaker design, although this always went hand-in-hand with the higher price tags you'd expect from old fashioned bomb-proof engineering. The SCM12 takes an important step for ATC, as its first wideband pro-audio quality passive monitor for less than £1000 (£999 to be precise!). It incorporates all the ingredients for which the company has earned industry respect, like the super-linear motor unit assembly on the main driver; weighty and well-braced cabinet; and a generously specified crossover board. This sealed-box two-way, a large stand-mounted design is truly a chip off the old block. So if you have the necessary amplification — remember that for ATC speakers, neutrality and wide bandwidth come at the expense of relatively low sensitivity — this has to be the most capable loudspeaker under four figures.

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