

Black Rhodium

Stream power cable

AT A RATHER unusual length for a mains cable, the 1.7m Stream should be able to reach most equipment on your rack. The longer length is not just for convenience, though, as Black Rhodium has discovered that optimum sound quality is obtained from cables of an untwisted length of 1.68m. Furthermore, it has discovered that cables in multiples of 1.7m sound superior to cables of slightly greater or lesser length.

Silver service

The cable itself is made from silver-plated copper conductors that are insulated with a low-loss silicone rubber insulation for low dielectric absorption, which the company considers reduces distortions resulting from energy stored in the dielectric. The internal conductors have an absorbent braid covering to help reduce proximity effect magnetic field

distortion. Mechanical vibration suppression materials have also been used in the cable.

The Stream is terminated with high-quality UK 13A and IEC connectors, and can be supplied with Schuko-to-IEC at no extra cost.

I connect the Stream to my valve preamp power supply in place of a standard mains lead and I experience

an improvement in the clarity of the sound and instrument focus. The background seems quieter and this is particularly evident in a recording of Henryk Szeryng playing JS Bach sonatas and partitas for solo violin. Although pricy, the Stream is a superb top-of-the-range mains cable with excellent build quality. **NR**



DETAILS

PRICE
£450 for a 1.7m pair
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OUR VERDICT

