Subject: Re: Quatre 8000 speakers
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A gentleman by the name of Guy Hickey Owned the Company, they were located almost next door to Infinity over on Remmet st. in canoga park if my memory serves me well. The speaker originally came in a flat black finish and later in a nice oak finish. I purchased them along with a Quatre Gain Cell amplifier, wow, what a combo! Guy told me that I should buy an Advent Model 300 Receiver and use it as my preamp along with an Onkyo T9 tuner also recommended by him. He never tried to push Their preamp on me, and in fact insisted that the Model 300 was a better choice because of the apt/holman (copy) of the phono section built into the Advent. I later hooked up with the Qysonic brand of speakers who were designed by Mark Merlino and later Terry Apperly of CBS labs.(the company was owned by Phil Grievs) located in Orange on Rose St. I later went on to work for them when the company was sold to Mowtown Records.What a mistake that was! The speakers were awsome and were some of the earliest D'appolito alignment speakers on the market.They also included a pressure relief system (Laminar Flow Vent). "Neutrality In Sound" was our motto. I still own and from time to time build The Spree, Laug and micro systems and have built some of the Arrays. The last pair I built were highly modified with better drivers (Peerless) than the Hukatone woofers we used to use back then. Also a better midrange and tweeter combo. The supertweeter I opted for was an Leaf Design. I used 1 1/4" MDF with heavy bracing. What fun it was back then. Actually still is. I now work for Magnolia Audio Video and try to pattern myself after people like Guy Hickey.