Subject: Re: Rubik's Cube Speaker
Posted by AudioFred on Fri, 01 Jul 2011 11:32:44 GMT
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audioaudio90 wrote on Tue, 28 June 2011 11:13 I like the speaker too but then, sadly, I am a nerd. I wonder how it sounds though. Novelty speakers often are more about looks than quality.

Form follows function, and the purpose of this speaker is to be the cutest and coolest monaural speaker that requires no external amplification, can be connected to an Ipod or MP3 player, and can be sold for $29.99. It performs this function exceptionally well.

But if the function is changed, and the revised purpose is to be the best-sounding stereo speaker pair that can be sold for $29.99, I would vote for the Parts Express Dayton Audio B652 speaker. Actually, the B652 is regularly $34.50, and it is $30 only when it's on sale, which is often.

The Rubiks cube is a single 3-1/2" cube. The B652 is a pair of 11-13/16" x 7-1/16" x 6-7/16" speakers with a 6.5" woofer and a separte tweeter. The crossover consists of a 3uF electrolytic cap in series with the tweeter and the woofer runs full range. Because of this crude and inadequate crossover the response is ragged, and there's no bass below 70hz, but if you have some kind of amplifier to power it, and sound is more important to you than coolness the B652 is a better choice.

http://www.parts-express.com/pe/showdetl.cfm?Partnumber=300-652

Here's a review (when this was written it was on sale for $25):
http://news.cnet.com/8301-13645_3-20005175-47.html?tag=mncol;1n