Subject: Re: Empire 598 Turntable

Posted by gofar99 on Thu, 16 Jul 2015 19:15:02 GMT

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Hi Wayne, Since the photo, I was able to re-mount the original arm rest so it now resides where the level was. I'm waiting on the special bulbs that go inside it. They send a beam on the platter to illuminate the stylus so you can land it where you desire.

How does it stack up with new stuff.... quite well. Now to be fair it uses a modern arm. My guess is that it will play with ones up to about \$2000-2500. The mechanism is very quiet. I measured -65dbv on a test LP at low frequencies (below 200HZ) and an average of over -80dbv above that. The speed adjustment brought it to right on 3150HZ with occasional jumps to 3160. A really solid stable platform. A good match for the Origin Live arm and AT33PTG/II.

Yes there probably needs to be a 12 step for audio folks. With 5 turntables, two tape recorders and a very large but unknown quantity of amps and speakers I probably need it.