
Subject: Re: More info, please.

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Hey Poinz, I found out some more about this unit since my last post. First, it's available in the U.S. from Vacuum Tube Valley for around \$350. I think this was originally a kit sort of affair from the guys on the Wired State forum, based in the Phillipines. No kits now I'm thinking. I got surprisingly little information from the Wired State forum. A fellow from VT Valley wrote me and it seems like the thing is very nicely wired inside: Black Gates, high quality resistors, all that. This USA version is of course 110V compatible. The problem for me was there are only 2 inputs. Since I run a tuner, phono, and a CD...it was not feasible for me. Currently the guys at Wired State have what looks like a Tono 300B project going on. Worth checking out. Looks nice, but I'll stick with my 2A3 based amps. I do have a photo of the Tono Preamp somewhere and if you're really, really interested I could send it to you offline. I'm shopping around a bit for preamps -- or might be content if I could just get my Foreplay 2 a little more quiet. Then I could forget about something new. Others under consideration are the Foreplay 3 and Hagerman's (hagtech.com) "Clarinet". Both look pretty nice and are supposed to be quiet. Mark
