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Subject: Re: TAD KT88, Mullard  
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Wayne Parham wrote on Mon, 28 July 2025 08:43

Thanks for the review on the Mullard KT88 tubes! I think I'll get a pair and give 'em a listen!

Before you do Wayne, I just compared the new Mullards to the Winged C KT88s for a more complete review.

I like the Mullards better.

The WC KT88s are softer sounding, which is probably better for many.

The Mullard KT88s have a cleaner, sharper leading edge, midrange that is not as soft sounding, and has taught bass compared to other tubes, so conducive toward live sound,

but, if one does not use large enough coupling and decoupling capacitors in their preamps and amps, the sound may, probably will, sound lean, appearing to lack bottom end.

I use 2uf coupling caps in my 2 stage monoblocks and 6ufd output caps set with 22k ohm impedance (including amp's input impedance (Z) as my output capacitors in my preamplifier as an initial reference point to see how I dealt with the lower frequencies.

Of course the decoupling capacitors affect the low frequency response as well.

Cheers

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