Subject: suitcase record player

Posted by rogerking on Fri, 06 Apr 2012 11:22:20 GMT

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I remember my parents had one of these when I was growing up and I am thinking about getting one again. Something that I can show my kids of what we had well before ipods and all the gadgets they are growing up with now. I have no idea what model they had, I only remember the dusty gold color. Anyone know much about these?

Subject: Re: suitcase record player

Posted by gofar99 on Sun, 08 Apr 2012 02:05:48 GMT

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Hi There were several. Probably the best of them was from Cambridge Audio. Others from companies like VM, RCA, Decca were fairly good. I would prowl places like ebay and thrift and pawn shops. You might score one rather cheaply. Most will not be even close to current players but then the price will be a lot less. Nealy all the old ones used ceramic or crystal pickups and while not as common as back then some are still available. I would not risk any LP on whatever came with anything you got unless the seller would guarantee that it was new.

Subject: Re: suitcase record player

Posted by audioaudio90 on Tue, 10 Apr 2012 14:37:06 GMT

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I'd forgotten all about suitcase record players: what a blast from the past! I agree that you could probably find one pretty cheaply at a thrift store or yard sale if you are patient.

Subject: Re: suitcase record player

Posted by maggie on Fri, 13 Apr 2012 11:52:59 GMT

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I remember the RCA's and I have even seen a few going really cheap online. I am guessing they are not by collectors because some of the prices seem very slim!

Subject: Re: suitcase record player

Posted by iLoveiPod on Wed, 18 Apr 2012 19:20:46 GMT

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Subject: Re: suitcase record player

Posted by maggie on Wed, 18 Apr 2012 20:01:33 GMT

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I remember having one that was about the average size of a normal suitcase from the 70's & 80's. I would love to get my hands on another one, husband is a fan and we never find any at good prices!

Subject: Re: suitcase record player

Posted by LoveJB on Thu, 19 Apr 2012 00:40:42 GMT

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I remember these too when I was a kid. What a great memory! It's amazing at how much technology has changed since we were kids. Heck technology changes every day!

Subject: Re: suitcase record player

Posted by timron on Thu, 19 Apr 2012 03:43:48 GMT

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Re: suitcase record player Wed, 18 April 2012 14:20

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I had no idea that it would be so easy to find one of these old suitcase-style record players! I would have thought that they were collectibles now and as such, would be much harder to find! I'm also surprised by how relatively inexpensive they are, being vintage audio equipment. I'm going to look into this; maybe I'll buy one!

Subject: Re: suitcase record player

Posted by love2play on Fri, 27 Apr 2012 16:35:50 GMT

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I remember these! My parents had one, and I even had my own smaller version in my room for awhile and it was pink! I am 90% sure my parents still have it up in their attic too. Now I am going

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