Subject: Best iPod "Boombox" Portable System?
Posted by VoigtClub on Sat, 03 Nov 2012 03:03:35 GMT
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I was just reminded of a couple of years ago when I was doing some teaching jobs and needed a good portable "boombox" style system with near-audiophile quality sound.

After reading lots of reviews and trying out a number of systems, the best competitors being the Bose SoundDock and Altec IM9, I settled on another very impressive system (whose name escapes me at the moment) that unlike the desktop systems, would pack flat into a file box (8x11" and about 3" thick) -- which was perfect for a traveling teacher. Once I took it apart and treated the innards with proper damping, it was pretty impressive.

It's now a few years later... and I'm again curious what are the best portable boombox type systems that can deliver audio that an audiophile wouldn't cringe at.

Anyone?

Subject: Re: Best iPod "Boombox" Portable System?
Posted by Kenwoody on Mon, 15 Apr 2013 23:54:23 GMT
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I'm curious about this as well. I have heard that Logitech is making really good portable iPod systems now, but I have yet to listen to one for myself. Bose systems have always been an audiophile's friend though, so I would imagine they have a premium sound system for iPods as well.

Subject: Re: Best iPod "Boombox" Portable System?
Posted by timron on Tue, 16 Apr 2013 19:38:29 GMT
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Subject: Re: Best iPod "Boombox" Portable System?
Posted by iLoveiPod on Fri, 26 Apr 2013 20:55:49 GMT
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I've never heard of Fluance before, but I've been in the market for a portable iPod dock/speaker for a while now, so I will definitely have to check this out. We're going on vacation in about four months and I'd love to be able to take it with us so we can listen to music in the hotel room.