Subject: What's the difference?
Posted by Tikki on Fri, 24 Nov 2017 08:41:52 GMT
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I have a quick question for you guys. I've never actually used (or seen...) a cassette tape player or a vinyl record player but I do hear about some people who still like to play music on them.

Is the quality the same as the CDs we have today? If not, then what is the point of having one?

Subject: Re: What's the difference?
Posted by johnnycamp5 on Fri, 24 Nov 2017 20:58:18 GMT
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I believe the difference is the record or tape player is an analog source.

The arguments on which is better are never ending.

Which you prefer is a matter of taste.
I think most audiophiles have both analog and digital source gear for their music.

Subject: Re: What's the difference?
Posted by gofar99 on Fri, 24 Nov 2017 21:40:39 GMT
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Hi, I believe there are actually 2 questions involved here. One is either cassette or vinyl better in terms of measurable performance. Like signal to noise and response. No. In terms of sonic experience then the answer is up to the user. They are analog and do sound different. Is that better or worse than digital? Like mentioned in an earlier answer that is the subject of endless discussion. I personally prefer vinyl, but also have cassette, reel to reel tape, CD (HDCD, SACD and a few other odd formats), as well as DVD audio. I personally don't believe that the format is the key issue.....it is IMO whether or not the individual is happy with it.