Subject: Garrott Optim FGS + RB300- Compatible??
Posted by Chris Denyer on Sat, 10 Sep 2005 02:28:00 GMT
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I know that the RB300 arm is a mid mass arm, but I am not totally sure of the complience of this garrot cart.Does anyone know whether these are a decent match? I have the rb300, and really want to try this cartridge, as I have heard great things about it.Chris

Subject: Re: Garrott Optim FGS + RB300- Compatible??
Posted by Manualblock on Sat, 10 Sep 2005 18:12:45 GMT
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What makes this cartridge more appealing to you than; say a Denon or some other good medium mass compatible cartridge?

Subject: Re: Garrott Optim FGS + RB300- Compatible??
Posted by Chris Denyer on Sat, 10 Sep 2005 20:15:52 GMT
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Nothing really- apart from the fact my dealer sings it's praises, and some glowing reviews I have read.

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Posted by Manualblock on Sat, 10 Sep 2005 23:31:50 GMT
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Good a reason as any. The Garrott Bros. don't own this name anymore though; do they?

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Posted by Chris Denyer on Sat, 10 Sep 2005 23:40:05 GMT
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Hi manualblock,Good question, and I am unable to answer it, I recently had a Koetsu cart retipped

by the mob in Melbourne,I am not sure what name they go by-maybe Tivoli Hi Fi.And they did a super job too.Chris

Subject: Re: Garrott Optim FGS + RB300- Compatible??
Posted by Manualblock on Sun, 11 Sep 2005 08:20:19 GMT
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Mind if I ask about what they charged for that service. I have a Fidelity Research I have always loved and it could do with a re-tip; I just never felt comfortable diving in.

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Posted by Chris Denyer on Sun, 11 Sep 2005 09:04:28 GMT
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Not at all.All up it cost me $715 Aust dollars.They waived the $45 inspection fee when I went ahead with the re-tip.Koetsu Surcharge-$330MicroScanner II stylus $385I can't quite put my finger on the subtle changes of cart since I have had it back, but I am very happy with their service.Took about a month to get it back.

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Posted by Manualblock on Sun, 11 Sep 2005 13:01:55 GMT
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Thanks for the info. Why is there a surcharge for the Koetsu? Or is that a charge that applies to each brand according to difficulty?

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Posted by Chris Denyer on Sun, 11 Sep 2005 19:21:56 GMT
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A couple of brands attract a surcharge, here a link from my local dealers website:In Aust dollars of course.www.decibelhifi.com.au/category28_1.htm

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Thanks Soundfan; you sound like a reasonable guy; I'll try that site for my FR.

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Posted by Chris Denyer on Mon, 12 Sep 2005 06:07:48 GMT
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Don't just take my word for it.Google it and I think you will find they have many many fans worldwide in regards to the retipping they do.