
Subject: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [stoli](#) on Wed, 02 Dec 2020 00:03:40 GMT

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Any ETA on the 3Pi flat packs? Would save me a bunch of time in cold garage this winter. :lol:

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 02 Dec 2020 00:53:47 GMT

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Not yet. The cabinet shop is swamped. But they're definitely going to be made available as soon as we can get through all the backlogged orders.

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Speqtre](#) on Thu, 03 Dec 2020 14:10:52 GMT

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Put me down for 3 as soon as they're available!

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [stoli](#) on Sun, 20 Dec 2020 02:33:36 GMT

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Put me down for two please.

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Mon, 08 Feb 2021 17:21:32 GMT

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The cabinet shop has started working on the three Pi flat packs. So we should have some available soon. I'll post back here with updates and news.

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Speqtre](#) on Tue, 20 Apr 2021 17:10:42 GMT

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Any news? It's been over two months...

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 20 Apr 2021 20:55:03 GMT

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Not yet. The shop stays pretty busy, and filling orders has to take priority over new development. But I expect to hear something soon, 'cause they're working on some three Pi cabinets right now. Not too much a stretch to turn that into a flat-pack kit - Just add instructions and voilà! - Flat-pack kits!

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Spectre](#) on Wed, 21 Apr 2021 16:32:46 GMT

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Thanks Wayne!

Looking forward to voilà becoming voicj! :d

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Spectre](#) on Tue, 15 Jun 2021 21:14:40 GMT

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8 weeks later... crickets

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 15 Jun 2021 21:44:31 GMT

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Yes, the cabinet shop is running behind, even on filling orders. So new product development is even more behind.

What's more painful is the backorders for drivers are running really slowly these days. I thought we were over the hump a few months back, but not so for Eminence. They used to ship so quickly but now they're really slow.

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Sun, 02 Jan 2022 21:35:10 GMT

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I have some very good news!

They're available on the shopping cart right now:

What's really cool is the flat-pack kits come in three options, rather than two:

1. Surface mount
2. Flush mount
3. Recessed grille, like shown below

Grille frames are also available for the third option. The grille fabric isn't supplied - you must add your own - but that lets you choose a color and pattern that matches your wood grain and finish.

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Genifer Teal](#) on Wed, 05 Jan 2022 19:29:50 GMT

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What are the dimensions of this cabinet? I think I saw 20x30x14

Does the grill option include the outer material as in the picture or just the grille to fit inside the lighter color recessed area?

Is the first cabinet option just holes cut for the drivers.

I have borrowed a router (for another purpose) How easy is it to make the recess to flush mount the drivers?

How is that recessed area created on the front? The U shape? Is that part of the kit design?

What is currently available? Looking for 3 flat packs maybe with B&C drivers.

Would a QSC DCA 1824 Power 3 of these ok? do I need more power like the DCA 1644?

Are these speakers too nice for those amps?

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 05 Jan 2022 23:29:31 GMT

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run them on amps with as little as 1.5 watts output capacity and they sound good. But I think they lack dynamic range with that small of an amplifier.

Most people using them for home theater run at least 100 watts, but some are satisfied with less. As I said, 10 watts is the minimum I would recommend.

Dimensions are 30"x20"x14".

The surface mount option has mounting holes for the midwoofer and waveguide. This option has a plain flat baffle.

Flush mounting requires the baffle to be routed, creating a grooved edge for the driver and the waveguide to fit into. It also requires extra material on the back of the baffle in these areas to provide extra strength and depth for mounting hardware.

The grille option just includes the grille frame. You must add the fabric. The grille option(s) are what are shown in the photo above, although the grille itself isn't shown, just the baffle.

The grille fits flush into the recessed area of the baffle when the "recessed baffle" option is chosen. Surface mount and flush mount options don't include this feature. But the "recessed grille" option includes flush mount routing for the driver and waveguide.

All options are acoustically equivalent - all sound the same - and the differences are purely aesthetic.

These kits are available now. The cabinet shop would ship within a week or so.

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs
Posted by [Genifer Teal](#) on Thu, 06 Jan 2022 04:31:49 GMT
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Sounds like if I want to make the front all smooth fabric, I should choose option 1 or 2. I would need to make my own 20x30 frame.

Subject: Re: 3Pi Flat Packs
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Thu, 06 Jan 2022 15:00:12 GMT
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Yes, that's right.