Subject: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by Bob Lo on Tue, 30 Jan 2007 19:12:14 GMT
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Does any one know anything about Paradox TA-12 speakers? They were made by Sonic Energy System back in 197x. I came across a pair in very good condition and would like to restore them. Would it worth my effort? The quality of the sound is great.There is an article about this speaker in March 1977 issue of High Fidelity magazine. Anyone has read the article and can share a copy?Any help to find out about these speakers are appreciated.ThanksBob

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by george brunson on Fri, 14 Mar 2008 02:58:26 GMT
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still have the ta-12's?

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by Richard McCluskey on Sun, 01 Feb 2009 18:23:03 GMT
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What do you mean by restore them?The Paradox TA-12 had astounding imaging, clarity, and dynamic range for a speaker in it's price range. They were more a product of the art of the technology not the science of the technology, a lucky combination of drivers with near perfect compliment. Therefore replacing the drivers or even reconing might destroy the magic.RMc

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by Bob Lo on Tue, 31 Mar 2009 01:37:53 GMT
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I still have them. I just refoamed the speakers and they sound great. Are you interested in them?

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by Bob Lo on Tue, 31 Mar 2009 01:43:20 GMT
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I still have them. Just refoamed and I need to buy new speaker cloth.

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by fubar on Wed, 23 Feb 2011 05:44:23 GMT
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I once owned paradox speakers and would be interested in purchasing yours. Also i own a marantz model7 preamp tube and iplan to sell it!

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by danger-russ on Mon, 20 Jun 2011 23:56:36 GMT
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i joined this site just to find out something about these amazing speakers!! i got mine for 20 bucks and just had to refoam the woofers!! but i still no nothing about them. i'd like to know the history,what thy're worth etc. (i don't think i'll ever sell em though!). these speakers have stopped my search for the perfect sounding loudspeaker. ive ran through a few,i really like my altec lansing model 14's but really these blow them away!!...i'm still stunned when i play them. i'm a TOOL fan and these speakers were made to play thier music!!!..heres my email please let me know what you have found out about these big ol miracles!!!....eugenedean@hotmail.com...thank you!!

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by cvw77069 on Sat, 11 Aug 2012 12:01:41 GMT
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I have a pair of the TA-12's I bought used about 15 years ago. They are by far the best sounding speakers I've ever owned. The woofers were wasted so I replaced them with 60oz magnets, awesome sound. I wish I could find another pair for my surround sound system.

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by danger-russ on Wed, 19 Sep 2012 05:08:41 GMT
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if your serious about buying a pair of ta 12's. maybe we could work something out. the cabients show thier age and the woofers have been reconed but they still sound awesome the mids and tweeters are in perfect shape,the adjustment knobs for the highs and mids are missing but i do have the grills. e mail me at eugenedean@hotmail.com. i live in the omaha /c.b. area...my name is russ..thanks....i can send pics when or if u want!!

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by stereonutz on Tue, 05 Mar 2013 20:45:46 GMT
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I know this is an old thread but wanted to see if anyone can give me more info about the TA-12's. I got a pair receintly and love them. they are in EXCELLENT condition. Very well taken care of.purchased them to resale, but am thinking of hanging on to them. any more info will be greatly appreciated

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by fubar on Tue, 05 Mar 2013 22:07:53 GMT
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So glad to see someone else has the pleasure of the T12's !
I bought mine in B'ham Al. about 1974 or 75 from Lawrence Stereo. Mr. Lawrence had just returned from a stereo show somewhere out west , heard these speakers and brought them home. Keep in mind that Lawrence is a big time advocate of McIntosh in all forms .... only high end stuff in his store. The T12's ate up every speaker in the store ! I've never heard a better speaker for presence and clarity . My system at the time was a Bose amp , B&O turntable , McIntosh C26 preamp and of corse those beatiful Paradox speakers . I don't know why time aligned speakers (esp. those speakers) havn't had more press . I know I'm probobly waxing poetic but that's the best damn speaker I've ever heard ! Enjoy !!

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by stereonutz on Wed, 06 Mar 2013 01:59:40 GMT
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Wow, thanks for the great story my friend. I knew right away when I found them at My local Goodwill store. I saw them from across the store, and actually ran to them. They are in Excellent condition, including the grills and woofer surrounds(I was totally amazed about the surrounds). There are no scratches or dings on the cabinets. They truly look almost new. I paid $80 for them. I knew that had to be a steal. I am listening to them connected to a Sony STR-DE635 receiver. I'm sure they would sound even better with something vintage. I can't afford Macintosh gear as I am on disability and income is very tight. What do you or anyone else out there suggest for me to power them with that would be a noticeable improvement from what I have going on now? Also, do you know the power handling capabilities? Any other specs would be appreciated. Do you have users manual by any chance? Thanks for your response

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by cvw77069 on Wed, 06 Mar 2013 10:07:12 GMT
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I've got a pair of TA-12s I might part with. $150 for the pair, they sound awesome.

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by jjgrit@cox.net on Sun, 21 Jul 2013 22:19:33 GMT
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do you still have the speakers for sale ? ,i have my pair i purchased in 1977 paid 660 pr. the best speakers i ever owned .i have a pair of Klipsch rf7 that dont compare

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by jjgrit@cox.net on Mon, 22 Jul 2013 22:06:53 GMT
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do u have the ta12's for sale ? are they all original ?

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by cvw77069 on Mon, 22 Jul 2013 23:05:36 GMT
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I still have them. All the drivers have been replaced. They look OK and sound great.

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by jjgrit@cox.net on Mon, 22 Jul 2013 23:31:43 GMT
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oh so the woofers and such are all different now , damn im lookin for somebody that has an original woofer cone so i can detect mine , i changed one out many yrs ago and cant tell which is the original lol oh well . i bought mine in 77 brand new

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers
Posted by cvw77069 on Mon, 22 Jul 2013 23:40:31 GMT
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I replaced the woofers with polypropelene cones and oversized the magnets, improved the sound immensly. The original drivers were 70's technology so I upgraded to 90's technology. A great improvement in the sound.

Subject: Re: Paradox TA-12 Time Aligned Speakers

Posted by jjgrit@cox.net on Mon, 22 Jul 2013 23:46:17 GMT
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very cool what brand or did u have them built custom ?