



IsoTek V5 Titan

WINNER
POWER CONDITIONER



Aside from the new, more rounded bodywork of the latest line, the most obvious visible change to the IsoTek V5 Titan is the move from two power sockets to three. But, beneath that more elegant exterior, the V5 Titan now offers 153,000A of surge protection and 75,000A continuous protection and an easy-reset RCBO fuse system. It still uses a Direct Coupled fully star-earthed architecture with a large input transformer and four smaller output transformers. However, the V5 Titan now seals many of the larger components in resin, all those transformers are reworked designs, and the PCBs have undergone a 50% increase in copper-loading. Little wonder then that IsoTek's suggestion of two-fold inductance upgrade, an 80% increase in current handling, and the improvement in amperage and reduction of resistance sounds right.

There is even a new System Link output, which allows multiple IsoTek conditioners to connect to a single wall socket while retaining a star-earth architecture across the whole system.

In our test, Alan Sircom felt that, "For power amplifiers in particular, this is the best of both possible worlds; the transformer is helping deliver a smoother power to the amplifier and this power is treated to filtration that at once works and doesn't interfere with the sonic performance of the amp."

He said, "No more grey flatness. No more hobbled rhythms. Your amp sounds better from cleaner juice without the sonic clamp imposed on the sound by the filter itself." That's what the V5 Titan took away from the sound: "Once you've (not) heard it working, it's hard to go back," Alan quipped to conclude the review.

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