

Audio Research Reference Phono 2 SE

When it comes to phonostage preamplifiers, ARC has perhaps the most distinguished pedigree of all high-end companies. With the Ref Phono 2, it outdid itself, producing the single most natural-sounding phonostage in company history. The new SE version, with doubled power-supply capacitance, is even better, with higher resolution of inner detail (both musical and spatial), superior imaging, greater dynamic range, and denser tone color top to bottom. ARC has replaced a classic with another classic. JV, 229