

BEST TUBE LINE - RAMF Denver 2008

Like most high-quality, high value tube components, we assumed Ayon was made in China. NAY! Ayon is designed and made in **Austria!**

The moment we entered this huge room, our reaction was a unanimous "Wow!". **Charles Harrison**, who imports the line for North America, did a magnificent job in implementing this display which was a treat for the eyes as well as the ears. While this European gear is not at the bottom end of price ranges (more towards the lower mid), the quality is up there with the big, meg-buck boys. Note the unusual tube types used in these Class A, triode amps.

Ayon makes FIVE different tube integrated amps, THREE different tube monoblocks, TWO pre amps and TWO tube CD players and





High in the running for Best Sound was this system (Crossfire integrated below) driving Maxxhorn Lumination speakers (\$28,000/pr) with Feastrex Alnico drivers.



TOP LEFT: Crossfire SET integrated amplifier - \$9,995
30Wpc, 2 x AA62B output tubes
4 x 6H30 signal & driver tubes

TOP RIGHT: Spark SET integrated amplifier - \$4,995
20Wpc, 2 x 6C33 output tubes
2 x 6H30 driver tubes, 2 x 12AU7 pre tubes



Pictured above, appropriately on the top shelf, are Ayon's best "Typhon" monos. Get a load of these features for \$12,800/pair:



The Ayon Spirit integrated is on its way to us now for review. One of many Ayon reviews to come, we hope.



Top of the line, two box CD 3 - \$6,999



Ayon CD-1 \$4,299



Ayon also makes their own power tubes in the Czech Republic.