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Leema Acoustics was originally founded in 1998 by two ex-BBC engineers, Lee Taylor and Mallory Nicholls.

Their first project focussed on pushing the boundaries of loudspeaker design, determined to develop a speaker that out performed it's physical size.

They began four years of intense work, culminating in the Xen. Xen was originally intended for the professional audio market, but as word spread, the domestic market beckoned.

Following the success of their first product, Mallory and Lee decided to turn their expertise to audio electronics.

The Tucana Integrated Amplifier, was released early in 2006. Later that same year it won the coveted Hi Fi News amplifier of the year.



The Antila CD player followed shortly after, almost immediately winning the What Hi-Fi Sound & Vision best CD player award in 2007.

More products joined the Constellation family, which continues to be the Leema flagship range.

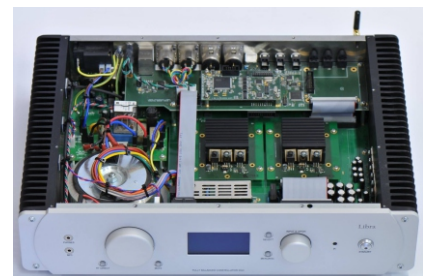
Later, the Elements Range was introduced, offering the same hand made in Wales quality in a smaller package and at a more affordable price point.

Leema launched the Essentials Phonostage, winning multiple awards, and stunning with it's capabilities at such a diminutive size.



2014 saw great change for Leema, upping sticks from their original facility and joining forces with their long time manufacturing partner Davlec Limited.

The move allowed the production and design teams to bring together decades of experience under one roof, and move Leema forward into the new digital age of Hi-Fi.



In 2016, work began on the Stellar range, fitting neatly between the Constellation and Elements product lines.

The Quasar was launched to great acclaim, and was soon followed by the Pulse and Stream IV.

Leema continues to develop new product for all ranges, embracing new technology whilst maintaining their core design philosophies.



The Constellation Series



Launched in 2006, Leema's classic premium range quickly established a reputation for award winning high-performance audio equipment. Outstanding build quality with an elegant and timeless design, coupled with an enormous current delivery providing subtlety, finesse and transparency, resulting in a high end experience second to none.

The latest in this range are the Tucana and Hydra Anniversary models, celebrating 10 years since their original release. These products have been upgraded internally from the PCB up, and include a high finish chrome plated anniversary badge on their front panels. Both the Hydra and the Tucana in their Anniversary forms have been incredibly well received, winning a host of Best Buy awards and 5 Star Reviews.

"All-in-all, it has barged it's way into the Best Buy category for HIFICRITIC"
Martin Colloms on the Tucana Anniversary



"To use a car analogy, it may have the muscle-car horsepower to smoke tyres at the traffic lights, but instead it gets the power on the road and leaves the boy racers behind scratching their heads... Rarely do so many musical virtues come together in such a coherent whole.."

Chris Ward writing at Hi-Fi Choice about the Hydra Anniversary

"We auditioned the Sirius via its onboard DAC.. The results were very appealing indeed, the Sirius has a light touch that is rare in digital audio, it seems to leave very little mark on the music by neither adding nor detracting from the signal.. I love the way that you get so much openness with the Sirius, it seems to let a lot more light in than usual which shows up all the texture and subtleties in the music."

Jason Kennedy writing the ear about the Sirius Music Server in his 5 star review

The full Constellation range comprises:

- Tucana II** Stereo Amplifier
- Tucana Anniversary Edition** Amplifier
- Antila IIS Eco** CD Player
- Libra** Precision DAC
- Hydra** Power Amplifier
- Hydra Anniversary Edition** Power Amplifier
- Pyxis** Pre-Amplifier
- Agena** Phonostage
- Sirius** Music Server



All units available in Silver and Black finishes

The Stellar Series

Leema's Stellar series has undergone a complete redesign, which began with the launch of the Quasar integrated amplifier in 2016. The Quasar is capable of an astonishing 190 watts per channel RMS into 8 Ohms, and also offers a built in DAC and built in Bluetooth and streaming capabilities.

The Quasar was then followed in 2018 by the Pulse IV Amplifier. A mighty Class A/B amplifier cut from the same cloth as its predecessor the Pulse III, the Pulse IV offers 80 watts RMS per channel into 8 Ohms. The amplifier also includes a Phonostage based on the award winning Essentials phono, an ESS Sabre DAC and is Bluetooth enabled.



2019 sees the launch of the partner to the Pulse, the Stream IV source. Comprising an advanced high-resolution 24-bit/192kHz streaming module, a Stream Unlimited CD mech and a high-quality ESS 9018 Sabre DAC, the Stream IV really is a CD player for the streaming age.



"There are times when the Quasar feels entirely competitive with rivals that cost a great deal more, and it would be challenging to assemble separates capable of out performing it for the same amount of money.. this is an outstanding product at the asking price that really deserves to be on any shortlist."

Ed Selley awarding the Quasar a five star review and a Hi-Fi Choice Recommendation

"At a shade over £2,000 the Leema Pulse certainly has a lot going for it. Firstly its hand-crafted build quality is faultless. Then you have the dazzling array of inputs, both analogue and digital. the DAC is impressive, and Bluetooth is a handy inclusion for those who need it. However, for me, the star of this show is the phono stage."

The Leema Pulse IV is a really great all-rounder (I even gave my aged TEAC cassette player a spin). Thanks to a solid performance in every arena and a sterling phono stage at an extremely reasonable asking price, it was deemed worthy of a StereoNET Applause Award."

The team at StereoNET UK on their award for the Pulse IV



The full Stellar range comprises:

- Quasar** Integrated Amplifier & All in One
- Pulse IV** Integrated Amplifier
- Stream IV** CD Player and Digital Source

All units available in Silver and Black finishes

The Elements Series



Sporting a smart and stylish half size form factor, the Elements range of products provide a comprehensive range of facilities together with performance that easily exceeds that claimed by the majority of full size separates.

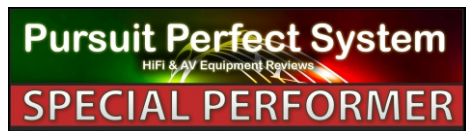
Easy to set up and control, the Elements range is ideal for customers looking for audiophile performance where space is at a premium, at a competitive pricing point.

Originally comprising an integrated amplifier, CD player and DAC, the Elements range has expanded to include a class leading Phonostage, Pre and Power Amplifiers, and most recently in 2019 a compact Streamer.

"It is built to Leema's usual bombproof (and Tony-proof) standards, looks good and sounds lovely, and as such is unequivocally recommended." - Tony Bolton

"Input noise was very low too, just 0.07 uV (equivalent input noise, IEC A weighted) which is as quiet as an MC stage gets, even with input transformers." - Noel Keywood

"It will also give a lot of the competition at this price a serious headache." - Tony Bolton
The team at Hi-Fi World on awarding the Elements Ultra Phonostage a 5 globe rating



"I will admit I started the review with a low expectation due to the size of the case and the on paper power rating, call it Audiophile snobbery, I am guilty. I am finishing the review full of admiration for the Leema elements and now an apt phrase for my preconception is Audiophile foolishness, I won't make that mistake again. The Leema Acoustics Elements integrated amplifier is a quality product.."

The Leema Acoustics Elements is very difficult to fault, as an overall product it strikes a lovely balance of just about everything and has to be on your demo short list."

Terry Ellis at Pursuit Perfect system dubbing our Elements Integrated the "Mighty Mouse" of Amplifiers

".. sonically Leema Acoustics' Elements Streamer gets a great deal right and is pretty much impossible to fault. Its combination of warmth, refinement, detail and drive that strikes an almost perfect balance with every kind of networked music mean it warrants a thorough audition."

Ed Selley writing at Hi-Fi Choice on the Elements Streamer



The full Elements range comprises:

Integrated Amplifier
Power Amplifier
Pre-Amplifier
DAC
Ultra Phonostage
CD Player
Streamer



All units available in Silver and Black finishes

The Essentials Phonostage



The Essentials Phonostage might come in a small package, but it manages to do a whole lot from that tiny space. Based on the same phonostage Leema used in its much bigger brother from the Constellation range, the Agena, it was designed not to just compete favourably with its competitors, but to completely overshadow them.

The unit is switchable for use with both moving coil and moving magnet cartridges and also includes a switchable low frequency filter.

The Essentials Phono was met with an excellent critical reception from its launch date, and continues to delight.

Declaring it "Best Buy", the-ear.net said

"If you want to add engagement and hear more of the inner detail from the groove the Essential is a class act at a competitive price."



What Hi-Fi? Sound & Vision: Best Phono Stage, 2011



"...the Essentials put in a consistently strong performance with all types of music..."

"...the Leema has a sense of timing and control that makes it easy to listen to..."

"The low noise floor and impressive microdynamics were also remarked upon..."

"Throw in the solid build the ability to handle moving coil cartridges, and you have a most worthy group winner."
Awarding it 5 Stars, the Essentials Phono Stage was Hi-Fi Choice Group winner, January 2013.