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**creaktiv**

Exclusive Audio Furniture



**TREND aktiv plus**



TREND 1



TREND 2



TREND TV



TREND 3

**FAZIT**

**Just like every component, also the rack must match the characteristics of the chain.**

Naturally, a rack cannot be judged by the same criteria as for instance an amplifier or other parts of the chain. The hi-fi rack is always also a piece of furniture and will be noticed as one – at least as long as the system is not turned on.

Under this point of view especially the two models from Creaktiv and Musik Tools score, which show the most furniture qualities with their excellent workmanship and discreet proportions. Only a short way behind follows the Empire. The two test models

**Only a vertical hi-fi rack can fully unfold its sound. So keep a spirit level at hand.**

from Solidsteel and Solid Tech can't really be classified, since they are quite special with their pragmatic and very technical charm.

The acoustic side is easier, where the Trend Aktiv is the clear all-round winner in the testing field. No rival can match its delicate details and the harmonious colors. But right behind lurk the three cabinets from Solid-Tech, Musik Tools and Solidsteel, which have more distinctive characteristics and for this reason cannot be the ideal solution for all cases.

The Music Tools is an excellent "sound accelerator" that brings more speed and agility to the image. The robust Solidsteel sounds more colorful and makes an excellent room image, which floats relaxed and at the same time open in the listening room. The Solid Tech is positioned somewhere in-between, as, thanks to different technologies, its levels show different acoustic characteristics. Do not misunderstand: Even our „tail end Charlie“ by Empire is a very good choice, makes colorful and lively music, but sees the taillights in individual disciplines. But then – the others are clearly more expensive.

**RACKS IN COMPARISON**

**EMPIRE PRECISION**

Sound	good
Workmanship	very good

**CREAKTIV TREND AKTIV**

Sound	excellent
Workmanship	excellent

**MUSIC TOOLS ALICA**

Sound	very good
Workmanship	excellent

**SOLIDSTEEL 6.3**

Sound	very good
Workmanship	very good

**SOLID TECH REFERENCE**

Sound	very good
Workmanship	very good