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MAGNAT SIGNATURE 909 – ESSENTIAL PILLARS

"HiFi that is better than HiFi is referred to as "high-end" in insider circles. This is exactly how the Signature 909 from Magnat sounds. However, you will not have to pay a corresponding surcharge for the pleasure. Why such darn good speakers come from Pulheim in the Rhineland…"

"Pure theory is all well and good; what speakers do in practice is what really counts. Before this practical testing phase, the developers put in a lot of physical work. Together with the base plates and spikes, the 909s stand 122 cm tall and weigh in at 37 kg each. The solid housing takes its toll on the person setting up the speakers. Correctly positioned and connected, the 909s were let loose in the editorial office; and they did so with all of their might."

"The two 20 cm bass units produce an impressive level of precision."

"There hasn't been a reason to invest in new speakers for a long time; the Signature 909 is the exception to this."

"Beautiful and fine. The Signature 909 series really can be described in such a succinct and accurate manner. However, the best comes - as is so often the case - at the very end. These one meter high sound sculptures, which will probably be the last speakers you ever need, are priced fairly by Magnat at €1,700 per unit. This works out at just under €46 per kilo, which is significantly less than you would need to spend for a good fillet steak. And we all know that fillet has a pretty bad carbon footprint."

Conclusion:

"A 4-way floorstanding speaker with double tweeter configuration for frequencies up to 50,000 Hz? This may sound like voodoo, but it has solid, physiological foundations. Regardless, the Signature 909 is one of the best speakers around that you can treat yourself to with a clear conscience."

Read the full test report at plugged 12/19.