



Introduction

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Welcome to the Étude Quickstart Guide. This shortened guide is supplementary to the main manual which should be referred to for full safety and operational information.

Please note, more information on any of these topics is listed within the full manual found under the product page:

chordelectronics.co.uk/product/etude

Warranty

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The Étude comes with a comprehensive 5-year warranty. To activate this warranty, please register your device via the Chord Electronics website:

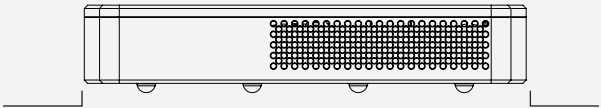
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Placement

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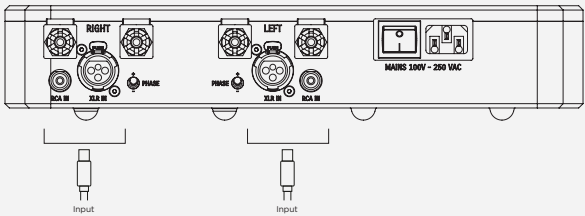
Although Étude is compact, it features a highly advanced Class A/B sliding bias design which generates heat. Please ensure there is sufficient ventilation around Étude at all times. Avoid placing Étude in enclosed spaces, on soft surfaces, near sources of heat and never cover its ventilation holes. For optimum operation and ventilation use an Ensemble stand.



Connecting Étude to a preamp

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First, ensure that Étude, is turned off. Ensuring your pre amplifier is turned off and the volume is set to minimum, connect the XLR or RCA audio outputs from the partnering preamp to the Étude corresponding XLR or RCA inputs, paying careful attention to the left and right channels.

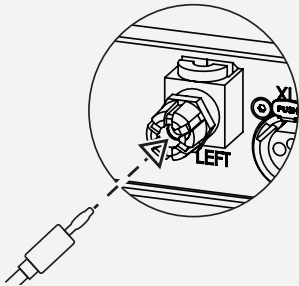


Connecting speakers to Étude

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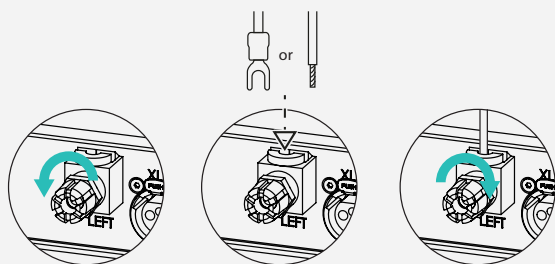
The binding posts on Étude are designed to accommodate bare wire, spade connectors and banana plugs.

Banana plugs: can be inserted into the middle of the binding posts, as shown below, to achieve a reliable connection. Align a banana plug with the binding post and push the connector confidently until it stops. You must pay attention to the polarity, making sure that a positive connection on Étude matches the positive connection on the wire and speaker. You must also pay careful attention to the left and right channels.



Spade connectors/bare wire: unscrew Étude's binding posts, rotating counter-clockwise until there is sufficient room to attach the spade connector and then re-tighten. For bare wire, continue to unscrew until the post is exposed. Insert the wire adjacent to the post and beneath the connector and re-tighten (finger-tight) ensuring there are no stray wires.

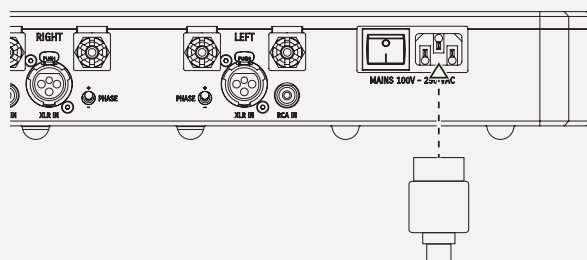
WARNING: ALWAYS OBSERVE THE CORRECT POLARITY WHEN CONNECTING SPEAKER WIRE. NEVER MIX LEFT AND RIGHT WIRING.



Connecting the power to Étude

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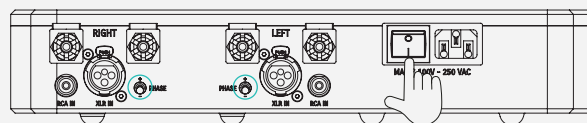
Once all audio inputs and outputs are connected, connect the power cable to Étude.



Powering up Étude

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With all devices correctly connected, the system is ready for playback. With normal playback ensure both toggle switches should remain in the same 'down' position. Again, ensure any volume controls are set to the minimum before switching on your source and pre-amplifier, and then finally Étude. This sequence should always be followed to protect connected devices. Commence playback before slowly increasing the volume to a comfortable listening level.



Product registration

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Now that you have successfully completed the setup of your Étude you can immediately begin to experience its transformational quality on your music collection. However, we advise that you register your product with us. Registering helps us give you the best possible support and protects your investment:

chordelectronics.co.uk/register-product/