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Room-filling sound without a room-filling speaker cabinet. Slimmer than ever, the 684 offers an amazing combination of serious floorstander power, spectacular audio performance and unbeatable value thanks to its new and vastly improved bass/midrange drivers and the Decoupled Double Dome tweeter.

Switching to 5-inch drivers from the previous 6.5-inch designs means the new 684 is significantly slimmer than its predecessor, yet Bowers & Wilkins engineers have still improved its audio performance. The two Kevlar®-cone drivers now feature smaller voice coils to increase sensitivity. The 5-inch drivers now also feature Anti-Resonance Plugs that improve the behaviour of the voice coil and smooth response, a technology taken from our high-end PM1 speakers. The result is a breathtaking performance from a modestly proportioned loudspeaker.

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Technical features Decoupled Double Dome aluminium tweeter with Nautilus™

tube loading

Kevlar® brand fibre cone bass/midrange drivers

Flowport™

Description 2-way vented-box system

Drive units 1x ø25mm (1 in) aluminium dome high-frequency

2x Ø130mm (5 in) woven Kevlar® cone bass/midrange

Frequency range -6dB at 45Hz and 50kHz

Frequency response 72Hz - 22kHz ±3dB on reference axis

Dispersion Within 2dB of reference response

Horizontal: over 60° arc Vertical: over 10° arc

Sensitivity 87dB spl (2.83V, 1m)

Harmonic distortion 2nd and 3rd harmonics (90dB, 1m)

<1% 140Hz - 22kHz <0.5% 180Hz - 20kHz

Nominal impedance 8Ω (minimum 4.0Ω)

Crossover frequency 4kHz

Recommended amplifier power

25W - 150W into 8Ω on unclipped programme

Max. recommended cable impedance

 0.1Ω

Dimensions Height: 920mm (36.2 in) cabinet only

955mm (37.6 in) including plinth but not feet

Width: 160mm (6.3 in) cabinet only

235mm (9.3 in) over plinth

Depth: 234mm (9.2 in) cabinet, grille and terminals only

238mm (9.4 in) over plinth

Net Weight 14.2kg (31.2 lb)

Finishes Cabinet: Grille:

Black Ash Black
White Light Grey