

Cabasse challenges Naim with new Pearl Akoya wireless speaker

It's a more diminutive version of the brand's Pearl speaker



(Image credit: Future)

Cabasse has launched the Pearl Akoya, a smaller, more affordable version of its Pearl wireless speaker, at the Paris AV Show.

Coming in at £1499, a more palatable figure than its bigger bro's £2599 asking price, the eyeball-resembling active wireless speaker is 22cm in diameter as opposed to 32cm. But despite its more modest size, the Akoya is, according to Cabasse, capable of 115dB of volume, equivalent to that of a live classical orchestra.

Underneath the Akoya's six layers of lacquer finishing is what Cabasse claims is the most compact triaxial speaker ever created.

In one direction is a rear-firing 17cm subwoofer, and at the other is a front-facing neodymium tweeter and mid-range driver in a coaxial arrangement. The casing is double reinforced with injected resin and fibre and finished in either a Metallic Black or Pearl White with silver or chromium highlights.