

KEF Expands Reference Line

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KEF announces the KEF Reference finish selection for 2020-- a lineup introducing a Silver Satin Walnut finish and an expansion of bespoke Kent Foundry Edition finishes to the Reference 4c and 2c centre speakers.



The Silver Satin Walnut finish utilises a silver satin, tone-on-tone design encompassing the drive units within a solid, brushed aluminium front baffle. Pair-matched walnut, real wood veneered cabinets complement the overall design. The Foundry Edition finishes adorning the 2c and 4c centre speakers pay homage to the Madstone beginnings of the company, with Blue Ice White hinting at the original blue of the original KEF logo. Meanwhile Copper Black combines the latest Reference technology with an aesthetic evoking such pedigree.

Together, the 2020 finish selection for floor, bookshelf and centre channel models consists of Piano Black, Silver Satin Walnut, Kent Edition Copper Black and Kent Edition Blue Ice White.

In addition, KEF adds a further Reference in-wall, THX-certified Ultra custom installation model to accompany the Ci5160REF-THX model. The smaller Ci3160REF-THX uses the same Reference driver topology as the box designs, and utilises two 6.5-inch bass drivers and a 6.5-inch Uni-Q driver array. The larger Ci5160REF-THX has four 6.5-inch bass drivers and a 6.5-inch Uni-Q driver array. Both make use of the same Reference, solid aluminium front baffle, and installers can use each in-wall model in left, right, center, side, and rear applications.

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