



INTERCONNECT CABLE OF THE YEAR

True Colours Industries Cobra II/Cobra II SE

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T rue Colours Industries (TCI) makes good cables at great prices; the cost of a metre of its top Cobra II SE interconnect is cheaper than many companies’ entry level designs. Cobra II uses aerospace-grade silver plated, oxygen-free copper conductors with a high-density, double-braided, oxygen-free copper screen, aerospace-grade PTFE Kapton tape as a dielectric, and high-grade silver solder throughout. The difference between Cobra II and its SE variant is down to an improved RCA connector (using silver plated copper with a tellurium/copper pin in place of gold-plated copper) and a black and silver – as opposed to a black and gold – exterior braid.

While in test, we preferred the performance of Cobra II SE, but both cables were worthy of high praise. In our test, Alan Sircom said, “These are distinctly no-nonsense cables. They have a fine unfettered sense of dynamic range and detail, and don’t get in the way of the rhythm either.” Focusing on the SE version, he said, “The absence of sibilance that the Cobra II does so well extends even further along the high frequencies. This is a slightly more resolving cable as a result, but not in a ‘only use with titans’ way.” +

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