

ANOTHER EPIC CHORD

Replacing the Chord Company's PTFE-based Epic speaker-cable after a decade is the EpicX, a midrange proposition harnessing XLPE (cross-linked polyethylene) insulation technology. A while back, Chord came up with 'Taylon' but it is expensive; XLPE is a practical alternative with similar benefits, for its cheaper products.

The EpicX is, like the original, a shielded design that can "integrate with virtually every type of speaker...improving detail, dynamics, resolution and coherence". It employs silver-plated 12AWG OFC conductors, coated with "layers of XLPE".

Chord's recently-announced ChordOhmic banana plugs are fitted at each end, so dealers equipped with the 'Hex Gun' termination tool will be able to make EpicX cables of custom length for customers.

EpicX cables will set you back £60 per metre, plus £120 for plugs. Chord point out that a slightly-uprated version of this lifetime-guaranteed cable, the EpicXL, is also available.

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