

# 2016 Product of the Year

OVERALL

Solid State  
**Simaudio MOON Neo Ace**  
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Hailing from the Great White North, Montreal's Simaudio makes some of the world's finest solid state gear, known both for its musicality and bullet proof reliability. (All Simaudio products carry a ten year warranty, and the last time I visited the factory, the repair department was neither full nor busy)

Their MOON Evolution series reference amplifiers and preamplifiers offer stunning performance, with an equally stunning price. The same engineers and craftspeople that design and hand build these five-figure components put the same amount of care and passion into the Ace. This compact integrated amplifier features a 50 watt per channel class AB discrete power amplifier, a versatile preamplifier (with headphone amplifier) a state of the art DAC, able to render high res and DSD files, and an excellent MM phono stage. Just add your favorite speakers, and turntable if you're so inclined and roll. Should you not be a vinylista, take advantage of the built-in MiND streamer, and plug into your network to enjoy your favorite tunes. If you've ever wanted the equivalent of a high-end audio happy meal, this is it.

