



POWER PRODUCT OF THE YEAR

IsoTek EVO3 Nova power conditioner | Reviewed in Issue 167



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The IsoTek EVO3 Nova is a 12-outlet passive filter/conditioner (as distinct from the EVO3 Nova One, which is a single-outlet filter). EVO3 Nova stands about twice as tall as the company’s popular EVO3 Sigmas conditioner. You could mistake it for a power amplifier, were it not for the front LED panel. The unit is neatly sub-divided into four high-power sockets and eight sockets used for sources and preamplifiers. To power the Nova up, first throw the one under the right hand side of the box (this powers the box up, fires up the display, and powers up the high-power side). Then flip the switches on the left side to enable the upper and lower sets of four lower power three-pin sockets. One side won’t work without the other.

In use, we found the EVO3 Nova essentially unburstable and unfazed by any devices to which it was connected. In particular, we felt that “It also does that great thing that IsoTek devices are so good at; enhancing without changing. The system seems to be taking less effort in making music, and does so with vastly improved transient attack and speed of delivery. Yet somehow it does all this without changing the character of the products connected.” We concluded simply that, “The EVO3 Nova takes on the task for today’s bigger systems.”