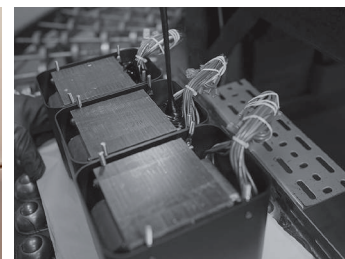


# C53 stereo preamplifier

- The C53 Preamplifier is ready to serve your home audio needs for years or even decades to come. It's the first product to feature our advanced DA2 Digital Audio Module.
- As new digital audio technologies are developed, the DA2 can be replaced by future modules, keeping your C53 current for many years.
- Powered by a next generation, audiophile-grade Quad Balanced, 8-channel, 32-bit Digital-to-Analog Converter (DAC), the DA2 supports high resolution digital music up to DSD512 and DXD 384kHz.
- Includes a new audio-only HDMI Audio Return Channel (ARC)<sup>1</sup> input that allows it to be connected to TVs with a HDMI (ARC) output to bring your TV sound to the next level.
- Includes a nearly inexhaustible 9 analog and 7 digital inputs for connecting all your music sources.
- Complete with McIntosh technologies including 8-Band Tone Controls, Home Theater PassThru, High Drive headphone amplifier with Headphone Crossfeed Director (HXD<sup>®</sup>) and Power Control.

1. The HDMI (ARC) input will only play audio from a compatible TV. It will not pass video to or from a TV, or play audio from any non-TV source.



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## Frequency Response:

+0, -0.5dB from 20Hz to 20kHz  
+0, -3.0dB from 15Hz to 100kHz

## Total Harmonic Distortion:

0.005% maximum from 20Hz to 20kHz

## Signal to Noise Ratio (High Level):

100dB

## Maximum Voltage Output:

Balanced: 16 Vrms

Unbalanced: 8 Vrms

## Analog Inputs:

3 Balanced  
4 Unbalanced  
1 Moving Coil  
1 Moving Magnet

## Digital Inputs:

2 Coax  
2 Optical  
1 HDMI (ARC)  
1 USB  
1 MCT

## Overall Dimensions (W x H x D):

17-1/2" (44.45cm) x 7-5/8"  
(19.4cm) including feet x 18"  
(45.72cm) including the front  
panel, knobs and cables

## Weight:

28 lbs (12.5kg) net,  
43.5 lbs (19.7kg) in shipping carton

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## Companion Products

The MC1.25KW, MC611 or MC462 Amplifiers, MT5 Precision Turntable, MS500 Music Streamer, MCT500 SACD/CD Transport, MPC1500 Power Controller, and XRT1.1K or XR100 Loudspeakers are logical companions for the C53 Preamplifier. Your Authorized Dealer can provide additional information on other McIntosh product combinations.

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