

# NǿRDOST

## RANGE GUIDE



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### The Foundation Of Great Sound

Since first entering the world of hifi audio over 30 years ago with our revolutionary Flatline Speaker Cable, Nordost has been in the forefront of cutting edge technology, pushing "sonic boundaries" so that audiophiles can achieve their ultimate goal: great sound.

Nordost has built a reputation on embracing a comprehensive approach to cable design - taking material, performance geometry and into account with every product we develop. Nordost believes that although cables naturally act as filters, it is our aim as cable manufacturers to filter the sound as little as possible, leaving the listener with an impression of the music, not the cabling. To accomplish this goal, all Nordost cables employ a low mass cable design with optimal signal transfer and perfect impedance matching.

Nordost puts a premium on research. It is through this research that we have become a vanguard of our industry, developing proprietary technology and specialized techniques such as Micro and Dual Mono-Filament, extruded FEP insulation and the HOLO:PLUG<sup>®</sup> connector, putting us a step ahead of our competitors.

Nordost cables are produced using extremely precise, meticulous procedures that ensure the exceptional quality that Nordost has come to represent. This standard is upheld throughout Nordost's product range. From cables to power products to resonance control devices, Nordost provides the foundation needed to achieve great sound.

"...Nordost designers left no stone unturned when designing and evaluating the unadulterated musicality of these products... you would not believe the quality of the sound they produce. They are that good and so majestically musical that it can undeniably be qualified as one of, if not the greatest buy in audio cables today!"

- The Sound Advocate



# LEIF

### **Universal Cable System**

Nordost's entry level cable ranges are perfect examples of quality cabling set at an affordable price range. The Leif series uses scientifically proven methods and technology derived from the development of our Valhalla and Odin ranges and applies their basic principles to create cables which evoke dynamic, low-loss and realistic performances from even modest components and loudspeakers.

Leif cables are constructed using silverplated, OFC solid core conductors, which form a strong foundation to create great sound. The conductors are then treated with Nordost's innovative precision FEP extrusion process, where each conductor is individually enclosed in FEP insulation. This technique greatly reduces the dielectric properties of the cables in order to increase signal speeds and accuracy in signal transfer.

To build upon this foundation, Leif cables are designed with a mechanically tuned construction that optimizes the dimensions and spacing of conductors to reduce dielectric effects even further.



"...a little trip to (Blue) Heaven for those of us earthbound on a budget"

- The Absolute Sound





#### WHITE LIGHTNING

Interconnects Balanced Interconnects Loudspeaker Cables

### PURPLE FLARE

Interconnects Balanced Interconnects USB 2.0 Cable Fig-8 Power Cord Loudspeaker Cables

### **BLUE HEAVEN**

Interconnects Balanced Interconnects Subwoofer Cable iKable Tonearm Cable + Ethernet Cable 75 Ohm Digital Lead USB 2.0 Cable HDMI Cable Power Cord Loudspeaker Cables

#### **RED DAWN**

Interconnects Balanced Interconnects USB C Cable Power Cord Loudspeaker Cables Specialty Cables

# NORSE 2

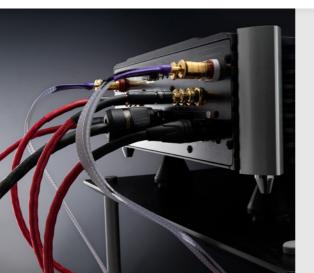
### **High Performance Cables**

The Norse 2 series is the second tier in Nordost's line, delivering the depth, precision and nuance previously only found in live performances.

Like Leif cables, the Norse 2 series uses silver-plated, OFC solid core conductors, extruded FEP insulation and a mechanically tuned construction. However, Norse 2 employs even further technological advances, unlocking the full potential a hifi audio system has to offer.

After years of extensive research and development, Nordost has perfected a proprietary technique called Mono-Filament technology that creates a virtual air dielectric by winding an FEP filament in a precise spiral around each individual conductor before extruding an outer FEP "sleeve" around it. By minimizing contact with the conductor, Mono-Filament technology lessens dielectric absorption while enhancing mechanical damping and geometrical precision.

In addition, Norse 2 series cables are the first to use asymmetrical grounding on their RCA interconnects, lowering the noise floor by increasing the ground quality. Nordost has also taken a step beyond its original mechanically tuned construction and introduced mechanically tuned lengths, reducing internal microphony and highfrequency impedance resonance.



"The Norse 2 series loom, brought forth incremental upgrades to the sound that I don't/wouldn't hesitate recommending to anyone... it's that significant of an upgrade and makes you wonder what Nordost has in store..."

- Positive Feedback



#### HEIMDALL 2

Interconnects Balanced Interconnects iKable Tonearm Cable + Ethernet Cable 75 Ohm Digital Lead 110 Ohm Digital Lead USB 2.0 Cable 4K UHD Cable Power Cord Loudspeaker Cables

#### FREY 2

Interconnects Balanced Interconnects Tonearm Cable + USB C Cable USB C Adapter Power Cord Loudspeaker Cables Specialty Cables

### TYR 2 Interconnects Balanced Interconnects Tonearm Cable + 75 Ohm Digital Lead 110 Ohm Digital Lead USB 2.0 Cable Power Cord Loudspeaker Cables Specialty Cables

# REFERENCE

### **Premium Cable Solution**

With their introduction in 2001, Valhalla cables became a benchmark for performance in the consumer electronics industry and a great success for Nordost - but by 2013 it was time for a new Reference range. Over the years we have been able to develop cutting edge production techniques and technological innovations that both improve the quality and precision of our manufacturing process and propel the capabilities of our products to previously unattainable levels. The Valhalla 2 range benefits from the gains of those years of research and development in every aspect of its construction.

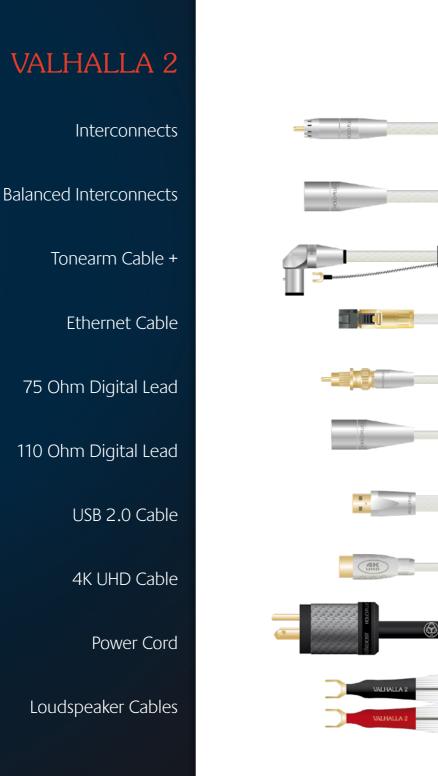
While Valhalla 2 cables follow the same design philosophy as those that precede them, using silver- plated, OFC solid core conductors, extruded FEP insulation, a

mechanically tuned construction, and asymmetrical grounding, the advances made from that jumping-point are astounding.

Valhalla 2 cables typically use Dual Mono-Filament technology, along with an innovative, proprietary connector called the HOLO:PLUG®, designed to be the best possible interface between the cable and component. The combination of these two groundbreaking technologies allows Nordost products to perfectly match our philosophy of low mass design, optimal signal transfer and perfect impedance matching. Valhalla 2 cables transport listeners into a live-listening experience, imparting a 3D image to the musical performance that seems almost impossible.



"[V2] does striking, jawon-the-floor detail and speed, but it also brings out the grace and the architecture of the music. Put another way, the music is presented unimpeded by the technology used to reproduce the music itself."



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# SUPREME REFERENCE

### The Ultimate Cable Series

The name Odin implies greatness, and our Supreme Reference series delivers the divine qualities that its name suggests. Our Odin 2, and Odin Gold ranges were designed to facilitate the perfect audio experience, so that you are no longer limited to simple sound reproduction but are able to experience the auditory benefits of a live performance in the comfort of your own listening room.

Nordost's Supreme Reference cables use every tool available in the Nordost arsenal, building upon the ranges that precede them. In addition to using the highest purity class FEP, top-grade plating material, mechanically tuned lay and lengths, and Dual Mono-Filament technology, Supreme Reference cables are the only cables in the Nordost line to take advantage of Total Signal Control (TSC). TSC technology involves individually shielding each conductor in order to provide an imperceptibly low noise floor and allow music-lovers to enjoy their system as it was intended to be heard.

Supreme Reference cables unleash every facet of a live performance delicate nuances, booming crescendos, the instantaneous reaction of a staccato and even the precision in space and timing between the notes themselves— Odin cables are unmatched. Such performance must be heard to be believed. Nordost's Supreme Reference series doesn't just set the standard; it blow the standard away.



"Nordost deserves the highest possible commendation for building on its previous efforts to produce a statement product that is remarkable for its purity and resolution, transparency and clarity."

- The Absolute Sound





## OÐIN 2

Interconnects

Balanced Interconnects

Tonearm Cable +

75 Ohm Digital Lead

110 Ohm Digital Lead

Power Cord

Loudspeaker Cables

## OÐIN GOLD

Interconnects

Balanced Interconnects

Tonearm Cable +

Power Cord

Loudspeaker Cables



### **Audio Enhancers**

QRT products are designed to improve the performance of your system. Each product has its own unique objective, whether that be alleviating the impact of poor quality AC or DC power, providing proper grounding, optimizing data transfer for audio applications, or synchronizing electromechanical resonances. Regardless of their function, Nordost QRT products make an immediate and distinct impact on audio systems. The effects are cumulative and best heard when QRT products are used as a system. When arranged correctly, these effects include a lower noise floor, increased image depth with tighter focus, wider soundstage, as well as improved overtones, pacing, dynamic range and musical expression.



"The 'power' of QRT is cumulative in effect and the improvements wrought are not subtle. Taken together they have become an essential part of my home audio system and to call them accessories or tweaks is doing these products a distinct injustice."

- Soundstage! Australia



QSOURCE Linear Power Supply

QSOURCE DC Cable/ Premium QSOURCE DC Cable

> QVIBE (Qv2) AC Line Harmonizer

> > QKOIL (QK1) AC Enhancer

QNET Network Switch

QBASE Mark II AC Distribution QB8: US, EU, and AUS QB4: US, EU, and AUS QB6: UK only

QKORE Ground Unit QKORE1 QKORE3 QKORE6

QKORE Wire/ Premium QKORE Wire

**QLINE** Ground Wire















# SORT SYSTEMS

### **Resonance Control**

Resonance is an often overlooked, but defining factor in high quality sound reproduction. Nordost's Sort System allows components to resonate at their natural frequency, without the burden of extraneous, damaging vibrations and the constraint of damping materials.

Both Nordost's Sort Kones and Sort Füt units are mechanically tuned resonance control devices that act as mechanical diodes, creating a direct ground path that allows extraneous energy to escape from components, loudspeakers and audio racks. Without these disruptive vibrations, your system will sound more natural and lifelike, your music more lively and engaging, and you will be left exceedingly satisfied with the performance achieved by your sound system.

The Sort Lift is a unique and extremely effective cable support. While other cable lifters in the industry are only concerned with doing just that—lifting the cables, the Sort Lift not only elevates them off the ground, but it employs a patent pending, Floating Spring Design, minimizing the contact that cables have with the apparatus and maintaining the natural resonance of the cables themselves. Additionally, the Sort Lift inhibits the transfer of electrical charges from surface to cable, while delivering a noticeable sonic improvement on the performance of sound systems.



"I couldn't believe that was the effect my system was capable of creating. I also couldn't believe there was so much detail getting lost due to the vibrations in my loudspeakers before Sort Füt were installed."

- Audiotechnique

### SORT FÜT

- Single
- Premium Package 4 Sort Füt Units

  - Laser Leveling System Adjustment Tool

  - Threaded Adapters

#### Accessories:

- **Sort Kup:** protects sensitive floors from scratches and dents.
- Sort Lock: locks finial dome adjustments in place to simplify spéaker placement tweaks.



- AC: aluminium post and base in combination with an upgraded ceramic ball.
- BC: bronze post and base elements combined with a ceramic coupling ball.
- TC: titanium post and base in combination with the ceramic coupling ball for ultimate performance.



• 2 Pack: Two cable lifters with proprietary Floating Spring System using titanium alloy and FEP coating.



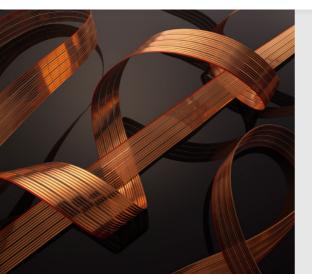


# LEIFSTYLE

### Simple Solutions

High-quality, discreet, and durable -Nordost Leifstyle cables were built with these three characteristics in mind. Leifstyle cables provide the purity and accuracy in sound reproduction that music lovers crave, with a construction that separates them from the competition. These built-to-last cables are even designed to facilitate under-carpet or in-wall installation. Available in an extremely wide variety of lengths, these cables will always be able to accommodate any job, and their extreme flexibility ensures easy installation. While your Leifstyle cables may not be seen, they will certainly be heard with clarity! Leifstyle cables follow

Nordost's unique and simplistic cable philosophy: cables are connections, not filters — so you are left with an impression of the music, not of the cabling.



"Nordost Leifstyle SuperFlatline cable hits all the check marks: Speed, Clarity, Musicality, Current Capacity, Dynamic Range, Depth and Width of Sound Stage, Image Focus and Neutral Tonal Balance, and therefore deserves a definite recommendation."

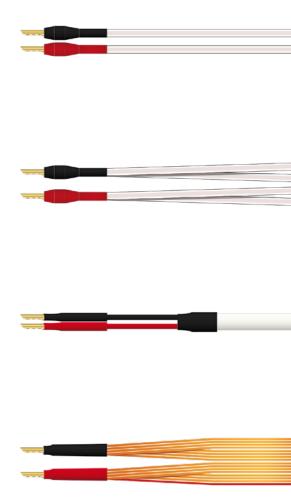
– Headphone Guru



4 Flat Loudspeaker Cables (Shotgun / Bi-Wire / Bi-Amp)

14-2 Loudspeaker Cables

SuperFlatline Loudspeaker Cables (Shotgun / Bi-Wire / Bi-Amp)









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