

# REVIEWS , AWARDS & FEATURES



**WHAT HI-FI?**  
★★★★★  
**AWARDS 2019**

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6000A



6000N Play



6000CDT



audiolab

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### What Hi-Fi?

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## 6000 Series



Apr. 2019

Hi-Fi Voice Magazine -  
10 Stars Recommended



➤ “If you were to estimate the price lists of both components purely on the basis of listening, we bet that at least a few thousand extra would be attributed to each one! ...it’s just a really good Hi-Fi gear... and is worth every penny!”

<https://www.hifi-voice.com/testy-a-recenze/zesilovace-integrované/2138-audiolab-6000cdt-a-6000a>

Sep. 2019

SUONO Magazine (Italy)



➤ “...we are faced with an all purpose system that still allows the enthusiast to enjoy an absolute quality... no source is neglected or considered of second importance and the result is heard at musical level. Even in terms of construction, it is difficult to find anything negative to say about it, especially in relation to the final price.”

<https://iaggroup.jianguoyun.com/p/DRaZi3QQ2qS1BhixvUB>

Mar. 2019

Gramophone Magazine -  
Product of the Month



➤ “...the sound is just as persuasive as the package, with the usual Audiolab balance of detail and dynamics, plus a little more warmth than some still associate with the brand... creating impressive three-dimensional soundstage images and having all dynamic ability required to bring out the drama of a piece.”

<https://iaggroup.jianguoyun.com/p/Dd38Eg4Q2qS1Bhjf6lB>

Nov. 2018

Hifi Pig - 5 Stars  
Outstanding Product



➤ “If you are seeking to move to a dedicated CD transport you should definitely audition the 6000CDT for its smooth operation, sleek looks and constantly robust playback. The 6000A alone is a strong offering and I suspect as more people hear it the market rivals will be working hard to compete, as a combo for me this is a class leader and is punching up the weight class in spades. Solid, punchy, refined and delivering at time a truly detailed but analogue feel, this is one to watch. I suspect Santa may be visiting Audiolab this Christmas for many. I for one am seriously considering buying it.”

<https://hifipig.com/audiolab-6000a-amp-with-dac-6000cdt-cd-transport/>

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## 6000N Play



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Apr. 2020

Qobuz Store



➤ "This network audio player is a success at the price at which it is offered.... Its easy-to-use application offers the possibility of multi-room and multi-brand listening. On the other hand, it excels in musical reproduction by being really pleasant to listen to.... The 6000N can become without any ulterior motive the heart of a good Hi-Fi system."

<https://www.qobuz.com/fr-fr/info/Hi-Fi/Bancs-d-essai/Audiolab-6000N-Play-test-d-un182907>

Mar. 2020

Trusted Reviews -  
5 Stars Highly Recommended



➤ "Bold, clear and confident sound, with stable control app... The 6000N Play is a great way of turning an existing stereo set-up into one with streaming at its centre. With a good feature, Hi-Res audio support and a sound that offers plenty of detail, clarity and precision. With a good feature, Hi-Res audio support and a sound that offers plenty of detail, clarity and precision, it's enough to give Bluesound's Node 2i a run for its money."

<https://www.trustedreviews.com/reviews/audiolab-6000n-play>

Jan. 2020

Hi-Fi Choice - Yearbook 2019



➤ "It feels entirely 'undigital' to listen to with a natural, unfatiguing and effortless way it goes about making music and has an engaging manner that many rivals will struggle to emulate... this is the best-sounding streamer under £500, balancing realism with refinement and engagement."

<https://iaggroup.jianguoyun.com/p/DRGtOusQ2qS1Bhi6jMOC>

Jan. 2020

Hi-Fi Trends -  
Product Of The Year 2019



➤ "Being a digital guy, I think it's not only a perfect companion for the 6000A, but It's also an excellent Wi-Fi streamer for anybody looking to bring high-quality, high-resolution audio into their system without spending a ton of money... Audiolab has done it again with another well-designed component that gives you high-end performance without breaking the bank... Bulletproof build quality, easy to use, clear and tonally balanced."

<http://hifitrends.com/2019/10/17/audiolab-6000n-play-wireless-audio-streaming-player-you-need-this-spellbinding-hifi-music-streamer/>

Nov. 2019

What Hi-Fi? Magazine -  
Music Streamer of the Year



➤ "Insightful and involving... a great, affordable way to implement streaming into your system."

<https://iaggroup.jianguoyun.com/p/DVA9gilQ2qS1BhjWzpwC>

Nov. 2019

HiFi Test (DE) - 5-star Class



➤ "Audiolabs 6000N Play combines all the advantages of streaming with a simple operation and good hardware. Anyone who misses to be able to simply enjoy music with a modern system without detours is exactly right with Audiolab."

[https://www.hifitest.de/test/da-wandler/audiolab-6000n\\_play\\_18681](https://www.hifitest.de/test/da-wandler/audiolab-6000n_play_18681)

Oct. 2019

What Hi-Fi? - AWARDS 2019



➤ "Best music streamer under £500. Great sounding streaming solutions needn't cost a lot! "

<https://www.whathifi.com/awards/best-music-streamers-2019>

Oct. 2019

What Hi-Fi? - 5 Stars



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Aug 2019

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<https://iaggroup.jianguoyun.com/p/DeOWayYQ2qS1BhiWsucB>

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6000N Play



- Jul. 2019

i-fidelity.net

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➤ *“Equipped with the DTS Play-Fi technology, music can now be streamed in high-resolution format over the home Wi-Fi network and easily expanded to a multi-room system. so the British manufacturer. Whether Tidal, HD tracks or Spotify: The DTS Play-Fi platform supports all popular streaming services, podcasts and radio stations around the world. Streaming is via the home network, which allows a delay-free music playback and loss-free sound quality over the available bandwidth.”*

<http://www.i-fidelity.net/news/details/c/dc17b3de394bbb28b25ffd63c0e9f4b0/article/erster-audio-streaming-player-von-audiolab.html>
- Jul. 2019

STEREO Magazine (Germany)

**STEREO**

➤ *“Thanks to DTS Play-Fi technology, the device can access all popular music streaming services via LAN or WLAN and, of course, play music from the home network via DLNA. It is also multi-room compatible.”*

<https://www.stereo.de/artikel/guenstiger-streamer-mit-dts-play-fi>
- Jul. 2019

AUDIO.de Magazine - Good & Affordable



➤ *“Homogeneous sound with high fluency at a reasonable price. The sound of the 6000N was a round thing. It served the music without drawing attention to any disturbing peculiarities and remained very neutral, but never seemed sober or distant. One of his virtues was the meticulous sounding out of the recording situation. A high, wide and above all really deep stage presentation was accompanied by a sharp focus, stable imaging and great timing. The Audiolab 6000N is therefore really the partner for purists.”*

<https://iaggroup.jianguoyun.com/p/DeNLZ4MQ2qS1Bhj8jdsB>
- Jul. 2019

Audiophil-online

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➤ *“The player was equipped with the Reference DAC of the award-winning audiolab 6000A and the isolated power supply of the 6000CDT. Depending on the format and streaming compatibility, the player can play a maximum resolution of 192 kHz at 24-bit. For optimal playback in the home network, an additional Ethernet port is installed - with this, the maximum sound experience is guaranteed. ”*

<https://www.audiophil-online.de/news/audiolab-6000n-play-20190627.html>

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6000A, integrated amplifier



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Jan. 2020

Hi-Fi Choice - Yearbook 2019



➤ "Just the right amount of facilities, a snappy and engaging sound, sufficient power and fine build. A great buy for the modern music fan who wants plenty of flexibility... this brilliant integrated does it all."  
<https://iaggroup.jianguoyun.com/p/De50xfAQ2qS1Bhj2jM0C>

Oct. 2019

Soundstage! Access - Reviewer's Choice



➤ "The 6000A is a screaming bargain.... At this price, what's to complain about? The Audiolab 6000A is extremely easy to recommend - and would be even at twice the price."  
<https://www.soundstageaccess.com/index.php/equipment-reviews/1002>

Aug. 2019

SoundSatge Network



➤ "The Audiolab 6000A is one of the most exciting products I've reviewed in some time, and one of the best values I've come across in years. It's an absolute steal... With the 6000A, Audiolab not only belongs on the short list of companies that own the market in integrated amplifiers for under \$1000, it's a name that now comes to the tip of my tongue whenever anyone asks me what they should buy in that range."  
<https://www.soundstagehifi.com/index.php/system-one/1306-amazing-values-audiolab-6000a-integrated-amplifier-dac-and-6000cdt-cd-transport>

Jul. 2019

HVT Magazine (Holland)



➤ "Air and openness are keywords that come to mind when I listen to the reproduction of the 6000A... the 6000N is simply a very pleasant streamer with a very competitive price tag."  
<https://iaggroup.jianguoyun.com/p/DWVLaLYQ2qS1Bhj1x90B>

Jul. 2019

Hi-Fi Trends



➤ "The more I listen to the 6000A, the more I love it... Because of this, I plan to buy the unit I have right now, it will be my new reference amp for testing speakers. Great job, Audiolab."  
<http://hifitrends.com/2019/07/04/audiolab-6000a-integrated-amplifier-review-class-leading-sound-and-construction/>

Jul. 2019

The Audiophile Man



➤ "Paul bestows the amp with a score of 9/10 and an extremely rare 'Deeply Groovy' Award, praising its confident bass, instrumental separation and upper midrange detail, without a single note of criticism in his verdict. I really haven't heard anything like it under £1,000... supremely balanced... one of the best-value amplifiers on the market."  
<https://theaudiophileman.com/6000a-integrated-amplifier-review-audiolab/>