

Upgrade Your Audio and Your Desktop With Audioengine's HD3 Speakers

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Audioengine products have finished in the top five of our [reader votes](#) for best desktop or bookshelf speakers *three* different times, and their newer [HD3s](#) are packing serious sound and style.

Let's start with the outside. The [HD3's](#) housing is a beautiful mix of wood and aluminum, with detachable magnetic grills just to show off. We never complain about front-facing volume control and headphone out either. Inputs include USB, dual analog, and Bluetooth with [aptX](#). You'll want to use the USB input if these are on your desktop, but the higher-fidelity Bluetooth is definitely a welcome addition anywhere else.



The HD3s sound great, but as with most Audioengine products, they sound *really* great for their size. It's no surprise that the low end on a pair of bookshelf speakers doesn't rattle the walls, and the overall sound is clean with great dynamics, especially in the vocal range.

Everything on the HD3s is premium, from the wood to the aptX receiver to the 24-bit DAC, and you already know whether you'll get your money's worth based on your own listening habits. If not, Audioengine's own [A2+ system](#) is still a fantastic option, even more compact, and most importantly, also comes in red.

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