



Axxess

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Forté 2 Integrated Amplifier

The first products out of the Axxess line were the trio of Forté integrated amplifiers, named – unsurprisingly – Forté 1, Forté 2, and Forté 3, with Forté 3 being the top model.

We tested all three devices in the range and found the Forté 2 was in our sweet spot.

Similar to sister brand Aavik's electronics, the basic platform (a streaming-integrated amplifier with 2x100W Class D power using the highly respected Pascal modules) remains the same across all three Forté amplifier models, but the number of proprietary dither circuits and Tesla coils varies.

Our reviewer liked the oversized black-on-red display and the build quality.

Commenting on the amp's performance, he said: "The 100 watts of available power has been more than enough for any of the listening I've undertaken here."

He concluded: "The Forté platform will be every bit as convenient and easy to live with while offering more performance considerably in excess of more terrestrial competition."

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Axxess is part of Audio Group Denmark, which also has the Ansuz, Aavik and Børresen brands.

It was launched to offer high-performance, handcrafted products at a more accessible price point. Unlike its sister companies, Axxess provides a complete solution of audio electronics, cables and loudspeakers. All represent not only a gateway into Audio Group Denmark's higher-end product lines, but also act as a fine-sounding complete system in their own right.

The Axxess line is not simply a diffusion brand; Axxess products are manufactured in Denmark by the same teams that bring you the higher-end brands, and leverage core technologies from the group. They include active Tesla coil technology for noise reduction. Three of the four Tesla coil systems used in high-end Aavik integrated amplifiers are used in the Axxess Forté platform.

The brand was created by the founders of Audio Group Denmark, Lars Kristensen and Michael Børresen.

Audio Group Denmark says its mission is to bring people closer to the music – all its products are handcrafted, combining Scandinavian design with cutting-edge engineering.

