

# ELYSIAN R SERIES

Flagship Loudspeaker Range

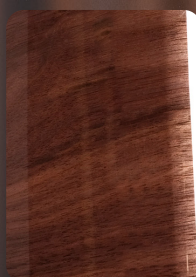
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Recommended Retail Price: ELYSIAN 1R - £3,499  
ELYSIAN 2R - £4,999  
ELYSIAN 3R - £5,599  
ELYSIAN 4R - £6,999  
ELYSIAN C - £3,499

## Availability

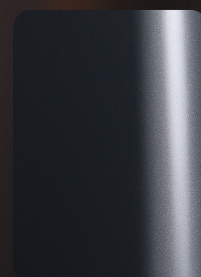
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Walnut High Gloss



Matte Black



Lunar Grey

### OVERVIEW

The original ELYSIAN series redefined expectations of what a high-end loudspeaker could deliver at its level — combining uncompromising engineering, refined craftsmanship, and a distinctly expressive, immersive sound. It was not simply well received; it established itself as a modern benchmark.

Rather than a reinvention, ELYSIAN R is a disciplined evolution — a comprehensive refinement of an already exceptional platform. Every element has been revisited with intent: from driver performance and crossover execution to cabinet behaviour and material integrity. Each improvement is measured, purposeful, and rooted in the pursuit of greater accuracy, transparency, and musical realism.

Led by Peter Comeau and the original development team, ELYSIAN R benefits from continuity of vision and a deeper understanding of the platform's full potential. The result is not a departure from ELYSIAN's identity, but its natural progression — more resolved, more precise, and more revealing.

A genuine example of luxury audio, ELYSIAN R offers indulgence in design, materials, finish and performance, with every component engineered in harmony and without compromise to push the limits of what is possible at this level.



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### GENERATION R

ELYSIAN R builds upon the proven foundation of the original series—enhancing performance through refinements focused on advances in crossover execution, driver performance and further optimised cabinet behaviour.

Enhanced AMT performance delivers even greater resolution and transient accuracy. Refined glass fibre matrix drivers improve clarity and control, while advanced crossover modelling ensures superior phase integration. Additionally, cabinet refinements reduce resonance and enhance acoustic transparency.

The result is a loudspeaker that retains the unmistakable ELYSIAN character—effortless, dynamic, expansive—while delivering greater precision, refinement and realism.

### DESIGN & AESTHETIC EVOLUTION

The original ELYSIAN models provided a jaw-dropping finish and quality. The standard has not dropped, but for ELYSIAN R, a new 'matte' approach has been taken. This follows modern trends and contemporary design language, complementing modern interiors while preserving the series' unmistakable presence, feel and luxurious standing.

The piano lacquer black-and-white finishes have been replaced with opulent matte black and matte grey, while the ever-popular, standard-defining piano lacquered walnut remains. However, equally contemporary matte-black trims, driver detailing, and metalwork complement the simplified, understated visual identity. Same too for the matching stands for ELYSIAN 1R, 2R and stand models.

The result is a cleaner, more architectural aesthetic—modern, understated and timeless, without compromising the sense of luxury and craftsmanship.



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### DRIVER TECHNOLOGY – REFINED PERFORMANCE

#### ELYSIAN R AMT (Air Motion Transformer)

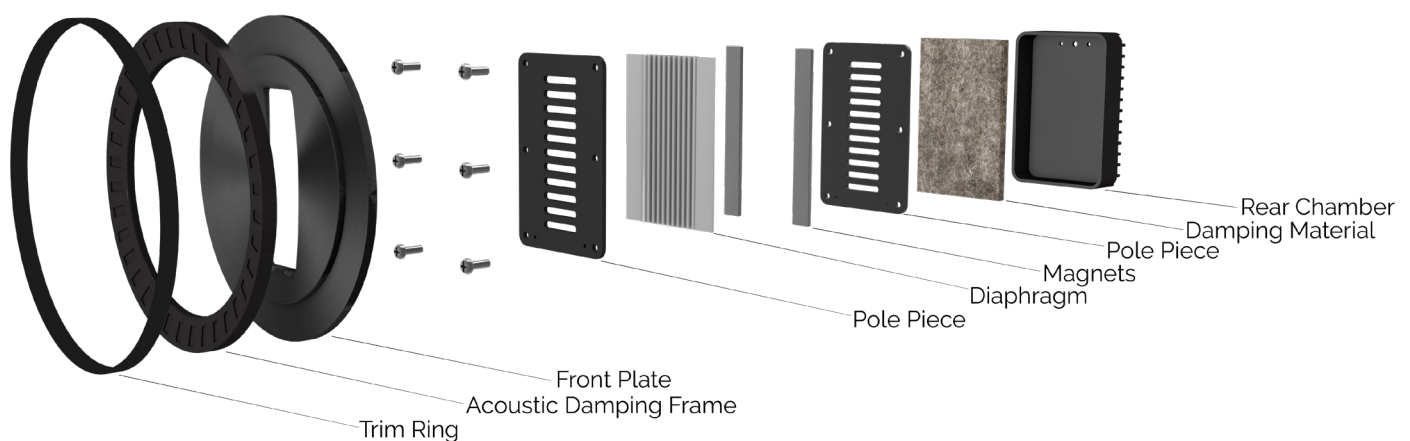
At the heart of ELYSIAN R is a further-developed AMT high-frequency driver—an inherently superior transducer capable of delivering wide bandwidth, ultra-low distortion, and exceptional speed.

Unlike conventional dome tweeters, the AMT uses a pleated diaphragm to move air with remarkable efficiency and precision, resulting in greater detail, faster transient response, and more natural high-frequency reproduction.

The ELYSIAN R AMT features an Ultra-lightweight PET diaphragm with an enlarged, high-spec design and acoustically damped rear chamber.

This ensures even more open, extended and effortless treble performance.

#### ELYSIAN R Treble Unit / Air Motion Transformer



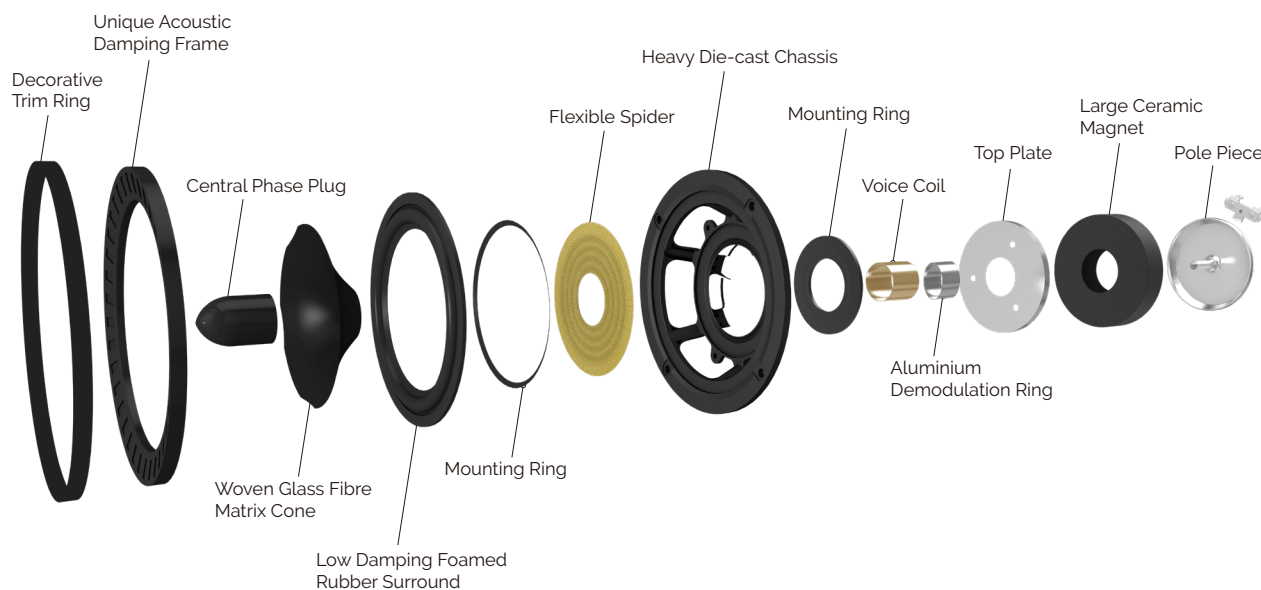
### MIDRANGE – NATURAL EXPRESSION

The proprietary woven glass fibre matrix midrange driver has been further refined to deliver astonishing realism and tonal accuracy. Enhancements to the low-mass, high-strength cone construction complement the advanced motor system. This aluminium ring improves distortion control while the custom-designed phase plug aids the wide dispersion and linear response.

The result is a midrange performance that places vocals and instruments precisely and naturally within the soundstage, enhancing emotional connection to the music.

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### ELYSIAN R Midrange Unit

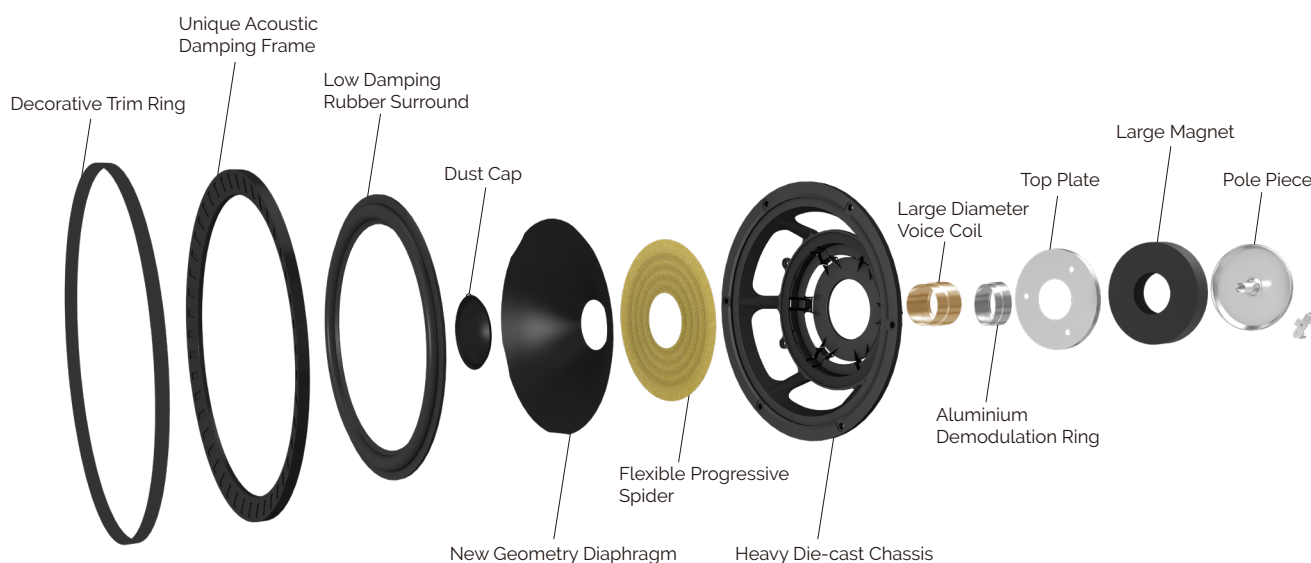


### BASS – DEPTH, CONTROL AND AUTHORITY

ELYSIAN R continues to set the standard for bass performance in its class, with refined glass fibre matrix bass drivers and improved motor systems.

Deep extension down to below 30Hz in larger models, combined with enhanced linear excursion and precise control, is achieved through low-distortion motor systems. When paired with the advanced SLPP system, ELYSIAN R delivers deep, authoritative and precisely controlled bass with exceptional articulation.

### ELYSIAN R Bass Unit



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### SLPP – ADVANCED BASS MANAGEMENT

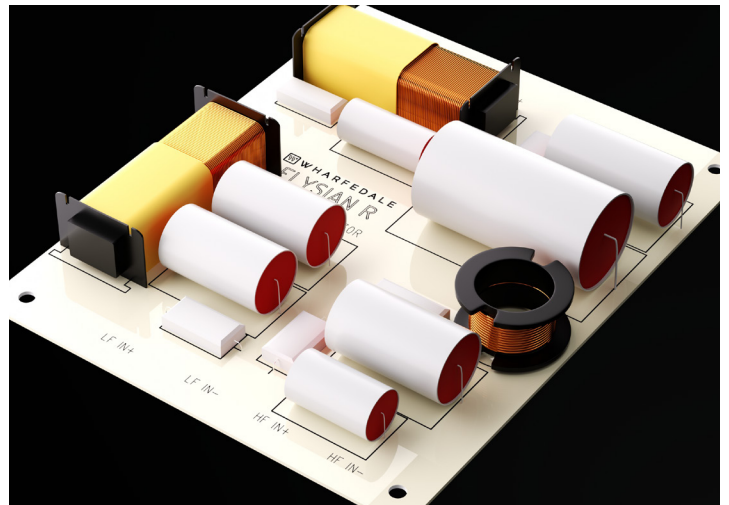
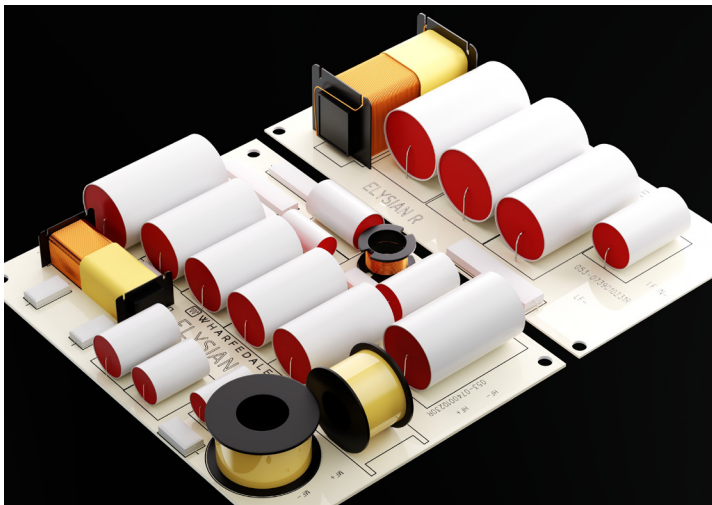
The signature Slot-Loaded Profiled Port (SLPP) has been further optimised to maximise efficiency and minimise distortion. It equalises internal and external air pressure, improves bass extension and control, and reduces placement sensitivity.

As a result, it delivers bass performance that is not only powerful but also clean, fast, and consistent across different listening environments.

### CROSSOVER – PRECISION INTEGRATION

The crossover components have been selected for their transparency, featuring high-silicon-iron-cored coils for the bass that provide low DCR and enable the amplifier to exert excellent control over the drivers. Air core coils are used for the midrange and treble, complemented by Super Audiophile Polypropylene capacitors throughout the signal path. All resistors are low-inductance types, specifically chosen for their neutral effect on music signals.

All components are mounted on newly designed, 'direct path' PCBs, optimised for the shortest possible signal route, and are connected to the drive units with cables containing LC-OFC high-purity copper strands in PET insulation, ensuring a superior full-range performance compared to the original ELYSIAN models.



### CABINET – ENGINEERED FOR PERFORMANCE

The ELYSIAN R cabinet preserves its iconic design while incorporating improvements in finish and acoustic performance. It features multi-layer PROS (Panel Resonance Optimisation System) construction, which reduces cabinet resonance and energy leakage, thereby enhancing structural integrity. The cabinet is finished with premium materials, including matte and piano lacquer options. Not only does its appearance make a striking visual impression, but it also remains acoustically inert, allowing the drivers to deliver maximum clarity with minimal colouration.

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### ADVANCED PRODUCTION AND MATERIAL CONTROL

Beyond design and engineering, ELYSIAN R benefits from advancements in production processes and material control that contribute directly to its elevated performance.

Refinements in driver manufacturing ensure tighter tolerances and greater consistency across every unit, allowing the system to perform exactly as intended. Improvements in cabinet construction techniques further reduce structural variance, enhancing the effectiveness of resonance control strategies.

Material selection has been carefully evaluated, from diaphragm coatings to crossover components, ensuring that each element contributes to a more stable, predictable and acoustically transparent system. These developments, while subtle in isolation, combine to deliver a loudspeaker that is more consistent and ultimately more faithful to the original musical signal.



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### THE RANGE

The ELYSIAN R Series offers a complete solution for both stereo and home cinema applications:

- ELYSIAN 1R – Compact standmount
- ELYSIAN 2R – Reference standmount
- ELYSIAN 3R – Compact floorstander



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- ELYSIAN 4R – Flagship floorstander



- ELYSIAN CR – Centre channel speaker



Matching stands are available in a matte black finish, designed to complement the series aesthetically and acoustically.



ELYSIAN 1R Stands



ELYSIAN 2R Stands



ELYSIAN CR Stands

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### LEGACY AND FUTURE

ELYSIAN R is founded upon Wharfedale's rich heritage of innovation, building on a legacy that began with Gilbert Briggs and the pursuit of delivering true musical realism into the home. This new generation embodies the culmination of decades of acoustic research, the refinement of a globally acclaimed series, and a modern interpretation of luxury high-fidelity sound.

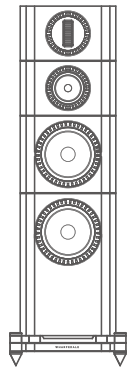
### CONCLUSION

ELYSIAN R is more than just an update; it embodies six years of evolution, feedback, and refinement. It preserves the scale, authority, and emotional engagement that characterised the original ELYSIAN, while offering greater clarity and resolution, improved acoustic precision, and contemporary design sophistication. This loudspeaker range is modern in execution, timeless in character, and uncompromising in performance. ELYSIAN R exemplifies the refinement of a modern classic.



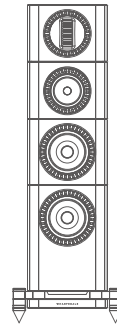
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### SPECIFICATIONS



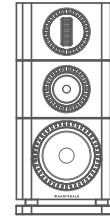
#### ELYSIAN 4R

3-way floorstanding speaker  
 Bass reflex  
 3-way  
 8.5" (220mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone x 2  
 6" (150mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone  
 27 x 90mm AMT  
 92dB  
 15-250W  
 110dB  
 4Ω (compatible 8Ω)  
 3.2Ω  
 30Hz - 22kHz  
 24Hz  
 340Hz, 3.1kHz  
 38L, 79.4L



#### ELYSIAN 3R

3-way floorstanding speaker  
 Bass reflex  
 3-way  
 7" (180mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone x 2  
 6" (150mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone  
 27 x 90mm AMT  
 89dB  
 30-200W  
 108dB  
 4Ω (compatible 8Ω)  
 2.3Ω  
 44Hz - 22kHz  
 35Hz  
 375Hz, 2.9kHz  
 9.4L, 35L



#### ELYSIAN 2R

3-way standmount speaker  
 Bass reflex  
 3-way  
 8.5" (220mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone  
 6" (150mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone  
 27 x 90mm AMT  
 89dB  
 25-250W  
 109dB  
 4Ω (compatible 8Ω)  
 3.6Ω  
 35Hz - 22kHz  
 28Hz  
 360Hz, 2.9kHz  
 17.5L, 43.6L

General Description  
 Enclosure Type  
 Transducer Complement  
 Low Frequency Driver  
 Midrange Driver  
 High Frequency Driver  
 Sensitivity (2.83V @ 1m)  
 Recommended Amplifier Power  
 Peak SPL  
 Nominal Impedance  
 Minimum Impedance  
 Frequency Response (+/-3dB)  
 Bass Extension (-6dB)  
 Crossover Frequency  
 Cabinet Volume (in litres)

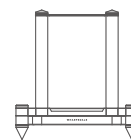
Dimensions (mm)  
 Height (on plinth) 1188mm  
 Width (on plinth) 402mm  
 Depth (with terminals) (432+30)mm  
 Carton Size 1285 x 595 x 480mm  
 Net Weight 49.5kg/pcs  
 Gross Weight 55.8kg/ctn

1050mm  
 263mm  
 (285+30)mm  
 425 x 415 x 1155mm  
 28.45kg/pcs  
 35.37kg/ctn

700mm  
 334mm  
 (432+30)mm  
 580 x 460 x 830mm  
 30.5kg/pcs  
 35.3kg/ctn

Materials:  
 Columns  
 Top Plate  
 Base Spikes

Dimensions (mm):  
 Height (on plinth)  
 Width  
 Depth (with badge)



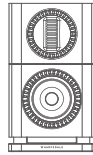
#### ELYSIAN 2R Stands

High carbon steel tube  
 High carbon steel  
 Hardened high carbon steel

428mm  
 402mm  
 435mm

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#### ELYSIAN 1R

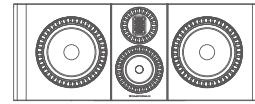
2-way standmount speaker  
 Bass reflex  
 2-way  
 7" (180mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone

General Description  
 Enclosure Type  
 Transducer Complement  
 Low Frequency  
 Midrange Driver  
 High Frequency Driver  
 Sensitivity (2.83V @ 1m)  
 Recommended Amplifier Power  
 Peak SPL  
 Nominal Impedance  
 Minimum Impedance  
 Frequency Response (+/-3dB)  
 Bass Extension (-6dB)  
 Crossover Frequency  
 Cabinet Volume (in litres)

27 x 90mm AMT  
 89dB  
 25-175W  
 108dB  
 4Ω (compatible 8Ω)  
 3.8Ω  
 49Hz - 22kHz  
 44Hz  
 2.6kHz  
 21.6L

Dimensions (mm)  
 Height (on plinth)  
 Width (on plinth)  
 Depth (with terminals)  
 Carton Size  
 Net Weight  
 Gross Weight

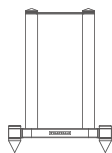
490mm  
 263mm  
 (285+30)mm  
 690 x 445 x 625mm  
 15kg/pcs  
 33.2kg/ctn



#### ELYSIAN CR

3-way centre speaker  
 Bass reflex  
 3-way  
 8.5" (220mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone x2  
 6" (150mm) coated glass fibre matrix cone  
 27 x 45mm AMT  
 91dB  
 25-250W  
 110dB  
 6Ω (compatible 8Ω)  
 3.5Ω  
 35Hz - 22kHz  
 27Hz  
 360Hz, 2.9kHz  
 5.7L, 64.0L

320mm  
 830mm  
 (340+30)mm  
 965 x 495 x 455mm  
 30.2kg/pcs  
 35.0kg/ctn



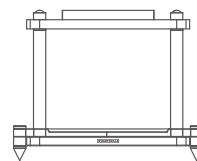
#### ELYSIAN 1R Stands

High carbon steel tube  
 High carbon steel  
 Hardened high carbon steel

Materials:  
 Columns  
 Top Plate  
 Base Spikes

Dimensions (mm):  
 Height (on plinth)  
 Width  
 Depth (with badge)

476mm  
 340mm  
 287mm



#### ELYSIAN CR Stands

High carbon steel tube  
 High carbon steel  
 Hardened high carbon steel

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