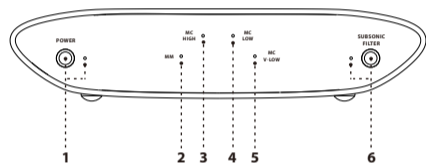


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## ZEN Phono



Thank you for purchasing the Phono from the ZEN series. The Phono is a balanced MM/MC phono stage.

### 1. Power ON/OFF

This is the power switch.

*Note: If the unit is turned on for a while, you need to shut off the unit twice to turn it off. It only happens if the unit is on for a while. This is because the MCU will have switched out of the signal path so you get to enjoy the best sonics!*

### 2. MM input LED

This is a MM input suitable for MM cartridges with the output voltage higher than 2mV. Please select Gain 1 at the rear.

### 3. MC HIGH input LED

This is a MC HIGH input suitable for MC cartridges with the output voltage less than or equal to 2mV. Please select Gain 2 at the rear.

### 4. MC LOW input LED

This is a MC LOW input suitable for MC cartridges with the output voltage less than or equal to 0.5mV. Please select Gain 3 at the rear.

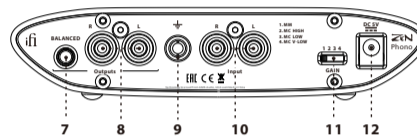
### 5. MC V-LOW input LED

This is a MC V-LOW input suitable for MC cartridges with the output voltage less than or equal to 0.25mV. Please select Gain 4 at the rear.

### 6. SUBSONIC Filter ON/OFF

This is the SUBSONIC filter switch.

The iFi-designed subsonic filter will intelligently detect whether a subsonic frequency is a warp or a bass note. It will eliminate the warps and let all the bass and mid-range frequencies pass through untouched. Therefore, it will not affect the sound quality.



### 7. Balanced 4.4mm analogue output

This is an analogue output via 4.4mm > XLR or other balanced interconnects. You could use this for an active speaker or an amplifier.

*Tip: As ZEN Phono is balanced, this is the recommended output.*

### 8. RCA analogue output

This is an analogue output.

### 9. Ground

This is the ZEN Phono's ground, please connect it to the turntable's grounding wire.

### 10. RCA analogue input

This is an analogue input.

### 11. Gain channel switch

This button cycles between 4 gain levels:

1. corresponds to MM (>2mV)
2. corresponds to MC HIGH ( $\leq 2mV$ )
3. corresponds to MC LOW ( $\leq 0.5mV$ )
4. corresponds to MC V-LOW ( $\leq 0.25mV$ )

*Please adjust the gain channel switch in accordance with your preference and your turntable's specifications.*

### 12. DC 5V power

Please connect the ZEN Phono to the enclosed power supply. The ZEN Phono must ONLY be powered by 5 volts.

*For best performance upgrade the enclosed power supply to a super-silent iPower 5V or the ultra-low noise iPower X.5V power supply.*

#### Specification

**Input voltage:** DC 5V/0.5A, AC 100 -240V, 50/60Hz (with the enclosed power supply)

#### Frequency Response:

Balanced: 20Hz - 20kHz ( $\pm 0.15dB$ )  
S-E: 10Hz - 100kHz ( $\pm 0.4dB$ )

**Channel Separation:** > 75dB (1kHz all modes)

#### Max Output Voltage RMS:

Balanced: 13.5V RMS 600R (<1% THD & N)  
S-E: 6.5V RMS 600R (<1% THD & N)

#### Output Impedance:

Balanced: 200 Ohm  
S-E: 100 Ohm

#### SNR:

MM (36dB  $\pm 1dB$ ): 96dB (A-weighted) re 2V BAL/1V S-E  
MC High (48dB  $\pm 1dB$ ): 84dB (A-weighted) re 2V BAL/1V S-E  
MC Low (60dB  $\pm 1dB$ ): 90dB (A-weighted) re 2V BAL/1V S-E  
MC V-Low (72dB  $\pm 1dB$ ): 79dB (A-weighted) re 2V BAL/1V S-E

#### Ein (equivalent input noise):

0.6nV / Hz (unweighted) MC Low/MC V-Low -151dBV (A-weighted)  
6.5nV / Hz (unweighted) MM/MC High -130dBV (A-weighted)

#### Total Harmonic Distortion:

MM: <-110dB / 0.0003% re 2V BAL/1V S-E  
MC Low: <-80dB / 0.01% re 2V BAL/1V S-E  
MC V-Low: <-86dB / 0.005% re 2V BAL/1V S-E

#### Power consumption:

<1.8W

#### Dimensions:

158 x 117 x 35 mm  
6.2" x 4.6" x 1.4"

#### Weight:

500 g (1.10 lbs)

#### Warranty period:

12 months

*Specifications are subject to change without notice.*