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## MBL C41- HIGH-END DIGITAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR 2024 - 2025

At under 10,000 USD in the modern digital audio world, the MBL C41 has created an incredible value by bringing technology from the renowned MBL N31 closer to music lovers. Moreover, the product adds many new features, creating a comprehensive solution for high-quality modern digital music enjoyment.

MBL C41 shows uniqueness by directly integrating Jurgen Reis's proprietary filters into the ESS DAC chip, instead of using a conventional FPGA. The special true-peak filter with 3dBfs headroom effectively addresses loudness and overcompression issues in modern music. Notably, the C41 is the first MBL model equipped with cVc digital volume control, combined with unique oversampling to ensure pristine bit-depth and sound quality even at reduced volumes.

From the first notes, the MBL C41 impresses with its unique analog color, as if listening to a premium reel-to-reel tape deck – a rarity in the high-end digital world. Piano and instruments are reproduced with excellent sustain decay in a deep black background, vocals smooth and emotional like High-End tube DACs. Particularly, the C41 has unique processing capability, helping enhance recording quality while maintaining accuracy in space and timing.

MBL C41 proves that a digital music source needs not only technical perfection but also true to musical emotion. With the ability to compete with much more expensive flagship DACs, the C41 perfectly combines luxurious craftsmanship and excellent sound, worthy of being the Audio LAB Recommended High-End Digital Player of The Year 2024-2025.