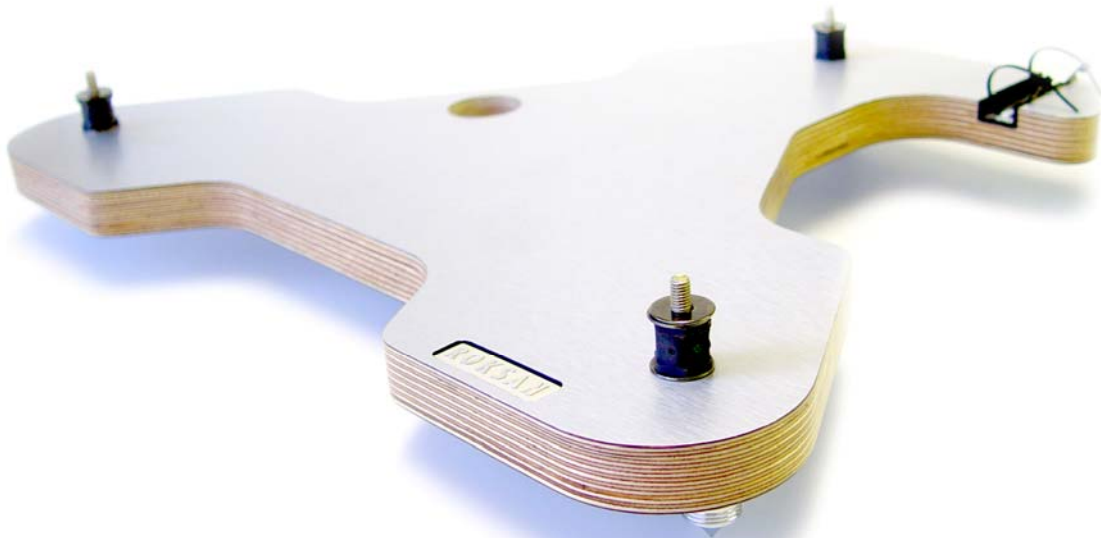


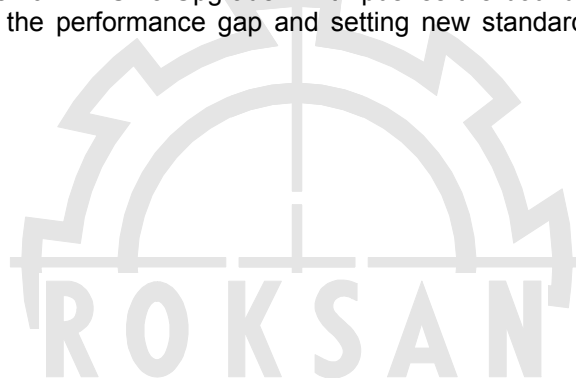
## New Xerxes.X & TMS1 Upgrade Plinth



20 years on, and the Xerxes still continues to define a reference for turntables all around the world. Ten years ago this legendary record player was replaced by **Xerxes.X (10)** and the original 2 plinth design of the **Xerxes** was upgraded to 3 plinths bringing it in line with our reference record player at the time the Roksan **TMS**. This update in the design elevated its performance to a new standard and put the **Xerxes.X** on top in its class.

Three years ago however our reference record player the **TMS** was replaced by **TMS 2** that established itself as a new world class record player within months of its launch! This 4 plinth 'grounded' design had many new features and new components. Utilising several different materials for its plinths, a new super precision Tungsten Carbide main bearing spindle and ball, up-rated support and isolation structure, the **TMS 2** brought new life to music on vinyl. Such an improvement in performance between the original **TMS** and the new **TMS 2** made the lively sounding **TMS** sound rather 'tame' in comparison. Now the gap between our new reference record player and the **Xerxes.X** widened even more. But thanks to the fundamental design of the **TMS** and the **Xerxes.X**, it was possible to improve their performance by implementing some of the new design features of the **TMS 2**. What was not possible though, was to realise the full potential of these new upgrades because these record players were in fact 3 plinth 'floating' designs and not 4 plinth 'grounded'.

**Not any more!** Our new Xerxes.20 / TMS1.5 Upgrade Plinth pushes the boundaries of performance for both record players, narrowing the performance gap and setting new standards for the **TMS** and the **Xerxes.X**.

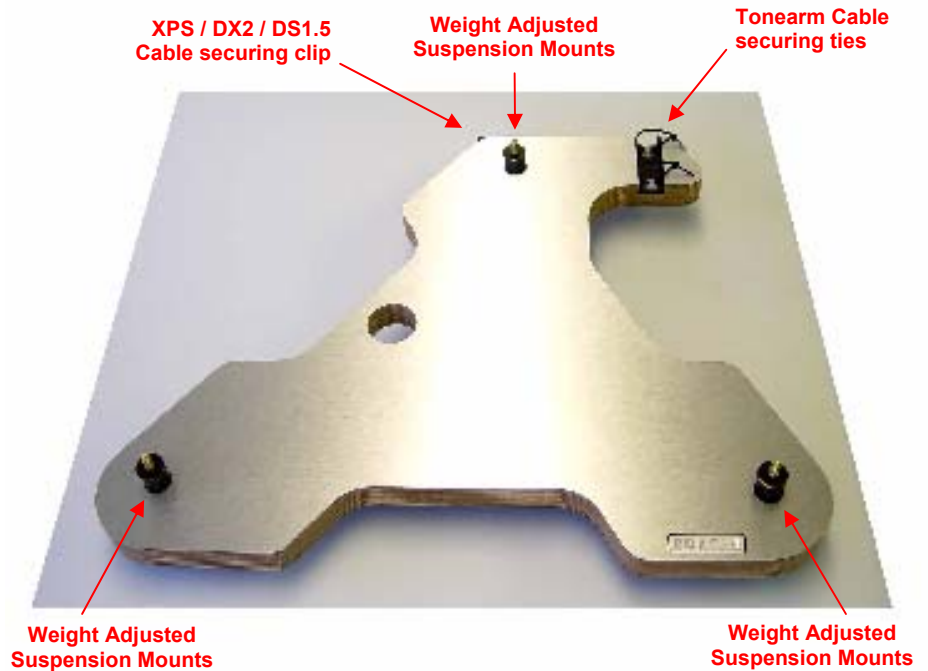


The new Upgrade Plinth is made of 22mm high quality Birch Ply and laminated on both sides by Brushed Aluminium for optimum rigidity and critical damping.

Three weight adjusted suspension mounts replace the original feet of the **Xerxes.X** or the **TMS** and are secured to the upgrade plinth by 3 M6 stainless steel bolts. These mounts match and compliment the record player's floating suspension frequency and the upgrade plinth itself provides the required rigid coupling to 'ground'.

The tonearm and the motor drive power cables are both rigidly secured to the upgrade plinth and 'grounded' via integral ties and clips.

The upgrade plinth is then coupled to 'ground' via three adjustable spike feet to complete the forth plinth structure making the **Xerxes.X** or the original **TMS** a four plinth 'grounded' design.



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**The upgrade benefits**

- Much higher level of isolation
- Far better control of internally induced vibrations
- Much lower mechanical interference of cables
- Far less susceptible to the supporting surface

Adjustable Spike Foot



Sonically the **Xerxes.X** is improved to a level almost beyond the **TMS** and the **TMS** is elevated to its optimum mechanical structure utilising the benefits of the four plinth, grounded design of the **TMS 2** reference record player. With this structural upgrade the record player is fundamentally improved thus showing the sonic improvements of other upgrades (*Such as: The new Mat, Main bearing ball, Spindle, Power supply etc.*) so much clearer.

It is important to note that this upgrade can also be implemented on the original Xerxes. In this case the bottom plinth of the Xerxes requires modification to accept the upgrade plinth suspension mounts.

**SPECIFICATIONS**

**Xerxes . 20 Upgrade Plinth**

<b>Core Material</b>	22mm High Quality Birch Ply
<b>Surface Material</b>	Brushed Aluminium veneer both sides
<b>De-coupling</b>	3 Weight adjusted suspension mounts
<b>Ground Coupling</b>	3 adjustable spike feet
<b>Dimension</b>	473 x 376 x 23.5 (W x D x H) mm 473 x 376 x 55 (Approx. including feet)