

Empire Troubador 598III Turntable



598III was built around 1970, replacing the well known 598N. As it was before with the 598N, this was the best turntable then available for domestic use. It was offered as a complete playback system, including the 990 tone arm and a 4000DIII magnetic cartridge. All were characterized for top performances.

The turntable was specified for rumble below - 90 dB RRL, wow and flutter under 0.01%. The 990 tone arm was specified for a mere 6 Hz fundamental resonance and a tracking error under $\pm 0.650^\circ$. Tracking force down to 0.5 g was possible when using high compliance cartridges. The 4000DIII cartridge was rated for operation with tracking force under 1 g.