

# Orb

## Sakura DeStat charge eliminator

**O**rb audio products, which are available in the UK from Analogue Seduction, produces a range of audio accessories that capitalise on both the industrial and machining skills and expertise from its Japanese parent company, JAI Limited.

This a handheld static neutraliser – traditional static eliminator guns typically use a piezo-electric element to generate a high voltage when you point the device at the record and squeeze the trigger. The Sakura performs this task more elegantly by generating ions by means of a high voltage generator safely housed within the device. It also has a small fan that blows a gentle ion wind onto your record, thus eliminating static charges that can often be heard as clicks, especially on dry weather days. It's powered by four standard AA batteries.

### In use

An application for a few seconds is all that is required to neutralise static charges on a record. The manufacturer recommends the device should only be operated for up to 20 seconds, then rested for a minute before using again. I must say the Sakura works very well, although finding an elusive dry day to test the device was more challenging!

In use, there is a faint smell of ozone, which is the tell-tale sign that a stream of ions is being produced. In addition to its use with LPs, the Sakura can be used with CD, DVD and Blu-ray discs, as well as with musical instruments, decks, amplifiers, headphones, speakers and power supplies, to eliminate static charge. A great product then, just a little expensive. **NR**



#### DETAILS

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