Manual: Argon Audio FORTE MK2

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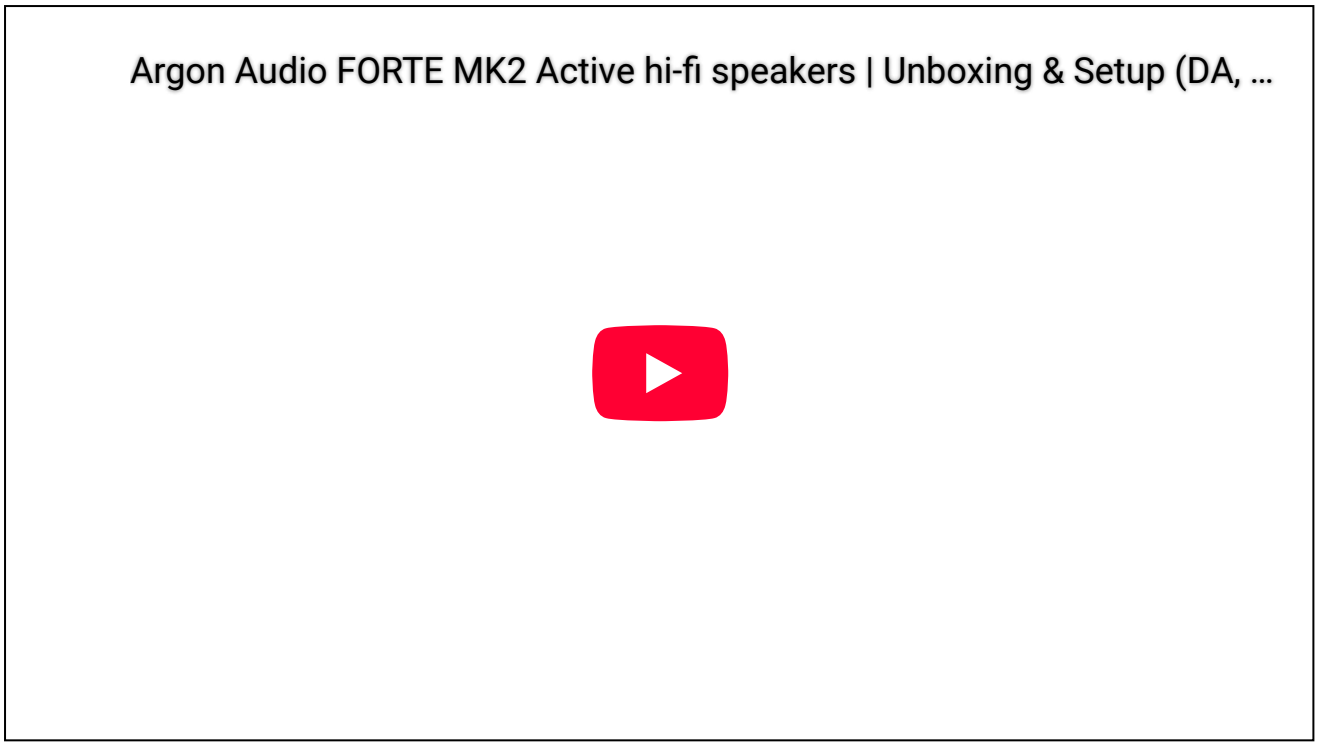

1. Contents of the Box

- Argon Audio FORTE MK2 Speakers
- Front Covers with Magnetic Mount
- Quick Start Guide
- Power Cable and Speaker Cable (3 meters; 5 meters for **FORTE A55 MK2**)
- Remote Control w/ Batteries
- Foam Plugs for Bass Management (**only** FORTE A55 MK2)

We recommend that you keep the original box and packing material for future transportation. We also recommend that you keep this User Manual for future use.

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3. Usage, Controls, and Connections

3.1 Overview of the Back Panel (Inputs/Connections)

1. **Bass Reflex Port**
   Do not cover this port and preferably keep it min. 15 cm from a wall.
   If covered, it'll result in less bass

2. **Phono**
   RCA input for turntables.
   For connecting a turntable with an MM or MC High output cartridge.
   Remember to connect “Ground” (⑧) as well
   (Some turntables don't use a separate ground)

3. **Aux**
   Line in for analogue sources
   Connect any analogue audio source to the Left & Right RCA input.
   E.g. CD player, computer, DAC, etc.

4. **SUB OUT**
   Connect a subwoofer to this output.

5. **Optical Input**
   Optical input for digital sources.

6. **USB Input**
   Only for firmware updates.
7. **HDMI ARC**
   For TV sound from any TV that supports HDMI ARC
   (2.0 PCM only).
8. **Ground (GND)**
   Connection for turntable ground.
9. **Speaker output**
   Connect to the passive speaker with the included speaker cable.

3.2 Overview Remote Control

1. **Power ON/OFF**
   Press to turn the power **ON** or **OFF**.
2. **Input selector**
   Press to choose your desired input source.

3. **Change track**
   Press to skip track forward or backward on the playback device
   (Only when using Bluetooth)
4. **Pairing of Bluetooth Device**
   Press and hold to pair a new Bluetooth device.
5. **Volume up/down**
   Press to adjust the volume up or down.
6. **Mute or unmute the sound**
   Press to Mute or unmute the sound.

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4. Quick Start Guide

1. Connect the speakers using the supplied speaker cable.
2. Connect the power cord into an electric outlet and into the back of the left speaker (which has the amplifier). The LED light on the loudspeaker will turn on.
3. To pair your Bluetooth device, turn on the speakers and press and hold “PAIRING” on your remote for about 3 seconds, until the LED starts blinking. Your speakers are now in pairing mode. Activate Bluetooth on your playback device and scan for devices. Your speaker will show up as “ARGON FORTE MK2”. Press “pair” and you are connected. The LED light on the speaker will change to solid blue. You’re now ready to start listening to music!
4. Besides Bluetooth, your FORTE MK2 speakers have four more inputs: **Optical**, **HDMI ARC**, **AUX,** and **Phono**. Use the included remote control to select your wished input.
5. When using the TV ARC input, you might need to set the digital sound output on your TV to **PCM.** For some TVs, you need to disable the eARC function so that the TV uses ARC instead. Consult your TV manual to see how.
6. When connecting a turntable to the Phono input on the FORTE MK2 speaker, remember also to connect the ground wire from the turntable to the metal GND screw.
7. If you have an active subwoofer, connect it to the FORTE MK2 speaker’s **SUB OUTPUT**, using a subwoofer cable. The sub output on FORTE MK2 is in mono, so it does not matter if you connect it to L or R on your subwoofer.
8. We recommend a running-in time of your FORTE MK2 speakers of approximately **15-20 hours** at normal listening level before you decide on the final positioning of the speakers. During the running-in time the drivers will settle in and perform as intended.
9. For optimal sound performance, the best listening position is at ear level with the speakers placed not too far from a wall.
10. For FORTE A55 MK2, notice that the speaker foot can be demounted if you wish so, and be replaced by for example spikes.

5. Special Functions and Features

1. When the FORTE MK2 speakers receive input from any connected source (**except** phono), they will automatically power on (if powered off) and switch to the right input. This is called **Auto Power Up**. This will not happen if the speakers are already powered on and playing from another source.
2. You can power the speakers off with Auto Power Up (**APU**) disabled if needed: simply press and hold the power button on the remote control for 5 seconds when powering off. The speakers will now power off with APU disabled.
3. The next time you turn on the speakers, APU will be enabled again.
4. You can always press and hold the "**PAIRING**" button to reset all Bluetooth connections when on the Bluetooth input.
5. To enable dimming of the LED on the front of the speaker, power on the speaker and hold the mute button on the remote for 5 seconds. The LED will now turn off after 5 seconds after switching inputs. To disable LED dimming again, press and hold mute for 5 seconds.

6. Tips & Tricks

We strive to ensure you experience the full potential of your Argon Speakers. Therefore, we've put together an article containing valuable Tips & Tricks to help you achieve optimal performance with your speakers.

Article: **Tips & Tricks: SPEAKERS**

7. Specifications

	Forte A4	Forte A5	Forte A55
Frequency range	50-20.000 Hz (±3dB)	40-20.000 Hz (±3dB)	35-20.000 Hz (±3dB)
Bass/midrange driver	4"	5"	2x5"
Dimensions (WxHxD)	14,3 x 24,0 x 29 cm	16,5 x 27,0 x 23,0 cm	15,6 x 85,0 x 25,0 cm
Weight (Pair)	6,7 kg	8,2 kg	26 kg

- 2-Way Active Speaker System with built-in 4-channel Class-D Amplifier

- Bass Reflex System
- Power (8 ohm)
  4 x 80-watt RMS
- Energy Usage in Standby
  <0,5 watt
- Bluetooth function with Qualcomm aptX HD and AAC
- Magnetic Front Cover

Inputs:

- TV ARC (HDMI ARC)
- Optical (Digital)
- L/R analogue stereo-in (RCA)
- Phono (MM)
- Bluetooth 5.0

Colors

Matte black with bronze trim rings

Matte white with silver trim rings

Walnut with gold trim rings

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