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Page: 2 Status: 01.11.16 With this style guide, we want to summarize the most important principles and rules for the new ADAM Audio corporate design.

This is not a complex set of rules with clear requirements but an overview of the most important corporate design blocks and their use.

During the process and the collaboration with ADAM Audio, it became increasingly clear that the brand's tool character had to be placed at the forefront. At the same time, however, an upgrade should take place and the quality promise "German Engineering" should be communicated.

We have relied heavily on what is there: the ADAM Audio monitors and the X-ART tweeter system.

These were the basis for our design: the DIN typeface as a tool for character and "German Engineering", a black and white basic aesthetic as the most reduced of all pictorial languages and different grades, which together with the DIN, speak a clear industrial language.

A reevaluation of the corporate design occurs via the accent colors gold and silver, whereby gold is the more distinctive component. It is especially nice for us to capture the language of the products one to one with black and gold: the black chassis of the monitors and the golden foil of the tweeter, which we also refer to in our key visual.

We are also very pleased that "ADAM Professional Audio" has become the much more powerful and clearer "ADAM Audio." We are firmly convinced that this step will help strengthen the brand.

ADAM Audio now consists of only two clearly structured lines: "professional audio" for the professional user in the studio and "home audio" for all other possible uses. "Professional Audio" is represented by the gold accent color. "Home Audio" appears with the silver color-coding.

Both lines, on the other hand, carry different series, which can be expanded or extended in the future without experiencing difficulties within the corporate design.

It was particularly important for us that the new design does not create unnecessary restrictions or requires elaborate redesigns if, for example, new series are introduced. This was the basic prerequisite for the entire design. So, it was almost imperative for us that the entire system became the main element. This had to be unambiguous and clear while simultaneously ensuring the necessary flexibility.

For us, it was a great experience and great pleasure to work with the ADAM Audio Team. The passion for the brand on the one hand and the great practicality in the decision making on the other have made the process a great pleasure for us.

We hope you enjoy the new corporate design.

THE LOGO

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WORD- AND FIGURATIVE MARK

The logo is both a word and figurative mark. This consists of the simplified, single-color image mark, the "apple board" and ADAM Audio as a figurative mark.

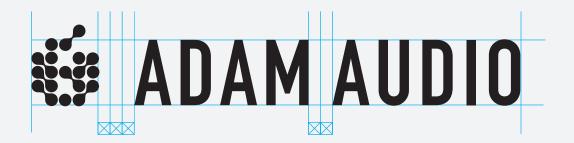
We write the word mark in the DIN Engschrift close-spaced lettering as Versalien in a range of +50.

The logo introduces the DIN font, which is used in all applications and forms a core element for the re-recognition of the corporate design of ADAM Audio.



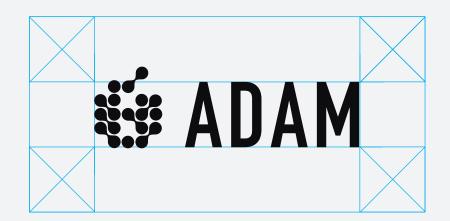
SPACING

In order to present the logo as we would like to see it, we have selected a slightly larger distance (1.5-fold word spacing)/ marked in blue) between the image mark and the word mark. Thus, we minimize the "apple board" from the word mark "ADAM Audio" and thus emphasize the word mark as a clear unit.



SPACING

Additionally, a "safety distance" must be observed from the logo to all other text elements.



SPACING

This "safety distance" applies to both logo variations.



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SHORT FORM

In some cases, it is particularly necessary for space reasons that the logo only consists of the figurative mark and ADAM. In this case, ADAM moves closer to the figurative mark. Instead of 1.5 word intervals, we stay here at a word distance. The safety distance also applies here.



LOGO COLORS

The logo is always monochrome and can be used in black on white, white on black or in the two special colors - silver and gold. It is important that the contrast to the background is as strong as possible (black logo on bright background, white logo on dark background). Gold and silver are used according to the series (Gold stands for Professional Audio, Silver stands for Home Audio).

You will find more about color definitions on page 27 in the Corporate Colors chapter.









In normal cases, the logo will be inserted in the bottom right.

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Alternatively, the logo can also be positioned in the lower left or upper right corner.

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THE FONT SYSTEM

DIN - DEUTSCHE INDUSTRIE NORM

The DIN 1451 Engschrift corresponds to the industrial character of ADAM Audio and radiates a sober beauty that fits the brand perfectly. It is used for bold headlines and the naming of products and product lines. It is also used in column titles and quotations. In doing so, it corresponds to the ADAM Audio logo - always with a range of +50 and rather small spacing. With the exception of the quotations, it is always used in uppercase letters.

The DIN Pro Bold is used for labeling subheadings. The DIN Pro Light is used for all other applications such as flow texts, marginal data, technical data, etc.

Both DIN Pro Cut Light and Bold are always set with a range of +25 and a generous line spacing.

Both belong to the same font family as DIN Engschrift and thus form an aesthetic unit.

LOREM IPSUM DOLOR

DIN 1451 Engschrift

Lorem ipsum dolor

DIN Pro Bold

Lorem ipsum dolor

DIN Pro Light

 \rightarrow 3.1 The DIN as corporate font

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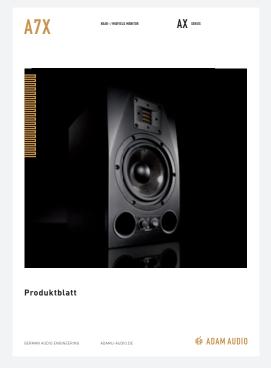
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catalog: special features \rightarrow 7.03 catalog.pdf

product sheet \rightarrow 7.04 productsheet.pdf

SERIES

The production of the ADAM Audio assortment is highlighted by its own writing style in the DIN 1451 Engschrift. This serves the striking recognition of the individual product lines and creates an additional element of recognition and emphasis of the "industrial" character for the ADAM Audio brand.

SX SERIES AX SERIES F SERIES

GTC SERIES

CLASSIC MK3 SERIES

Note: For visual reasons. We recommend "SUB WOOFER" for the product line.

WOOFER

ARTIST SERIES

Optically suitable recommendation (short)

SUBWOOFER SERIES

Orthographically correct alternative (unfortunately very long)

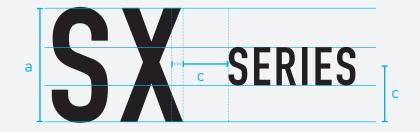
SERIES

For the name of each product, the respective name is always highlighted. After that, at 2/3 smaller, follows the "series" addition. The "series" addition is centered on the name of the series.

The distance between the name and the suffix always amounts to half of the Versal height of the name. This distance gets shortened as needed by optimal compensation.



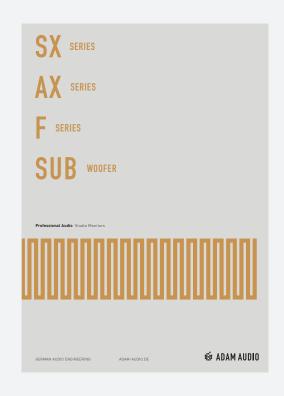
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Distance: distance c = half versal height a (In the above example: 15 mm, 30 mm)

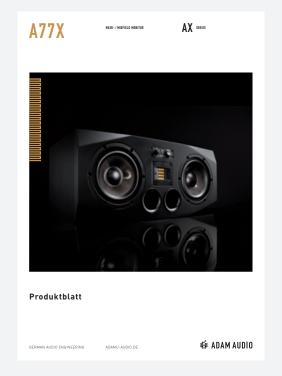
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Catalog: studio monitors (cover) \rightarrow 7.03 catalog.pdf

Catalog: product double-sided \rightarrow 7.03 catalog.pdf

Product sheet

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→ 3.3 micro-typographical features

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OTHER ELEMENTS

The right hand arrow, which is a special character in the DIN font, is used as a micro-typographical design element. It is used in longer headings and replaces a double point or indent.



Arrow and and square brackets as micro-typical element in the DIN Pro Light

THE X-ART TWEETER. → THE HEART OF OUR SPEAKER. MADE IN GERMANY.

The DIN arrow as a indent

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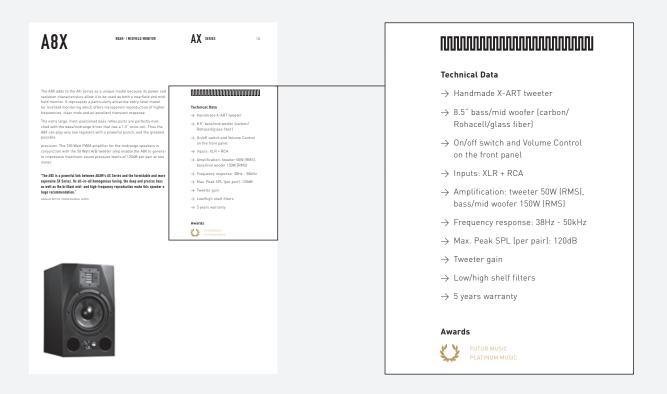
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OTHER ELEMENTS

The arrow is also used as a bullet point.

Round brackets are always replaced by square brackets.

Arrows and brackets are always set in the DIN Pro Light even if they are used within the DIN 1451 standard or DIN Pro Bold.



The DIN arrow as a bullet point

Detailed view

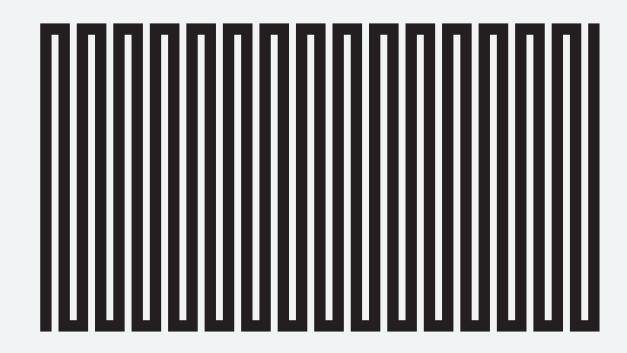
THE KEY-VISUAL

X-ART KEY VISUAL

The key visual translates the X-ART technology, the heart of the ADAM Audio monitors, into a visually striking graphic element.

This provides us a clear key visual for a high degree of recognition in all communication media and stands for the brand ADAM Audio, just like the logo and typography.

It is used flexibly and functions, depending on the application, as an ordering or playful element.



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USE

The key visual can be used crosswise to organize the respective format or content.

It can run across the left or right edge but never over both edges. It can also be applied to the right and left side of the margins of the sentence mirror (see middle example).

Depending on the emphasis, the key visual can be scaled to different sizes.





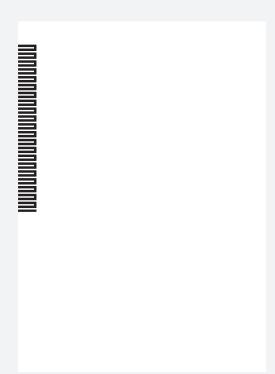


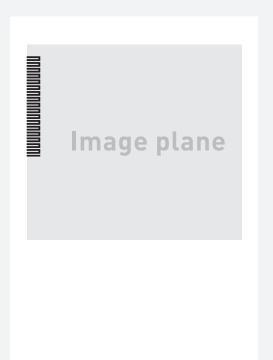
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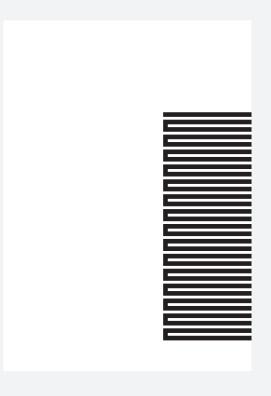
The key visual can also be inserted into one of the two long sides of the format (portrait format: right, left, horizontal format: top, bottom).

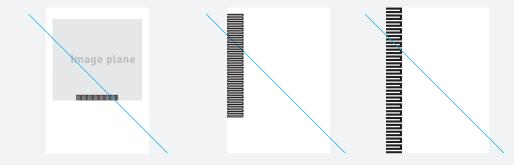
In this way, it is always cut and overlaps on one side of the format margin.

Likewise, images can be accentuated or adorned. This is where the key visual is always at the upper left edge.



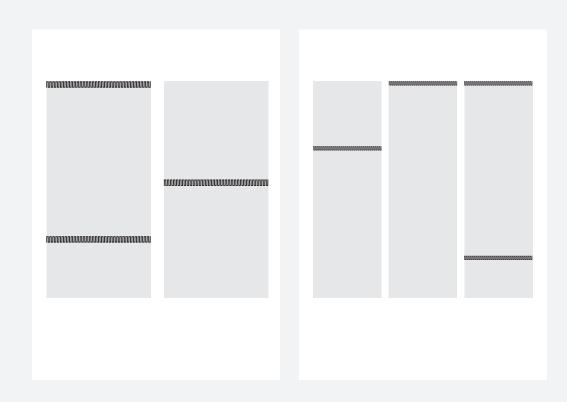






USE

Moreover, the key visual serves as a very ordered element and is used to classify text columns.



→ 4.2 Application

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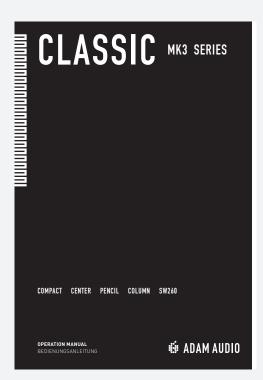
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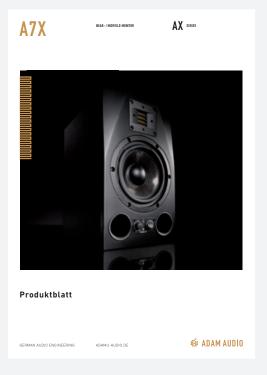
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Professional Audie For studie applications and upscale home recording

ASX ASX A7X ABX A77X

ADAM AUDIO







Catalog: studio monitors (cover) \rightarrow 7.03 catalog.pdf

Manual \rightarrow 7.06 manual.pdf

Product sheet

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Cover letter \rightarrow 7.01 letterhead.pdf

Packaging

 \rightarrow 7.05 packaging.pdf



THE AX-SERIES REVIEWED

AX SERIES

"In a small to medium size setup, it will be an excellent main manitor. In a larger setup, it will be an excellent alternative to bigger speakers, providing accurate near-field information, and offering relief from ear f

LORENZ RYCHNER,

"For mobile setups or studios with limited budgets for monitors, the ABAM A3X is an excellent new option."

"Although they are small, the size of the audio image belies their size. The overall feel is effortless and solid, with a suprising degree of weight in the bass end."

"The low-frequency response is very powerful, considering their size, and the X-ART tweeter produces a very detailed sound. (...) The ABAM AXI is without a doubt the best compact speaker in this price range."

"I've used various monitors for my computer work before, but never of the colliber of the AXX series. Before these, I would have to red my mixes significantly when transitioning from the namel developers to the big, real once." The AAAM Audio AXX; save no a step by previous both great sound in a compact from and by changing monitors and task-work into a quality listening experience. (...) Highly recommended."

N CHAPPELL, HARMONY CENTRAL

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LK KIRSTEN HOFFMANN, AMAZONA

"When it comes to budget studio monitors the ASX from ADAM Audio is a stoke of genius. Price, workmosthip and sound go very well trappleter and make up the perfect studio manier that will barryl have any compellion in its price range. The sound performance is unique for a monitor in this category which above uil it down to the incredible abilities of the X-AST-buester. The ASX is a recommendation for all US and producers who put emphasis can consistent overall concept."

VOSES, SCRATCHMIX

"On the deaking the ASX has made a superh impression. In comparison to other deaking monitors, no one was able to get close to this level. The top-closes T-ASX I hweeter makes the high frequencies sound brilliant and transparent in a great way. And even when the speakers are placed right next to a screen, the imaging is three dimensional and palpable."

7X

"In its price range, the ATX is one of the best monitors available — its sound is amazing. The monitor is excellently tuned with the tweeter being able to depict the finest nuances in the high mid and trebte ranges without colouring the audio material."

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Product sheet

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Catalog: special features \rightarrow 7.03 catalog.pdf

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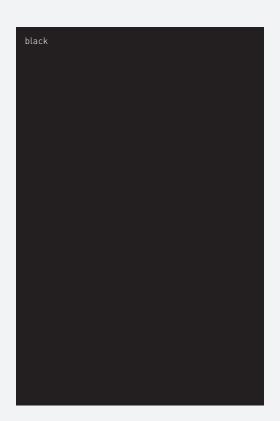
CORPORATE COLORS

BLACK WHITE GRAY

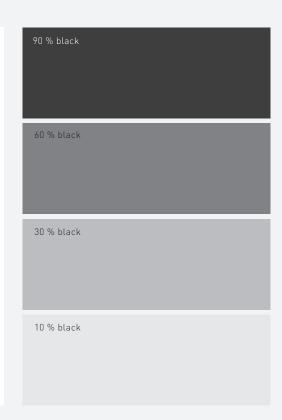
Black, white and gray, in four different gradations, form the three main colors of the ADAM Audio corporate design.

White and gray are used mainly as background colors. Black is rarely used as a solid color.

Additionally, the gray is also taken up in the materiality of the printed matter, which also emphasize the "industrial" look (e.g., by open, gray cardboard for catalog covers).



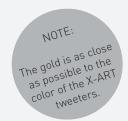
white



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ACCENT COLORS

Additionally, both Professional and Home Audio product segments each get one accent color: gold is used in Professional Audio and silver stands for the Home Audio segment.

Colors and color definitions in print are a very complex topic.

Since colors on different papers have very different effects and we don't know the materials used, at this point we can offer no reliable information for all possibilities. Right now, we can only cite a few examples. Ideally, you should arrange an appointment with the printer before creating a color proof. This is the only way to ensure that the gold and silver comes out as intended

The corresponding RGB color is used for display on the monitor

If cost-intensive foil embossing is desired, we will gladly define this separately.

Preferred metallic color for printing:

Pantone Metallic Premium Coated	Pantone 10117 C	

Alternative if metallic color is not possible:

Pantone Coated:	Pantone 104 EP

CMYK colors

CMYK:	C: 7	M: 13
	Y: 100	K: 29

Screen color-

RGB:	R:200 G: 158 B: 14
HEX:	HEX: C89E0E

Preferred metallic color for printing:

Pantone Metallic Premium Coated	Pantone Silver 10077

Alternative if metallic color is not possible:

ı	Pantone Coated:	Pantone 877 C
ı		

CMYK colors

CMYK:	C: 12	M: 8	
	Y: 8	K: 23	

Screen color-

RGB:	R:194 G: 196 B: 195
HEX:	HEX: C2C4C3

Gold – Professional Audio

Silver – Home Audio

IMAGE PLACEMENT

PHOTOS

A mix of black and white and color images are being used for the ADAM Audio communication in print and digital.





USE

Images can be placed in the layout in three ways: around the edges, integrated in the type area or at the edge to the right and left.

Additionally, free standing images are placed in the layout for product presentation, for example, on catalog pages.

Image plane

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TEXT ON IMAGE

In all print products, text is only placed on images if this image is placed bledoff in the layout.

LOREM IPSUM DOLOR.

Image plane

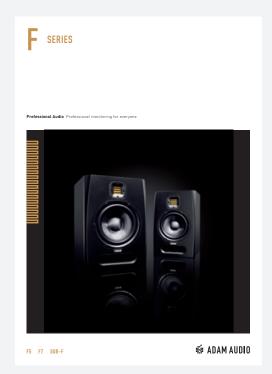
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Image plane

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LOREM IPSUM DOLOR.









Product sheet \rightarrow 7.04 productsheet.pdf

Catalog: Classic MK3 Series (cover) \rightarrow 7.03 catalog.pdf

Catalog: F Series (cover)

→ 7.03 catalog.pdf

Catalog: AX Series (cover) \rightarrow 7.03 catalog.pdf

APPLICATION EXAMPLES

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- \rightarrow 7.10 Reference Story
- → 7.11 Newsletter
- → 7.12 Social Media
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