



Magnum Dynalab MD 109 Tuner

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It's not exactly news that Magnum Dynalab make the best FM tuners in the world. Not exactly a surprise that they're getting an award for doing it, either. But the product that's winning the award – now that is a surprise.

You see, whilst no one seriously questions the excellence of their their performance, not even their most ardent fans would suggest that the magnum tuners represent things of beauty. Well, all that's about to change. The arrival of the MD 109 flagship marks a dramatic change in the appearance of the company's products. Gone is the angular black utility look of previous models, more communications centre than Design Centre, replaced by a sleekly curvaceous fascia available in silver or black with large and beautifully weighted control knobs. The large signal

strength and tuning meters are still there, but now they flank a large touch screen control panel. Oh yes, the changes run far deeper than the external looks. There's a massive new power supply (helping explain the tuner's prodigious weight),



an all new RF front-end, controlled by that LCD touch-screen, as well as the requisite four tubes scattered around the circuitry. All very impressive I hear you say, but who in their right mind would drop £8K on an FM tuner while transmitters are switching off all over the

world? Well, the MD 109 is already configured to accept a DAB module, currently in development. Far from waiting for the end of their world, Magnum Dynalab are embracing the future; long may they thrive. ➤+



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