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Pioneer KURO Home Cinema range launched

LX01BD, LX03BD, and LX01 Blu-ray and DVD touting systems

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Pioneer has announced it is expanding its home cinema range with three new home entertainment systems.

The new models, will become part of its KURO range and build on last year's LX01. The new models; the LX01BD and LX03BD are Pioneer's first home cinema systems to include a Blu-ray player, while the LX03 incorporates a DVD player.

The LX03 and LX03BD will, to fit in with the KURO range will feature a black/brushed aluminium front and top panel. It will also feature intelligent touch sensor buttons that are automatically lit by a motion sensor whenever a hand approaches very much like LG's mobile phones. The LX01BD benefits from an intuitive LCD touchscreen remote and a separate display.

However, disappointingly, the LX01BD will only includes Blu-ray profile 1.1. It will support BonusView, 1080p true 24 movie frames per second playback, 12-bit HDMI Deep Colour support, a dual-drive subwoofer receiver and four distinctive 3-dimensional shaped satellite speakers.

The LX03 comprises a DVD player system, allows SACD/DVD-audio playback and comes with compact satellite speakers, as does the LX03BD. The LX03BD combine the BDP-LX08 stand alone design Blu-ray player with a slim 5.1 channel A/V receiver for advanced audio capabilities.

With two-in, one-out HDMI connections all home cinema systems are completely future ready for the latest sources. KURO LINK support will allow consumers to use the remote control of their KURO flat screen TV to operate these systems'



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main functions. The LX03 and LX03BD are also iPod compatible.

The LX01BD system incorporates a unique dodecahedron speaker concept, which according to Pioneer allows the speakers to generate sound fields in all directions.

The LX03 and LX03BD home cinema systems will be available in October and the LX01BD will be available in November.