Solid State Logic ALPHA 8



Solid State Logic announces the launch of its new ALPHA 8 studio expander, an 8-in/8-out professional-grade AD/DA Converter and 18-in/18-out USB Audio Interface in 1RU. ALPHA 8 is now available through SSL's network of authorized dealers. It pairs seamlessly with the recently launched SSL 18 interface or enhances any existing audio interface with SSL-grade performance via ADAT and S/PDIF.

Equipped with next-generation 32-bit/192 kHz converters, ALPHA 8, which was previewed at The NAMM Show earlier this year, delivers the signature SSL sound and premium quality that professionals trust. With a huge dynamic range, stunningly low THD+N, unmeasurable crosstalk and an exceptionally low noise floor, ALPHA 8 offers pristine line-level audio conversion - perfect for professional and private studios utilising analogue outboard EQs and compressors, samplers, synths, drum machines, and more. With a range of digital and analogue I/O possibilities, ALPHA 8 can support many different routing configurations. Whether users require a simple bidirectional analogue to ADAT/SPDIF converter, an aggregate 18/18 USB audio interface, or a mixture of the two, ALPHA 8 unlocks new hybrid workflows in the studio.

The operating level of each analogue input and output on ALPHA 8 can be

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individually adjusted to +9, +18, +20 or +24 dBu, ensuring optimal signal integrity and maximising headroom for any device connected to the ALPHA 8. Whether it is connected to 19” rack gear, vintage synthesisers, analogue mixers, 500-series modules, or monitor controllers, ALPHA 8 ensures that the signal path to and from your equipment is fully optimized. On the digital side, the unit features Word Clock I/O, ADAT, and S/PDIF clocking options to ensure jitter-free operation whilst elevating the performance of your creative space.



“With our new ALPHA 8 and the recently launched SSL 18 interface, SSL is demonstrating our ongoing commitment to delivering the production tools that the producer and engineers need in the modern studio environment. ALPHA 8 features a comprehensive selection of analogue and digital I/O, enabling our users to make the most of their existing setups, while delivering no-compromise SSL sound and quality.” - Andy Jackson, Senior Product Manager, Studio.

ALPHA 8 unlocks a multitude of workflow possibilities. Users can create hardware insert paths for , analogue outboard rack processors, 500-series modules and FX, They can also use the S/PDIF I/O for digital equipment such as external metering or amp simulators. Alternatively, ALPHA 8 can be used as a primary interface for seamlessly connecting analogue and digital devices to a DAW via USB-C. For electronic music producers, ALPHA 8’s outputs are able to output Control Voltage to control synthesisers, modular rigs and CV-enabled FX pedals.

Moreover, ALPHA 8 is designed to complement the recently launched SSL 18 audio interface, helping producers and engineers realise their dream of putting SSL sound and quality at the core of their productions. With ALPHA 8, users can expand the I/O of the SSL 18 by adding 8 channels (one ALPHA 8) or 16 channels (two ALPHA 8s) as their production requirements grow.

ALPHA 8 comes bundled with the acclaimed SSL Production Pack, creating a complete hardware and software ‘SSL studio’ solution. The SSL Production Pack features a selection of must-have virtual instruments, plug-ins, samples and DAWs, including Harrison Mixbus 10 (worth over $1100). Additionally, users receive an extended trial of Complete Access which includes every plug-in from SSL, Slate Digital and Harrison Audio.

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ALPHA 8 Key Features:

- The ultimate audio interface expander
- High-performance, next-generation 32-bit / 192 kHz conversion
- Class-leading dynamic range, THD+N and crosstalk audio performance
- 8 balanced line inputs and outputs
- 10 digital inputs and outputs (8 channels of ADAT, 2 channels of S/PDIF)
- Flexible conversion configurations
- 18-in/18-out USB audio interface
- High-current front panel headphone confidence check – audition any individual input or output (or stereo pair)
- Dedicated front panel input and output meters
- Word clock I/O & input termination switch
  - Clock internally or from incoming ADAT, S/PDIF or word clock

ALPHA 8 is available now through SSL's network of authorised dealers.

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