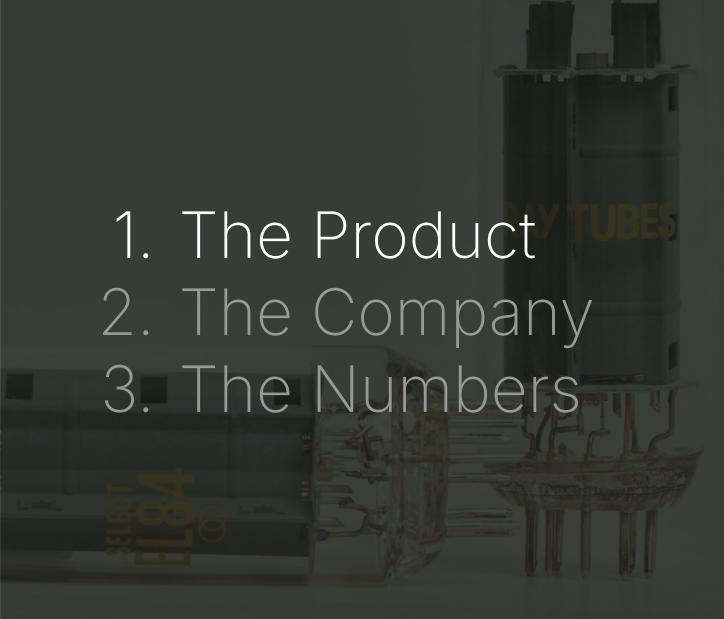


#### **RAY TUBES**

SELECT EL34 Product Media Kit







#### SELECT EL34

The **EL34** is a power pentode vacuum tube that was introduced by Mullard in 1955 and is usually found in an amplifier's final output stage. Befitting its British origins, the EL34 was commonly used in amps built by companies like Marshall and Vox—as such, it became associated with British music of that era.





# Product Highlights

The **Ray Tubes SELECT Collection** offers the best tubes you'll ever need. It goes above and beyond the baseline to bring out the best in all your favourites.

- Designed and manufactured by a team with decades of experience
- Hand-selected by engineers—only the top tubes make the cut
- Gold pins for durability and longevity
- Substantially more consistent performance than New Old Stock
- Unlike NOS and most other new production, covered by the Ray Tubes
  One Year Warranty

#### Sound Characteristics

The SELECT EL34 offers powerful base and rich mid-to-high frequencies, perfect for users seeking balanced and detailed sound.

- The bass is solid with a very clear low-end, making it ideal for genres like rock and electronic music.
- The midrange frequencies are full and natural with a warm, expressive tone. Vocals especially are detailed and realistic.
- The treble performance is clear and richly-detailed without excessive harshness.
- The dynamics are particularly suited to large contrasts, while the soundstage is wide with precise imagining and layers.







## Our Philosophy

Tube audio has brought audiophiles together for decades, but in recent years, it's **become more difficult to access than ever.** Ray Tubes is on a mission to change that. With rigorous quality control standards backed by the Ray Tubes One Year Warranty, **Ray Tubes is making reliable, consistent vacuum tubes accessible to everyone**—audiophiles old and new, musicians, retailers and amp designers around the world, and why not, even that one guy who just thinks tubes look cool on his shelf.

The bottom line: Ray Tubes puts in the work so you can experience the warm, vintage sound of tube audio **without the hassle**.

## Our Quality Control

Each tube undergoes **a seven-step quality control process**, including a 24-hour burn-in period, stress tests to minimise microphonics, and critical parameters that are carefully measured to ensure consistency and accurate matching. Finally, sound engineers assess each tube **under real-world listening conditions**.

By the end of the quality control process, only 5% of tubes commissioned for production meet Ray Tubes' standards.



#### Our Warranty

Books have been written about the countless ways vacuum tubes can and do fail. With most manufacturers, and all New Old Stock, a tube failure leaves the user high and dry. Ray Tubes is different. All Ray Tubes products are backed by the **Ray Tubes One Year Warranty**, which covers manufacturing defects for twelve months from the date of purchase.



#### Partnership and Feedback

Ray Tubes is always looking to improve their products and expand their wonderful network of retail, brand, and studio partners. Is there a tube you'd love to see in the lineup? Are you interested in stocking Ray Tubes, collaborating on a product, or showing off Ray Tubes in your space? Or do you simply have a comment or question you'd like to share? Get in touch at <a href="mailto:help@raytubes.com">help@raytubes.com</a>.







- Tube Type: EL34
- Tube Socket: 8-pin

- Max Anode Dissipation Power: 25 W
- Max Screen Dissipation Power: 8 W
- Output Power in Class A1 Amp (Single Tube): Greater than 10 W
- Output Power in Class AB1 Amp: Greater than 35 W



- Max Anode Voltage: 800 V
- Max Screen Voltage: 500 V
- Max Grid Voltage: ~15 ∨
- Heater Voltage: 6.3 ∨
- Heater Current: 1.5 A
- Transconductance: 11 mA/V
- Amplification Factor: 11
- Internal Resistance: 15 kΩ



#### Tetrode Connection

Screen Voltage: 250 V

Anode Voltage: 250 V

Anode Current: 140 mA

 $\circ$  **Grid Voltage:** 15  $\lor$ 

Grid Current: 3 mA

• Internal Resistance:  $12 \text{ k}\Omega$ 

Amplification Factor: 8



#### Triode Connection

Anode Voltage: 250 V

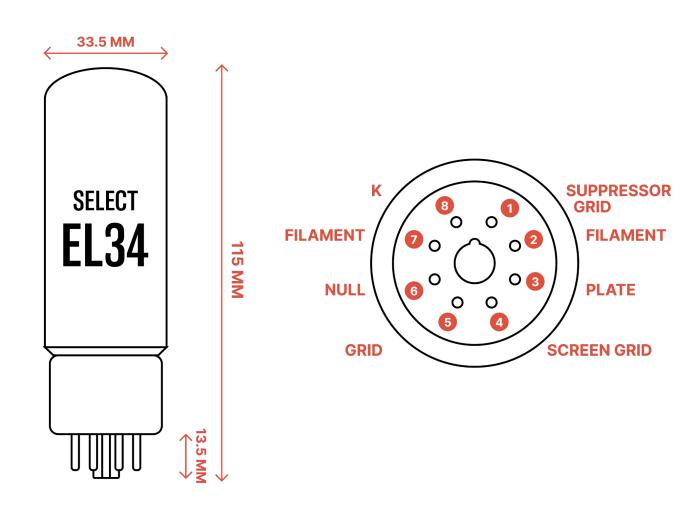
Anode Current: 143 mA

Grid Voltage: 15 V

• Internal Resistance:  $670 \Omega$ 

Amplification Factor: 8







#### Package Contents

- Set of four, two or single vacuum tube
- User handbook featuring burn-in guidelines
- Certificate of authenticity and warranty



#### Ray Tubes Retail Partners

Local audio retailers are the beating heart of any community of audiophiles. No one's better placed to help you with every aspect of your purchase than your local retailer, and part of the Ray Tubes mission is to support those retailers in any way possible. That's why there are no direct sales through the Ray Tubes website. Instead, check out the extensive network of Ray Tubes retail partners at <a href="https://raytubes.com/pages/retailers">https://raytubes.com/pages/retailers</a>.

You won't be disappointed.





