

Some FAQ regarding upgrading.

-Which gunmetal platters did Micro Seiki make?

1. RT-111G: net weight 10 kg.
For upgrade Micro Seiki turntable models: RX-1500A, SX-1500A and BL-91 turntable systems. The RT-111G was used on Micro Seiki BL-111 and BL-111L turntable. A special spindle washer & lock nuts are needed.
2. RT-1900G: net weight 7 kg.
3. RT-2000G: net weight 8 kg
For upgrade Micro Seiki turntable models: BL-91 (With RT-2000A), BL-91L (With RT-2000A), RX-1500A, RB-1500A, Full Choice Player 1500A and SX-1500A
4. RT-3000G: net weight 10 kg.
For upgrade Micro Seiki turntable models: BL-91, BL-91G (With RT-2000G), RX-1500A, RX-1500G (With RT-2000G), SX-1500A, SX-1500G (With RT-2000G) A special spindle spacer set is needed.
5. RT-5000G: net weight 16 kg.
Only for the RX-5000

-Can my RX-1500 axle handle a heavy RT-2000G Platter?

Micro Seiki made the RX-1500 Turntable to be upgradable. You could buy the RX-1500 in four standards and after buying one of them the customer could upgrade his system with many variations.

On the picture below the upgrades are shown.



Most people own a standard RX-1500 with a standard S-1500 axle and a RT-2000A platter. For those owners all kind of upgrades were available.

For example.

If you want to replace your standard RT-2000A with a better one, than the customer could buy a RT-2000G. The standard axle (S-1500) is strong enough to be fitted with the RT-2000G.

So, the answer is yes. The standard RX-1500 can be fitted with the RT-2000G Platter.

-Can the RX-1500 standard axle handle even more weight?

Yes, no problem.

You can use a standard RT-1500 in combination with a RT-2000G, a ST-10 (Stabilizer; 1 Kg) and a Platter Ring, (3 Kg) at the same time.

For the Micro Seiki RX-1500 series, Micro Seiki also made another very special upgrade regarding the platter. A more heavy platter named RT-111G (10 kg) could be placed. This option could not be bought worldwide. (see the pictures)



Micro Seiki RT-111G GUNMETAL turntable platter with spindle ring & lock nuts.

RT-111G was used on Micro Seiki BL-111 or BL-111L, net weight 10kg. To be used with spindle washer & lock nuts.

Upgrade for RX-1500A, SX-1500A and BL-91 turntable systems.

Top Class Audio Art in Hong Kong has those originals.

-But what about the standard feet of the RX-1500?

If you own a standard RX-1500, than your turntable has feet with springs. Upgrading a standard RX-1500 meant in most cases more weight. More weight on the standard feet. Micro Seiki had solved that problem in two ways.

In the beginning Micro Seiki offered more sturdy springs, but also special designed feet were offered. Those feet (R-15 Rigid Feet; no suspension) are based in my opinion on the experience made by other turntables like the RX-5000 or the SX-8000. These R-15 feet are shown on the first picture.

-Is a gunmetal platter polished?

No, an original gunmetal platter is not polished.

Sometimes you can find pictures of polished platters on the Internet. Those platters are polished by their owners.



Example of a polished gunmetal Platter.

-Must I use a protective rubber mat between a gunmetal platter and the disk?

Micro Seiki wrote on the second page off the RX-5000 Flyer:

“It is designed to accommodate disks directly and so compared with the usual rubber mat, there is a marked improvement in the reproduced sound quality, positionality, resolution and distortion as well as in the level.”

And...

“By removing the rubber mat from the face of the platter, the disk and platter merge into a harmonious whole and the stiffness of the record is enhanced.”

So, the answer is no. A rubber mat is not needed.

There is however a special designed mat which could be used on gunmetal platters. The Micro Seiki AS-1 leather mat. Top Class Audio Art in Hong Kong has those originals.