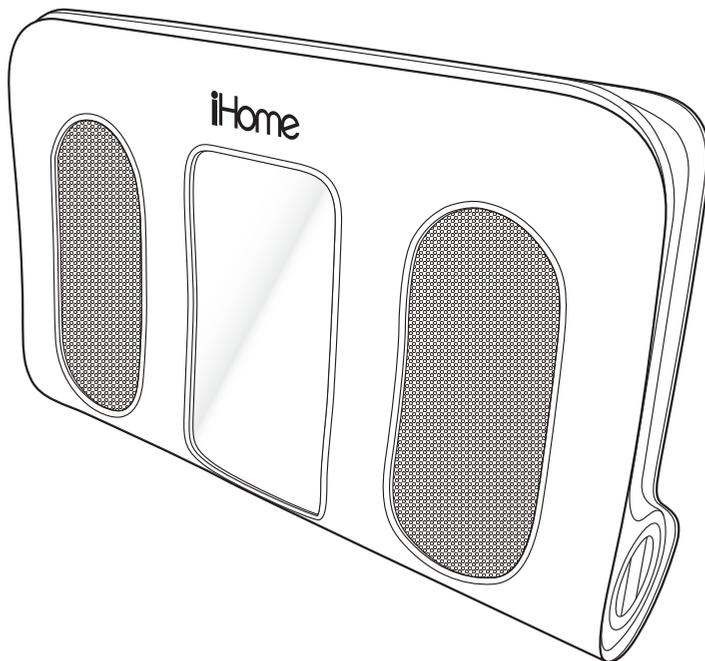


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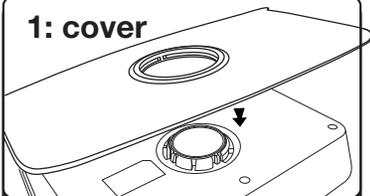
*Model iHM8*  
**portable music system**  
**with reversible case**



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# iHM8 Quick start

## 1: cover

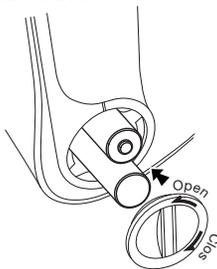


Make sure the stand feet are folded in travel position before attaching or removing the cover.

**To remove cover:** grip cover near the Support Thumbwheel ring and pull away from unit.

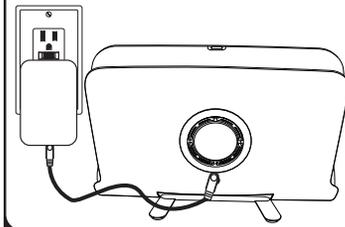
**To attach cover:** line up the mounting ring on the cover with the slots around the Support Thumbwheel and press into place. Wrap cover around unit and press into place.

## 2: batteries



For portable operation, open the battery compartments on each side of the unit. Insert 2 "AA" batteries in each end as shown.

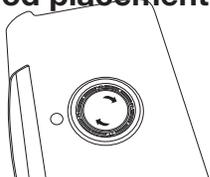
## 3: AC power (optional)



Attach optional AC adaptor cable to jack on back of the iHM8 and plug the other end into a wall socket to play.

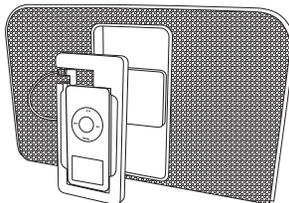
To play your iPod or MP3 player, turn it on and press play once the device is safely in the unit.

## 4: iPod placement



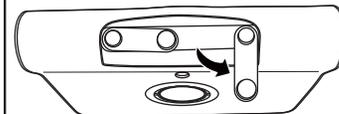
Place your iPod / MP3 player into the player dock. Connect the audio cord to the headphone jack on your iPod/ MP3 player. Turn the Support Thumbwheel to adjust the player support plate until your iPod/MP3 player fits firmly against the clear protective window.

## 5: nano



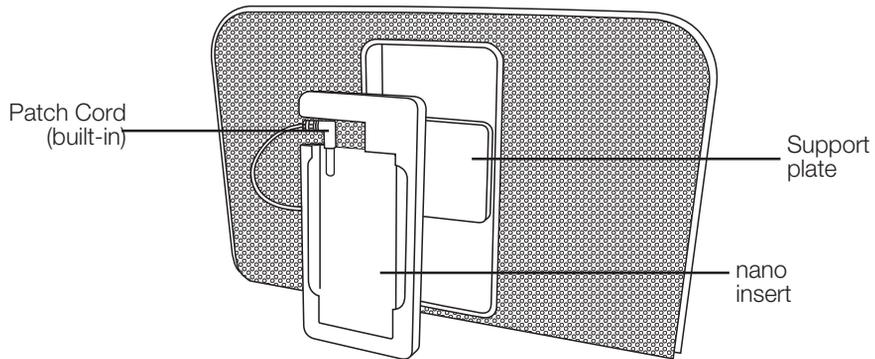
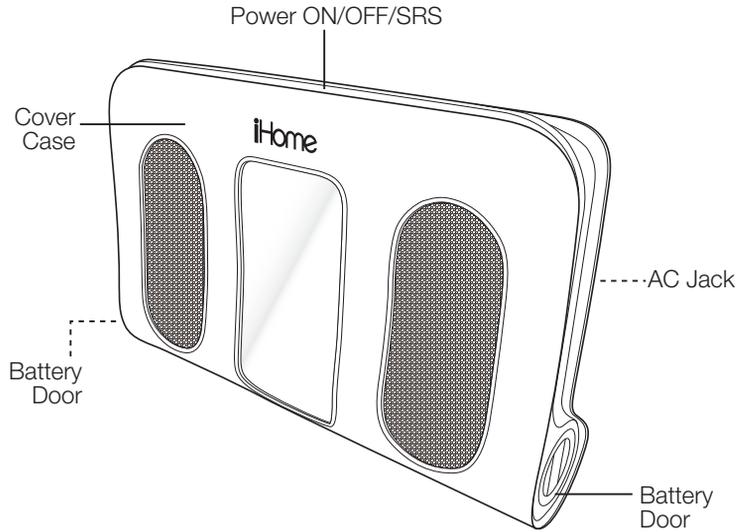
To use with iPod nano, place the included nano insert into the player dock, then place your nano into the insert. Connect the audio cord to the nano headphone jack. Adjust the Support Thumbwheel.

## 6: stand



Swing the stand feet out from the unit for upright listening, and swing them back into place for travel.

# Controls and Indicators



# Using the iHM8

Thank you for purchasing the iHM8. Designed to work with your iPod/MP3 player or any audio device, this system provides high quality audio and that invites your music to come out and play. Please read the instructions carefully before operating the unit and keep for future reference.

## Installing/Replacing Batteries

1. Turn open the battery compartment doors located on each side of the unit.
2. Insert 2 “AA” (LR6) batteries (not included) in each compartment as indicated, making sure the polarity (+ and –) ends of the batteries match the drawing inside the battery compartment. We recommend the use of alkaline batteries only for longer life.
3. Close the compartment cover.

## For Best Performance

- Use alkaline batteries
- Do not mix old and new batteries.
- Do not mix alkaline, standard (carbon-zinc) or rechargeable batteries.
- Make sure you dispose of batteries properly (see your local regulations).

## Connecting the iHM8 to Power Source

Connect a 7.5 volt-regulated positive center AC adaptor (not included) cable plug into the DC power jack on the back of the unit, then plug the AC adaptor into a wall outlet. When connected to the AC adaptor, you can use the iHM8 without batteries to play your iPod/MP3 player or other audio device.

**Note: AC adaptor is optional (sold separately), and does not charge the iHM8 batteries nor iPod /MP3 player**

## Listening to an iPod/MP3 player or other audio device

An audio patch cord comes built-in to the iHM8. Use it to play any iPod models /MP3 player or other audio devices through the iHM8 Line-in cable. (Plug into the device's Line-out or Headphone Jack)

1. Plug one end of the audio patch cord into the Headphone or Line-out Jack on your audio device. When using a 2nd or 3rd Gen nano, place the included nano insert into the dock, then place the nano gently into the insert first before connecting the audio patch cord to the nano headphone jack.
2. Turn the Support Thumbwheel on the back of the unit until the face of your iPod or other device is held firmly against the clear window.
3. Turn on your iPod/MP3 player or other audio device, press the PLAY Button and set your desired Volume Level.
4. Switch the Mode Button (OFF-ON-SRS) located at the top of the unit to the “ON” position.
5. To extend the battery life, switch the Mode Button (OFF-ON-SRS) located at the top of the unit to “OFF” position when not in use.

**NOTE: Connected iPhones create audio interference noise when a call is received. Turn on Airplane mode to disable phone while playing music.**

## Listening with the SRS (WOW) Sound enhancement feature

Switch the Mode Button (OFF-ON-SRS) located at the top of the unit to the SRS (WOW) position to enable the SRS (WOW) sound enhancement circuitry. This circuitry is designed to provide a broader audio image with enhanced low range and mid range sound reproduction to bring added life to compressed MP3 files.

## Maintenance

- Place the unit on a level surface away from sources of direct sunlight or excessive heat.
- Protect your furniture when placing your unit on a natural wood and lacquered finish. A cloth or other protective material should be placed between it and the furniture.
- Clean your unit with a soft cloth moistened only with mild soap and water. Stronger cleaning agents, such as Benzine, thinner or similar materials can damage the surface of the unit.

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When used in the directed manner, this unit has been designed and manufactured to ensure your personal safety. However, improper use can result in potential electrical shock or fire hazards. Please read all safety and operating instructions carefully before installation and use, and keep these instructions handy for future reference. Take special note of all warnings listed in these instructions and on the unit.

1. **Water and Moisture** – The unit should not be used near water. For example: near a bathtub, washbowl, kitchen sink, laundry tub, swimming pool or in a wet basement.
2. **Ventilation** – The unit should be situated so that its location or position does not interfere with its proper ventilation. For example, it should not be situated on a bed, sofa, rug or similar surface that may block ventilation openings. Also, it should not be placed in a built-in installation, such as a bookcase or cabinet, which may impede the flow of air through the ventilation openings.
3. **Heat** – The unit should be situated away from heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves or other appliances (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
4. **Power Sources** – The unit should be connected to a power supply only of the type described in the operating instructions or as marked on the appliance.
5. **Power-Cable Protection** – Power supply cables should be routed so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them. It is always best to have a clear area from where the cable exits the unit to where it is plugged into an AC socket.
6. **Cleaning** – The unit should be cleaned only as recommended. See the Maintenance section of this manual for cleaning instructions.
7. **Objects and Liquid Entry** – Care should be taken so that objects do not fall and liquids are not spilled into any openings or vents located on the product.
8. **Attachments** – Do not use attachments not recommended by the product manufacturer.
9. **Lightning and Power Surge Protection** – Unplug the unit from the wall socket and disconnect the antenna or cable system during a lightning storm or when it is left unattended and unused for long periods of time. This will prevent damage to the product due to lightning and power-line surges.
10. **Overloading** – Do not overload wall sockets, extension cords, or integral convenience receptacles as this can result in a risk of fire or electric shock.
11. **Damage Requiring Service** – The unit should be serviced by qualified service personnel when:
  - A. the power supply cable or plug has been damaged.
  - B. objects have fallen into or liquid has been spilled into the enclosure.
  - C. the unit has been exposed to rain.
  - D. the unit has been dropped or the enclosure damaged.
  - E. the unit exhibits a marked change in performance or does not operate normally.
12. **Periods of Nonuse** – If the unit is to be left unused for an extended period of time, such as a month or longer, the power cable should be unplugged and batteries removed from the unit to prevent damage or corrosion.
13. **Servicing** – The user should not attempt to service the unit beyond those methods described in the user's operating instructions. Service methods not covered in the operating instructions should be referred to qualified service personnel.

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## Trouble Shooting

Symptom	Possible Problem	Solution
iHM8 does not turn on	no batteries are installed	Install fresh batteries
No sound from iHM8	Volume is set too low on MP3 player	Make sure volume is turned up on your iPod or other MP3 player
	iPod is not connected to audio cable	Make sure the audio cable plug is connected properly to the headphone jack on your iPod or other MP3 player
iPod didn't charge up	The iHM8 does not charge any iPod models	Use another method to charge your iPod
iPod doesn't work	iPod battery has problem	Please make sure your iPod is working properly and charged up before docking into the unit. You may need to reset your iPod.
	iPod is locked up/ frozen	
Sound is distorted	Sound source is distorted	If the iPod original sound source (MP3) is old or of poor quality, distortion and noise are easily noticed with high-power speakers. Try a different audio source such as a music CD.
		Try reducing the output volume on the device itself. Also try setting iPod EQ to flat.
	Batteries are weak	Install fresh batteries
Loud noise when using iPhone	Loud buzzing (TDMA noise) from the iPhone may occur due to the iPhone sending signals out to cell towers	Set your iPhone to Airplane mode. Note: the iPhone will not ring while Airplane mode is on.

# Limited 90-Day Warranty Information

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iHome Products, a division of SDI Technologies Inc. (hereafter referred to as SDI Technologies), warrants this product to be free from defects in workmanship and materials, under normal use and conditions, for a period of 90 days from the date of original purchase.

Should this product fail to function in a satisfactory manner, it is best to first return it to the store where it was originally purchased. Should this fail to resolve the matter and service still be required by reason of any defect or malfunction during the warranty period, SDI Technologies will repair or, at its discretion, replace this product without charge (except for a \$10.00 charge for handling, packing, return UPS/postage, and insurance). This decision is subject to verification of the defect or malfunction upon delivery of this product to the Factory Service Center listed below. The product must include proof of purchase, including date of purchase. The fee for service without proof of purchase is \$30.00.

Before returning this product for service, please first replace the batteries (if applicable) with fresh ones, as exhausted or defective batteries are the most common cause of problems encountered.

If service is still required:

1. Remove the batteries (if applicable) and pack the unit in a well padded, heavy corrugated box.
2. Enclose a photocopy of your sales receipt, credit card statement, or other proof of the date of purchase, if within the warranty period.
3. Enclose a check or money order payable to the order of SDI Technologies, for the sum of \$10.00 (\$30.00 without proof of purchase).
4. Send the unit prepaid and insured, to the Factory Service Center listed below.

Consumer Repair Department  
SDI Technologies Inc.  
1330 Goodyear Drive  
El Paso, TX 79936-6420

## Disclaimer of Warranty

NOTE: This warranty is valid only if the product is used for the purpose for which it was designed. It does not cover (i) products which have been damaged by negligence or willful actions, misuse or accident, or which have been modified or repaired by unauthorized persons; (ii) cracked or broken cabinets, or units damaged by excessive heat; (iii) damage to digital media players, CD's or tape cassettes (if applicable); (iv) the cost of shipping this product to the Factory Service Center and its return to the owner.

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