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Victrola VSC-550BT-UK

Victrola Journey Bluetooth Portable Suitcase Record Player

MODEL: VSC-550BT-UK

Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation of your Victrola Journey Bluetooth Portable Suitcase Record Player. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the product and retain it for future reference. This record player is designed to play 33 1/3, 45, and 78 RPM vinyl records and offers Bluetooth connectivity for streaming audio.



The Victrola Journey Bluetooth Portable Suitcase Record Player, featuring a UK Flag design, shown open with a record ready for playback.

Important Safety Instructions

- Read all instructions before use.
- Keep this manual for future reference.
- Do not use this apparatus near water.
- Clean only with a dry cloth.
- Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched, particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
- Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
- Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
- Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.

Product Components

Familiarize yourself with the various parts of your Victrola Journey Record Player:



A detailed diagram highlighting the essential components of the record player, including inputs, outputs, controls, and features.

- **Turntable Platter:** Where records are placed for playback.
- **Tone Arm:** Holds the stylus and tracks the record grooves.
- **Stylus (Needle):** The component that reads the record's grooves.
- **Speed Selector:** Allows selection of 33 1/3, 45, or 78 RPM.
- **Power/Volume Knob:** Turns the unit on/off and adjusts speaker volume.
- **Input Select Knob:** Switches between Phono (vinyl), Bluetooth, and Aux-In modes.
- **Auto Stop Switch:** Engages or disengages the auto-stop function.
- **Built-in Speakers:** Integrated speakers for audio output.
- **Headphone Jack:** For private listening.
- **3.5mm Aux-In Jack:** For connecting external audio devices.

- **RCA Output Jacks:** For connecting to external amplifiers or powered speakers.
- **AC Power Jack:** For connecting the power adapter.
- **Carry Handle:** For portability.

Setup

1. Unpacking

- Carefully remove the unit from its packaging.
- Remove any protective materials, including the stylus guard and tone arm tie-wrap.
- Retain the packaging for transport or storage.

2. Power Connection

- Connect the AC power adapter to the AC Power Jack on the back of the unit.
- Plug the adapter into a standard wall outlet.

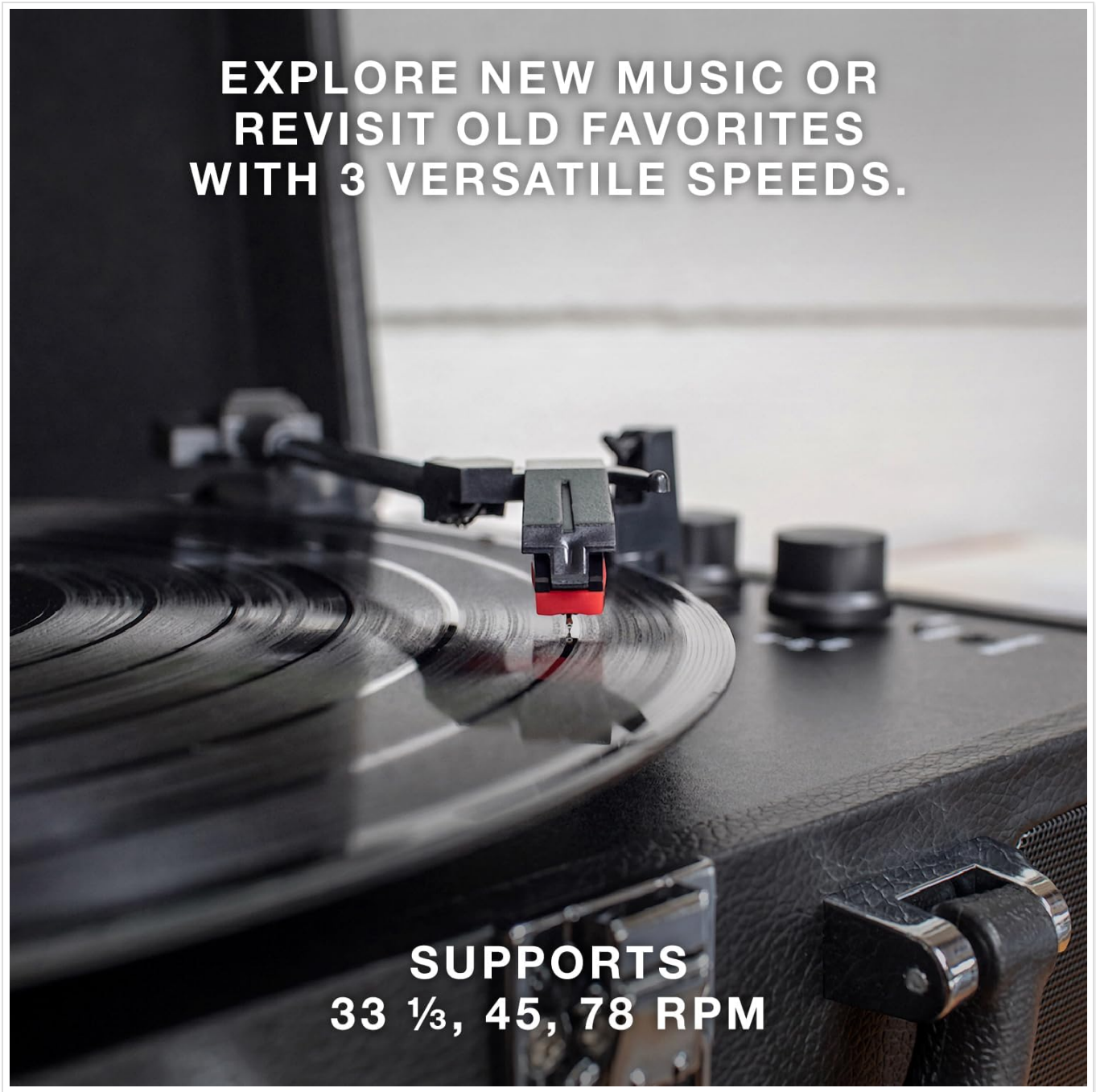
3. Initial Placement

- Place the record player on a flat, stable surface to prevent vibrations that could affect playback quality.
- Ensure adequate ventilation around the unit.

Operating Instructions

1. Playing Vinyl Records

- Lift the lid of the record player.
- Place a vinyl record on the turntable platter.
- Select the appropriate speed (33 1/3, 45, or 78 RPM) using the speed selector switch. For 45 RPM records, place the included 45 RPM adapter on the center spindle.
- Turn the Power/Volume knob clockwise to turn on the unit and set a low volume.
- Set the Input Select knob to PHONO.
- Gently lift the tone arm and move it over the record. The platter will begin to spin.
- Carefully lower the tone arm onto the desired track of the record.
- Adjust the volume to your preference.
- When the record finishes playing, the auto-stop function (if enabled) will stop the platter. Manually return the tone arm to its rest.



A close-up view of the record player's stylus engaging with a vinyl record, demonstrating its multi-speed capability.



Visual representation of the record player's 3-speed turntable functionality.

2. Bluetooth Pairing

- Turn the Power/Volume knob clockwise to turn on the unit.
- Set the Input Select knob to BT (Bluetooth). The indicator light will flash blue, indicating pairing mode.
- Enable Bluetooth on your external device (e.g., smartphone, tablet).
- Search for "Victrola Journey" in your device's Bluetooth list and select it to connect.
- Once paired, the indicator light will stop flashing and remain solid blue. You can now stream audio from your device to the record player's built-in speakers.
- Adjust the volume using the Power/Volume knob on the record player and/or your external device.



The record player demonstrating its wireless music streaming capability via Bluetooth.



A visual emphasizing the Bluetooth connectivity feature.

3. Auxiliary Input

- Connect an external audio device (e.g., CD player, MP3 player) to the 3.5mm Aux-In Jack using a 3.5mm audio cable (not included).
- Set the Input Select knob to AUX.
- Play audio from your external device. The sound will be output through the record player's built-in speakers.
- Adjust the volume using the Power/Volume knob on the record player and/or your external device.

4. RCA Output

- To connect the record player to an external amplifier or powered speakers, use an RCA cable (not included).
- Connect the RCA output jacks on the back of the record player to the corresponding input jacks on your external audio system.
- Ensure the input selector on your external audio system is set to the correct input.
- The volume will primarily be controlled by your external audio system.



Illustration of the RCA output and built-in speakers with auxiliary input options.

5. Headphone Use

- Plug headphones into the Headphone Jack on the unit.
- The built-in speakers will be muted when headphones are connected.
- Adjust the volume using the Power/Volume knob.



A user enjoying music through headphones connected to the record player, highlighting the personal listening option.

6. Auto Stop Function

- The Auto Stop switch is located near the tone arm.
- When set to ON, the turntable will automatically stop spinning when the record reaches its end.
- When set to OFF, the turntable will continue to spin even after the record has finished playing. This setting is recommended for some records that may have issues with the auto-stop mechanism.

Maintenance

1. Cleaning the Unit

- Wipe the exterior of the unit with a soft, dry cloth.
- Do not use harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners.

- Keep the lid closed when not in use to protect the turntable from dust.

2. Stylus Replacement

- The stylus (needle) is a consumable part and will wear out over time. A worn stylus can damage records and degrade sound quality.
- Replace the stylus after approximately 200-300 hours of playback.
- Refer to the manufacturer's website or contact customer support for information on purchasing replacement styli and detailed replacement instructions.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No power	Power adapter not connected or outlet not working.	Ensure power adapter is securely connected to the unit and a working wall outlet.
No sound from speakers	Volume too low; Input Select knob set incorrectly; Headphones connected.	Increase volume; Set Input Select to PHONO, BT, or AUX as appropriate; Disconnect headphones.
Record skips	Record is dirty or scratched; Stylus is worn or damaged; Unit is not on a stable surface.	Clean record; Replace stylus; Place unit on a flat, stable surface away from vibrations.
Bluetooth not connecting	Unit not in pairing mode; Device too far; Incorrect device selected.	Ensure Input Select is on BT and indicator is flashing; Move device closer; Select "Victrola Journey" from your device's Bluetooth list.
Turntable not spinning	Power off; Tone arm not lifted; Auto Stop engaged with no record playing.	Turn on power; Lift tone arm from rest; Place record and lower tone arm.

Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Name	VSC-550BT-UK
Brand	Victrola
Product Dimensions	5 x 13.9 x 5 inches (126 x 350 x 255 mm)
Item Weight	2.69 pounds
Maximum Rotational Speed	78 RPM (supports 33 1/3, 45, 78 RPM)
Included Components	Bluetooth Record Player
Special Feature	Portable
Material	Plastic

Feature	Detail
Color	UK Flag
Compatible Devices	Headphone, Smartphone, Speaker
On-mode power consumption	10 watts



A visual representation of the record player's dimensions.

Warranty and Support

Victrola products are designed with quality and reliability in mind. For warranty information, please refer to the documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Victrola website. If you encounter any issues or require technical assistance, please contact Victrola customer support.

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