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Model: DHT-S218 | Brand: Denon

INTRODUCTION

The Denon DHT-S218 2.1-Channel Sound Bar is designed to deliver an immersive home theater audio experience. Equipped with Dolby Atmos technology, it provides 3D cinematic sound. This sound bar features two powerful built-in down-firing subwoofers, dual midrange drivers, and tweeters for exceptional audio performance. It supports wireless streaming via Bluetooth Low Energy (LE) Audio and offers advanced connectivity options including 4K UHD HDMI with eARC.

Key Features:

- Premium 2.1 Channel Soundbar with Dolby Atmos for 3D cinematic audio.
- Two powerful built-in, down-firing subwoofers for enhanced bass.
- Dual midrange drivers and tweeters for clear audio.
- Wireless streaming via Bluetooth Low Energy (LE) Audio.
- Denon Dialog Enhancer for crystal-clear dialogue.
- Four sound modes: Pure, Movie, Music, and Night mode.
- Advanced connectivity with 4K UHD HDMI with eARC, multi-pairing, and multi-point Bluetooth.

SETUP GUIDE

What's in the Box:

- Power Cord
- HDMI Cable
- Remote Control & (x2) AAA Batteries
- Quick Start Guide
- Safety instructions

Placement:

Place the Denon DHT-S218 sound bar centrally in front of your television. Its low-profile design allows it to sit comfortably without obstructing the TV screen. Ensure there is adequate space around the sound bar for optimal sound dispersion, especially for the down-firing subwoofers. The sound bar can also be wall-mounted using the integrated keyhole slots on the rear panel.

DHT-S218

Enhanced music streaming via Bluetooth® Low Energy (LE) Audio

Pair your smartphone or tablet to easily stream music with low latency and higher quality sound via Bluetooth® Low Energy (LE) Audio.



Image: The Denon DHT-S218 Sound Bar positioned below a television, demonstrating typical placement in a home entertainment setup.

Connections:

Connect the sound bar to your television using the supplied HDMI cable. Plug one end into the HDMI eARC/ARC port on your TV and the other end into the 'TV (HDMI eARC/ARC)' port on the sound bar. This connection allows for high-quality audio transmission and control of the sound bar using your TV remote. Additional inputs include HDMI In, Optical In, AUX In, and USB for versatile connectivity with various devices.

Single HDMI connection

Easily connect to your smart TV via a single HDMI connection with Enhanced Audio Return Channel (eARC).



Image: Detailed view of the rear panel connections, highlighting the HDMI eARC/ARC port for TV connection, along with other input options.

Initial Power On:

After connecting all necessary cables, plug the power cord into the sound bar and then into a wall outlet. The sound bar will enter standby mode. Press the power button on the sound bar or the remote control to turn it on. The indicator light will illuminate, signifying that the unit is operational.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Basic Controls:

The sound bar features intuitive controls located on its top panel and via the included remote control. These include Power On/Off, Input Selection, Volume Up/Down, and Sound Mode selection. Familiarize yourself with these controls for easy operation.

3D audio with Dolby Atmos

Spectacular surround sound tuned by the Denon Sound Master for the perfect cinema experience.



Image: The top panel of the sound bar displaying the tactile control buttons for power, input selection, and volume adjustment.

Sound Modes:

The DHT-S218 offers four distinct sound modes to optimize your listening experience:

- **Pure Mode:** Disables surround sound processing for an unaltered, pristine music listening experience.
- **Movie Mode:** Enhances cinematic audio with immersive surround effects.
- **Music Mode:** Optimized for music playback, providing balanced and rich audio.
- **Night Mode:** Reduces dynamic range, making quiet sounds audible and loud sounds less disruptive, ideal for late-night viewing.

Utilize the Denon Dialog Enhancer feature to sharpen dialogue clarity, ensuring conversations are crystal clear even in complex audio soundtracks, without needing to adjust the overall volume.

Bluetooth Pairing:

To stream audio wirelessly from your smartphone or tablet, activate Bluetooth on your device and select 'Denon DHT-S218' from the list of available devices. The sound bar supports Bluetooth Low Energy (LE) Audio for higher quality sound with low latency, and also features multi-pairing and multi-point capabilities for connecting multiple devices.

Upgrade your TV sound

Upgrade to amazing entertainment audio with two built-in, down-firing subwoofers, and dual mid-range drivers and tweeters.



Image: A visual representation of wireless audio streaming, showing individuals enjoying music with the sound bar in their living space.

MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Denon DHT-S218 Sound Bar, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Gently wipe the exterior surfaces with a soft, dry cloth. Avoid using abrasive cleaners, waxes, or solvents as they may damage the finish.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure the sound bar's ventilation openings are not blocked. Proper airflow prevents overheating.
- **Storage:** If storing the sound bar for an extended period, disconnect it from power and store it in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
- **Dust Accumulation:** Periodically use a soft brush or a vacuum cleaner with a brush attachment to remove dust from the speaker grilles and vents.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your Denon DHT-S218 Sound Bar, refer to the following common problems and their solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No Sound	Incorrect input selected; Volume too low; Cables not connected properly; TV audio output settings.	Verify the correct input is selected on the sound bar. Increase the volume. Check all cable connections (HDMI, Optical, AUX). Ensure your TV's audio output is set to the correct external speaker option (e.g., HDMI ARC/eARC).
No Power	Power cord disconnected; Power outlet issue.	Ensure the power cord is securely connected to both the sound bar and a working wall outlet. Try a different outlet.
Bluetooth Pairing Fails	Sound bar not in pairing mode; Device too far; Interference.	Ensure the sound bar is in Bluetooth pairing mode (refer to operating instructions). Move your device closer to the sound bar. Minimize interference from other wireless devices.
Poor Sound Quality	Incorrect sound mode; Source audio quality; Room acoustics.	Try different sound modes (Movie, Music, Pure). Ensure the audio source is high quality. Adjust sound bar placement or room acoustics if possible.
Remote Control Not Working	Batteries depleted; Obstruction; Incorrect angle.	Replace the AAA batteries. Remove any obstructions between the remote and the sound bar. Point the remote directly at the sound bar's sensor.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Detailed specifications for the Denon DHT-S218 Sound Bar:

Feature	Specification
Model Name	DHT-S218
Speaker Type	Soundbar
Mounting Type	Shelf Mount
Special Feature	Dolby Enabled (Dolby Atmos)
Recommended Uses	For Televisions, Home Theater Systems, Living Rooms
Product Dimensions (D x W x H)	4.7"D x 35"W x 2.6"H
Item Weight	10.68 pounds
Connectivity Technology	Bluetooth, HDMI
Wireless Communication Technology	Bluetooth, Wi-Fi
Audio Output Mode	Surround
Speaker Maximum Output Power	120 Watts

Feature	Specification
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Frequency Response	20 KHz
Included Components	Power Cord, Safety instructions, HDMI Cable, Remote Control & (x2) AAA Batteries, Quick Start Guide
Power Source	Corded Electric
Control Method	Remote, App control
UPC	747192143329



Image: Product dimensions for planning placement and installation.

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Warranty Information:

The Denon DHT-S218 Sound Bar comes with a Limited Warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included in your product packaging for specific terms, conditions, and duration of coverage. Retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

Customer Support:

For further assistance, technical support, or service inquiries, please visit the official Denon website or contact their customer support line. Contact information can typically be found in the Quick Start Guide or on the Denon support page online. When contacting support, please have your product model number (DHT-S218) and serial number ready.