Quick Question: Does anyone own an A4 without paint issues?? Posted by Bach - 2013/09/18 05:16

Just wondering if I should spend the extra \$ for a newer one.. of course, I only would if the paint was improved. I heard of someone receiving a unit in August that still had paint chipping issues...

Re:Quick Question: Does anyone own an A4 without paint issues?? Posted by insoul8 - 2013/09/18 05:53

i haven't noticed anything on mine but it hasn't left my workspace either. is it chipping just after time or when it is being transported around?

Re:Quick Question: Does anyone own an A4 without paint issues?? Posted by Bach - 2013/09/18 06:51

I hear of people receiving them brand new with chips present. I also heard of people complaining about it easily rubbing off near the knobs. I think the chips are usually near the screws. I also hear it's easy to chip the paint when doing something as simple as letting the end of a cable hit the finish without much force. Sounds pretty shitty lol.

Re:Quick Question: Does anyone own an A4 without paint issues?? Posted by poonti - 2013/09/18 08:31

I just received one from JRR Shop last week, and it had two new-moon slivers of paint missing around the outside of the two right-most screws. I don't know how "new" this A4 was, but it had OS1.05 on it.

I'm not going to do anything about these, unless there are major chips everywhere after using it in my studio for a few months - I have a lot of cables running around everywhere, so we'll see.

The thing that I notice is that the A4 has the smooth black paint everywhere, so theoretically it can chip anywhere (not just the face plate). The OT has the rougher feeling black paint - it just feels like a better quality paint overall.

... but I bought these beasts for their sounds and groove-making abilities, not their paint-jobs..so I really don't care if the A4 loses a few chips here or there.

Re:Quick Question: Does anyone own an A4 without paint issues?? Posted by Bach - 2013/09/18 08:59

I like to think I'll keep a synth forever when I buy one, but I know how I like to buy and sell these things. That being said, condition has a huge affect on value. I'd make a strong wager that ten years from now, the ones with the good paint will fetch a considerably higher price on the market.

Re:Quick Question: Does anyone own an A4 without paint issues?? Posted by poonti - 2013/09/18 09:04

^ good point! I was just speaking of my own use of the A4, not resale value

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Posted by AikiGhost - 2013/09/18 19:28

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Re:Quick Question: Does anyone own an A4 without paint issues?? Posted by Bach - 2013/09/20 03:05

I went ahead and ordered one. The place I ordered from said their stock is four months old; I pray to the synth gods I get one with the good paint.