



American Hearing Company

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Choosing better hearing with Starkey

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Research shows nearly 90 percent of people with tinnitus have some level of noise-induced hearing loss. It's also been proven that hearing health is directly connected to overall health and well-being, which is why Starkey offers products to help people stay connected and involved. This pursuit — helping people hear better so they can live better — has been our passion for the tast 50 years. As a world leader in manufacturing and advanced hearing solutions, Starkey works hard to create the best possible hearing experience through the innovation of our products and the drive and compassion of our people.

We're dedicated to helping change the lives of our very own American heroes: U.S. service members and veterans. As the only Americanowned and operated manufacturer, we're truly honored to serve those who have served this country.

What you should know about *tinnitus*

Do you or someone you know suffer from constant "ringing in the ears"?

Maybe it's not ringing exactly. Some people describe it as hissing, buzzing, whistling, roaring and even chirping. Whatever noise it is, the real issue is something called tinnitus.

Tinnitus ("TIN-a-tus" or "Tin-EYEtus") is the medical term for the sensation of hearing sound when no external sound is present.

The important thing to know is that tinnitus is not a condition or a disease. Instead, it's typically caused by something bigger, like noise exposure, head injury, an ear infection, high blood pressure or, the most common, hearing loss.



It's also important to know that everyone's tinnitus is different, which is why finding relief has been so elusive – **until now**.

Quick tinnitus facts

- Tinnitus is the leading service-related disability among U.S. veterans²
- Tinnitus can occur at any age, and may begin suddenly or progress gradually.
- The most common causes of tinnitus are:
 - Noise exposure (e.g. from artillery and explosions)³
 - Aging
 - Head injury
 - Side effects from medication

Starkey tinnitus technology products

Forever changing the way people deal with tinnitus

Starkey has engineered tinnitus technology to forever change the way people deal with ringing in the ears.

Our small, comfortable in-ear devices are designed to deliver all-day relief from tinnitus.



How it works

Using Starkey's patent-pending Multiflex Tinnitus Technology, Starkey tinnitus products create a customizable and comforting sound stimulus that you and your clinician can fine-tune to help soothe the unique, irritating sounds you hear and take your focus off of it.

Starkey – America's premier hearing solution provider When it comes to comfortable, great sounding and personalized solutions for their hearing needs, people everywhere ask for Starkey – where we believe to hear better is to live better.

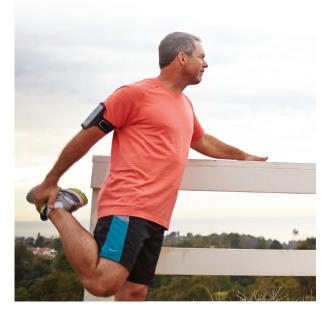


Customizable to your unique tinnitus

Starkey tinnitus technology products deliver personalized relief for each individual.

Tinnitus affects every person differently. This includes how it sounds, how annoying it is, or how debilitating it can be.

Starkey tinnitus products tackle the subjective nature of tinnitus head on. No other technology enables such unprecedented personalization to counterbalance your unique tinnitus.



Control is key

Starkey tinnitus technology products use the precise measurements from your audiogram to create a relief stimulus customized specifically for you in two unique but important ways:

Your clinician can adjust sound frequency and modulationto better match your unique tinnitus.

Starkey's proprietary SoundPoint tool lets you easily pinpoint your
preferred sound settings, so your clinician can program them at the final fitting stage.

> The result is personalized relief designed just for you!



Delivering the one thing every person with tinnitus wants: *relief*

You want

Relief for ringing in the ears

Tinnitus options designed for all-day relief

Starkey delivers

Customizable tinnitus relief

Quick and easy control

Compatibility with multiple tinnitus protocols

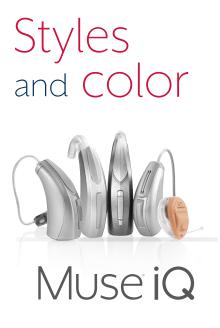
A way to manage your tinnitus

Advanced Multiflex Tinnitus Technology, that brings relief to those who have ringing in the ears

Easy volume and memory adjustments with the touch of a finger

Personalization available to accommodate other protocols

Starkey's one-of-a-kind SoundPoint tool helps you identify and communicate precise sound preferences at the fitting stage



Introducing Muse[™] iQ— our latest wireless hearing solution with Starkey's all-new Synergy platform. Muse iQ hearing aids are available in several styles and a variety of discreet and stylish colors.

Color guide





When it comes to wanting the world's smallest, most comfortable hearing aids, you can count on SoundLens[®] Synergy[®] iQ – now available in both non-wireless and wireless options. Choose from a variety of colors.

Faceplate color guide



Styles and Colors (continued)



With Halo[®] iQ, Starkey's most advanced smartphone connected hearing aids, we can help you stay connected to the people and things you love most. Available in RIC 312 (Receiver-In-Canal) and RIC 13 styles in a variety of colors.

Color guide



Black





Slate

Espresso

Bronze Champagne

Sterling



Bright White with Sterling



Black with Sterling Hearing technology plays a critical role in the overall satisfaction with your tinnitus product. That's why we strive to provide a comfortable listening experience in many types of environments.

At Starkey, we believe that to hear better is to live better.





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Individual results may vary.