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# 1 Important

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## Safety

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### Important Safety Instructions

- ① Read these instructions.
- ② Keep these instructions.
- ③ Heed all warnings.
- ④ Follow all instructions.
- ⑤ Do not use this apparatus near water.
- ⑥ Clean only with dry cloth.
- ⑦ Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- ⑧ Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- ⑨ Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched, particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
- ⑩ Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
- ⑪ Use only with the cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table specified by the manufacturer or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart/apparatus combination to avoid injury from tip-over.



- ⑫ Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.

- ⑬ 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.
- ⑭ Battery usage CAUTION – To prevent battery leakage which may result in bodily injury, property damage, or damage to the unit, the batteries (battery pack or batteries installed) shall not be exposed to excessive heat such as sunshine, fire or the like.
- ⑮ Apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing.
- ⑯ Do not place any sources of danger on the apparatus (e.g. liquid filled objects, lighted candles).
- ⑰ Where the MAINS plug or an appliance coupler is used as the disconnect device, the disconnect device shall remain readily operable.

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## Hearing safety

### Listen at a moderate volume.

- Using headphones at a high volume can impair your hearing. This product can produce sounds in decibel ranges that may cause hearing loss for a normal person, even for exposure less than a minute. The higher decibel ranges are offered for those that may have already experienced some hearing loss.
- Sound can be deceiving. Over time your hearing 'comfort level' adapts to higher volumes of sound. So after prolonged listening, what sounds 'normal' can actually be loud and harmful to your hearing. To guard against this, set your volume to a safe level before your hearing adapts and leave it there.

### To establish a safe volume level:

- Set your volume control at a low setting.
- Slowly increase the sound until you can hear it comfortably and clearly, without distortion.

**Listen for reasonable periods of time:**

- Prolonged exposure to sound, even at normally 'safe' levels, can also cause hearing loss.
- Be sure to use your equipment reasonably and take appropriate breaks.

**Be sure to observe the following guidelines when using your headphones.**

- Listen at reasonable volumes for reasonable periods of time.
- Be careful not to adjust the volume as your hearing adapts.
- Do not turn up the volume so high that you can't hear what's around you.
- You should use caution or temporarily discontinue use in potentially hazardous situations. Do not use headphones while operating a motorized vehicle, cycling, skateboarding, etc.; it may create a traffic hazard and is illegal in many areas.



**Warning**

- Never remove the casing of this apparatus.
- Never lubricate any part of this apparatus.
- Never place this apparatus on other electrical equipment.
- Keep this apparatus away from direct sunlight, naked flames or heat.
- Ensure that you always have easy access to the power cord, plug or adaptor to disconnect the apparatus from the power.

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## Notice

Any changes or modifications made to this device that are not expressly approved by Philips Consumer Lifestyle may void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Made for



iPod



iPhone



iPad

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## Recycling



Your product is designed and manufactured with high quality materials and components, which can be recycled and reused.

When you see the crossed-out wheel bin symbol attached to a product, it means the product is covered by the European Directive 2002/96/EC:



Never dispose of your product with other household waste. Please inform yourself about the local rules on the separate collection of electrical and electronic products. The correct disposal of your old product helps prevent potentially negative consequences on the environment and human health. Your product contains batteries covered by the European Directive 2006/66/EC, which cannot be disposed of with normal household waste.



Please inform yourself about the local rules on separate collection of batteries. The correct disposal of batteries helps prevent potentially negative consequences on the environment and human health. Always bring your product to a professional to remove the built-in battery.

### Environmental information

All unnecessary packaging has been omitted. We have tried to make the packaging easy to separate into three materials: cardboard (box), polystyrene foam (buffer) and polyethylene (bags, protective foam sheet.) Your system consists of materials which can be recycled and reused if disassembled by a specialized company. Please observe the local regulations regarding the disposal of packaging materials, exhausted batteries and old equipment.



#### Note

- The type plate is located on the bottom of the apparatus.

## 2 Your Docking Speaker

Congratulations on your purchase, and welcome to Philips! To fully benefit from the support that Philips offers, register your product at [www.philips.com/welcome](http://www.philips.com/welcome).

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### Introduction

With this unit, you can enjoy audio from the iPod/iPhone/iPad and other audio devices.

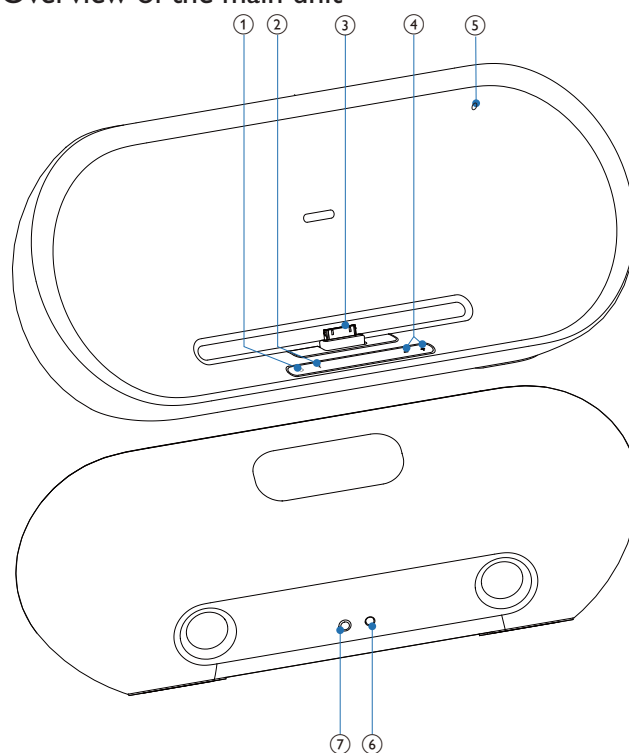
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### What's in the box



Check and identify the contents of your package:

- Main unit
- Remote control
- 1 x AC adaptor
- 1 x AC power cord
- 1 x Aux-in cable
- User manual
- Quick Start Guide

## Overview of the main unit



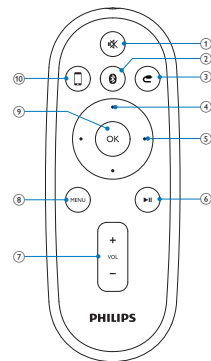
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- ① 
  - Turn on/off the unit.
- ② 
  - Select Bluetooth mode
  - Pair with Bluetooth device.



- ③ iPod/iPhone/iPad dock
- ④ + / -
  - Adjust volume.
- ⑤ Built-in battery LED indicator
- ⑥ Power supply socket
- ⑦ AUX IN
  - Jack for an external audio device.

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## Overview of the remote control



- 1
  - Mute volume.
- 2
  - Select Bluetooth mode
  - Pair with Bluetooth device.
- 3
  - Select Aux-in mode
- 4 **Up/down keys**
  - Navigate through the iPod/iPhone/iPad menu.
- 5 **Fast forward/backward keys**
  - Fast reverse or fast forward within a track or iPhone/iPod/iPad.
  - Skip to the previous/next track.

- 6 
  - Start or pause play.
- 7 VOL +/-
  - Adjust volume.
- 8 MENU
  - Access the iPod/iPhone/iPad menu.
- 9 OK
  - Confirm a selection.
- 10 
  - Select iPod/iPhone/iPad dock mode

### 3 Get started



#### Caution

- Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure or other unsafe operation.

Always follow the instructions in this chapter in sequence.

If you contact Philips, you will be asked for the model and serial number of this apparatus. The model number and serial number are on the bottom of the apparatus. Write the numbers here:

Model No. \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

### Prepare the remote control



#### Caution

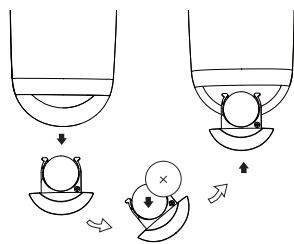
- Risk of explosion! Keep batteries away from heat, sunshine or fire. Never discard batteries in fire.

**For first-time use:**

- 1 Remove the protective tab to activate the remote control battery.

**To replace the remote control battery:**

- 1 Open the battery compartment.
- 2 Insert one CR2025 battery with correct polarity (+/-) as indicated.
- 3 Close the battery compartment.



#### Note

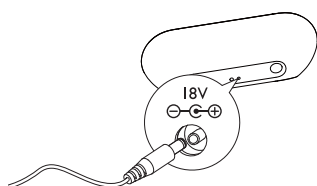
- Before pressing any function button on the remote control, first select the correct source with the remote control instead of the main unit.
- If you are not going to use the remote control for a long time, remove the battery.

## Connect power

#### Caution

- Risk of product damage! Ensure that the power supply voltage corresponds to the voltage printed on the bottom of the unit.
- Risk of electric shock! When you unplug the AC adaptor, always pull the plug from the socket. Never pull the cord.
- Before connecting the AC adaptor, ensure you have completed all other connections.

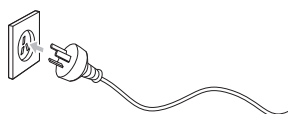
- 1 Insert the plug from the AC adaptor to the **DC IN** socket on the back of the main unit.



- 2 Connect one end of the AC power cord to the AC adaptor.



- 3 Connect the other end of the AC power cord to the wall outlet.



### Built-in Battery

#### Note

- Always bring your product to a professional to remove the built-in battery.

#### Caution

- Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced. Replace only with the same or equivalent type.

The unit can also operate on built-in rechargeable battery.

Battery power	LED indicator
Low	Red
Medium	Yellow
Full	Green




#### Note

- Use only the supplied AC adapter to charge the battery.

#### To recharge the built-in battery:

Connect the unit to the mains power supply.

### Turn on

- 1 Press  on the main unit.  
↳ When user approaches the unit, light LED under volume button on the main unit turns on automatically.




### Switch to ECO standby

The unit switches to standby mode automatically, when:

- In DOCK mode: the iPod/iPhone is disconnected from the unit.
- In Aux-in mode: the device no longer playing music for more than 15 minutes.
- In Bluetooth mode: the Bluetooth device no longer playing music for more than 15 minutes.



#### Tip

- Under standby mode, press ,  or  on the remote control, the unit will switch on to the corresponding selected source.



## 4 Play

### Play from iPod/iPhone/iPad

You can enjoy audio from iPod/iPhone/iPad through this unit.

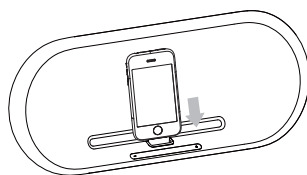
#### Compatible iPod/iPhone/iPad

Apple iPod, iPhone and iPad models with a 30-pin dock connector. Made for :

- iPod (5th generation)
- iPod nano (1st generation)
- iPod nano (2nd generation)
- iPod nano (3rd generation)
- iPod nano (4th generation)
- iPod nano (5th generation)
- iPod classic
- iPod touch (1st generation)
- iPod touch (2nd generation)
- iPod touch (3rd generation)
- iPhone
- iPhone4
- iPhone 3G
- iPhone 3GS
- iPad.

#### Load the iPod/iPhone/iPad

- 1 Place the iPod/iPhone/iPad in the dock.






#### Remove the iPod/iPhone/iPad

- 1 Pull the iPod/iPhone/iPad out of the dock.

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#### Listen to the iPod/iPhone/iPad

- 1 Ensure that the iPod/iPhone/iPad is loaded correctly.
- 2 Press  to select dock mode.
- 3 Press .
  - ↳ The connected iPod/iPhone/iPad starts play.
  - To pause/resume play, press .
  - To skip to a track, press fast forward/backward keys.
  - To search during play, press and hold fast forward/backward keys, then release to resume normal play.
  - To navigate the menu, press **MENU**, then press up/down key to select, and press **OK** to confirm.

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#### Charge the iPod/iPhone/iPad

When the unit is connected to AC power, the docked iPod/iPhone/iPad begins to charge.






##### Tip



- You can also charge your iPod/iPhone via the built-in battery. Before charging your iPod/iPhone via the built-in battery, ensure the Fidelio battery-charging function is turn on.
- You cannot charge your iPad via the built-in battery. To charge your iPad, connect the unit to AC power.

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#### Play from Bluetooth device

##### Pair with Bluetooth devices

- 1 Press  to select Bluetooth source.
- 2 Press and hold  for 3 seconds to start pairing.
  - ↳ LED under  button on the main unit flashes rapidly.
- 3 Turn on Bluetooth function on your device.
- 4 Search for Bluetooth devices that can pair with your device.
- 5 When "PHILIPS DC8550" displays, select it to start connection.


- 6 When prompted for a password, enter "0000".
  - ↳ Double beep tone confirmation is heard and the  LED turns on stably if connection is successful.
  - ↳ If the pairing cannot be completed within one minute,  LED turns off.



#### Tip

- If your Bluetooth device is already paired with DS8550 before, you just need to find out the "PHILIPS DS8550" on your Bluetooth menu, then confirm the connection.



#### To disconnect Bluetooth

- 1 Turn off the connected device or move it beyond the communication range.
  - ↳  LED turns off.

#### Play audio files from bluetooth devices




#### Note

- Make sure the Bluetooth connection between the unit and the device is active.
- To start play, press  on the remote control.
- To pause/resume play, press  again.
- To track up/down, press forward/backward keys.

#### Play from an external device

You can also listen to an external audio device through this unit.

- 1 Press  to select Aux-in mode.
- 2 Connect the supplied Aux-in link cable to:
  - the **AUX IN** jack (3.5mm) on the back of the unit.
  - the headphone jack on an external device.
- 3 Start to play the device (see the device user manual).

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## Adjust volume level

- 1 During play, press **VOL +/-** to increase/decrease the volume level.

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## Mute sound

- 1 During play, press **MUTE** to mute/unmute sound.

## 5 Product information

### Note

- Product information is subject to change without prior notice.

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## Specifications

### Amplifier

Rated Output Power	2X15 W RMS
Signal to Noise Ratio	85 dB
Aux-in Link	0.6 V RMS 10 kohm

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### General information

AC power (power adaptor)	OH-1065A1803500U2 (Philips) Input: 100-240V, 50/60Hz, 1.5A; Output: 18V === 3.5A;
Operation Power Consumption	<40W
ECO Standby Power Consumption	<1W
Dimensions	
- Main Unit (W x H x D)	169 x 420 x 108mm
Weight	
- Main Unit	2.22 kg

## Bluetooth

Output power	0 dBm (Class 2)
Frequency band	2.4000 GHz - 2.4835 GHz ISM Band
Range	3 meters(free space)
Standard	Bluetooth 2.0 specification

English

## 6 Troubleshooting



### Warning

- Never remove the casing of this apparatus.

To keep the warranty valid, never try to repair the system yourself.

If you encounter problems when using this apparatus, check the following points before requesting service. If the problem remains unsolved, go to the Philips web site ([www.philips.com/welcome](http://www.philips.com/welcome)). When you contact Philips, ensure that the apparatus is nearby and the model number and serial number are available.

### No power

- Ensure that the AC power plug of the unit is connected properly.
- Ensure that there is power at the AC outlet.

### No sound

- Adjust the volume.

### No response from the unit

- Disconnect and reconnect the AC power plug, then turn on the unit again.

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## About Bluetooth device

**Music playback is unavailable on the system even after successful Bluetooth connection.**

- The device cannot be used with the system to play music.

**The audio quality is poor after connection with a Bluetooth-enabled device.**

- The Bluetooth reception is poor. Move the device closer to the system or remove any obstacle between the device and the system.

**Cannot connect with the system.**

- The device does not support the profiles required for the system.
- The Bluetooth function of the device is not enabled. Refer to the user manual of the device for how to enable the function.
- The system is not in the pairing mode.
- The system is already connected with another Bluetooth-enabled device. Disconnect that device or all other connected devices and then try again.

**The paired device connects and disconnects constantly.**

- The Bluetooth reception is poor. Move the device closer to the system or remove any obstacle between the device and the system.
- For some devices, the Bluetooth connection may be deactivated automatically as a power-saving feature. This does not indicate any malfunction of the system.

## New Zealand - Guarantee and Service for New Zealand

English

Thank-you for purchasing this quality Philips product.

Philips New Zealand Ltd guarantees this product against defective components and faulty workmanship for a period of 12 months. Any defect in materials or workmanship occurring within 12 months from the date of purchase subject to the following conditions will be rectified free of charge by the retailer from whom this product was purchased.

### Conditions

1. The product must have been purchased in New Zealand. As proof of purchase, retain the original sales docket indicating the date of purchase.
2. The guarantee applies only to faults caused by defective components, or faulty workmanship on the part of the manufacturer.
3. The guarantee does not cover failures caused by misuse, neglect, normal wear and tear, accidental breakage, use on the incorrect voltage, use contrary to operating instructions, or unauthorised modification to the product or repair by an unauthorised technician.
4. Reasonable evidence (in the form of a sales docket) must be supplied to indicate that the product was purchased no more than 12 months prior to the date of your claim.
5. In the event of a failure, Philips shall be under no liability for any injury, or any loss or damage caused to property or products other than the product under guarantee.

This guarantee does not prejudice your rights under common law and statute, and is in addition to the normal responsibilities of the retailer and Philips.

### How to claim

Should your Philips product fail within the guarantee period, please return it to the retailer from whom it was purchased. In most cases the retailer will be able to satisfactorily repair or replace the product.

However, should the retailer not be able to conclude the matter satisfactorily, or if you have other difficulties claiming under this guarantee, please contact

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Effective 1st July 2010

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The conditions contained in this warranty replace and override the provision of the Philips World-Wide Guarantee for products purchased in Australia and used in Australia.

Please record the following information for your records and keep in a safe place.  
It is essential that you retain your original purchase receipt to make a warranty claim.

Model number	:	.....
Serial number	:	.....
Date of purchase	:	.....
Retailer	:	.....
Purchase Price	:	.....

If you require assistance with the operation of the product, its features or specifications, please call the **Philips Consumer Care Centre** on **1300 363 391** where support is provided by our trained staff.

If your product develops a fault during the 12 month warranty period and has a purchase price of less than \$250, please return the faulty product back to the place of purchase.

If your product develops a fault during the 12 month warranty period and has a purchase price of more than \$250, or if you would like to discuss a repair options for an out of warranty repair, please call **1300 361 392** for your nearest Philips Authorised Service Centre.

**Conditions of Warranty**

- For products with a purchase price of less than \$250, claims for warranty can only be made at the place of purchase. A copy of the purchase receipt will be required.
- For products with a purchase price of more than \$250, claims for warranty can only be made at a Philips Authorised Service Centre. A copy of the purchase receipt will be required.
- The warranty period is valid from the original date of purchase of the product.
- This warranty extends only to defects in material or workmanship occurring under normal use of the product when operated in accordance with the instructions.
- Philips may, at its discretion choose to repair or replace this product.
- If a replacement product is supplied, it is warranted for the remainder of the warranty period, from the original date of purchase.
- This Manufacturers Warranty is limited to 3 months for products used in commercial applications.
- Product accessories are covered by the same warranty period. If an accessory is faulty, please contact the Philips Consumer Care Centre on **1300 363 391**.
- This Manufacturers Warranty is neither transferable nor valid in countries other than Australia.

**This Warranty does not cover:-**

- Service costs arising from failure to correctly adjust the controls of the product or to observe the instructions, or inspections that reveal that the product is in normal working order.
- Product failures caused by misuse, neglect, accidental breakage, transit damage, repairs or modification by unauthorised persons, external fires, lightning strikes, floods, vermin infestation or liquid spillage.
- TV or radio signal reception problems, replacement of worn or used batteries or other consumables.
- Second hand or refurbished products.
- Products sold on the internet or online.
- Product failure, caused by other products.

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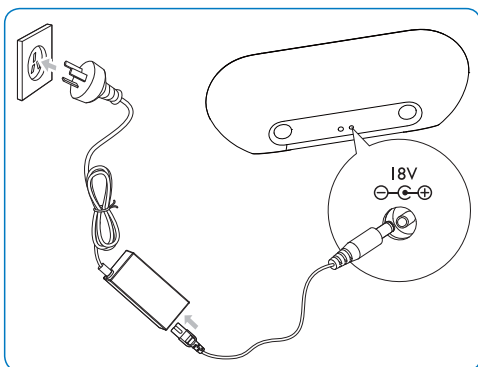
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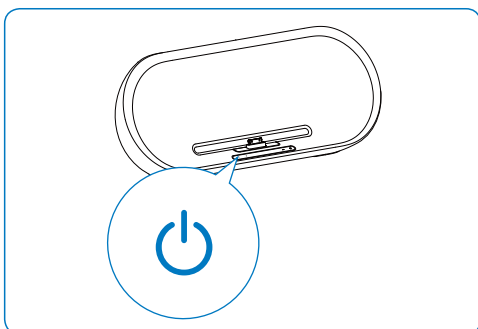
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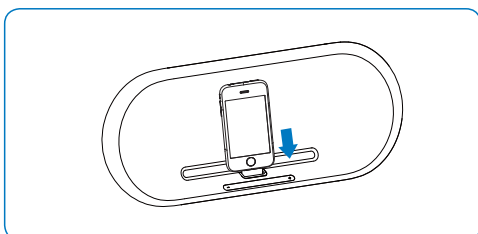
- 1 Insert the plug from the AC adaptor to the **DC IN** socket on the back of the main unit.
- 2 Connect one end of the AC power cord to the AC adaptor.
- 3 Connect the other end of the AC power cord to the wall outlet.


## B Turn on



- 1 Press  on the main unit.

## C Play from iPod/iPhone/iPad



- 1 Place the iPod/iPhone/iPad in the dock.
- 2 Press  on iPod/iPhone/iPad.

## **D** Play from Bluetooth device

- 1 Press **⏻** to turn on Bluetooth.
- 2 Turn on Bluetooth function on iPod/iPhone/iPad.
- 3 When "PHILIPS DS8550" displays, select it to start connection.
- 4 When prompted for a password, enter "0000".
- 5 Press **▶||** on iPod/iPhone/iPad.
  - To turn off Bluetooth, press **⏻** again.

## **E** Play from an external device

- 1 Connect the supplied Aux-in link cable to:
  - the AUX IN jack (3.5mm) on the back of the unit.
  - the headphone jack on an external device.
- 2 Start to play the device (see the device user manual).

