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## Make a mixtape the 'reel' way

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From typewriters to record players, hipsters around the world have single-handily resurrected the analogue world. The newest vintage machine making a comeback is the reel-to-reel tape recorder — what better way to make a mixtape of all your favourite songs on vinyl?

### Keep it reel



In the mid-1960s, the reel-to-reel tape recorder was at the height of popularity in the music industry. But as with most forms of analogue technology, the digital world was eventually introduced and soon took over, leaving the out-dated equipment to collect dust in storage. With the rise in sales of vintage turntables and vinyl records, Düsseldorf-based watchmaker Ballfinger saw an opportunity to bring back the reel-to-reel analogue tape recorder — and so they've developed the M 063. Built in four different iterations, the H5, H3, H1, and HX, the M 063 features varying degrees of amplifier technology, recording functions, and playback equalization for all your mixtape-making needs. Set to be made available to the public in May 2018, it's believed that the cost of the most basic iteration will be around 27,000 euros.

*Photos: Ballfinger*

### Gallery

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