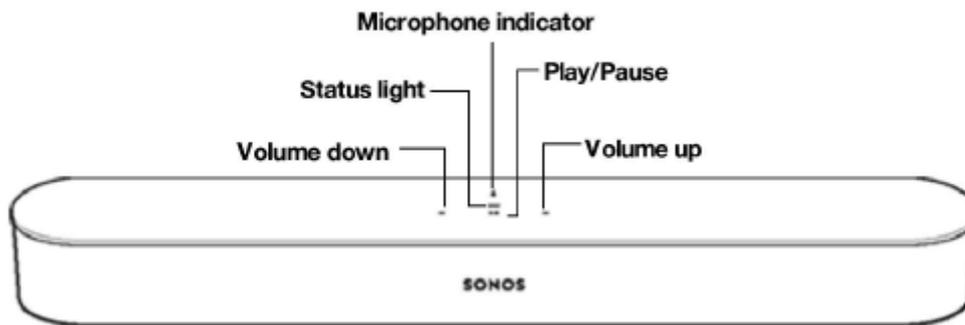# Beam

The smart, compact soundbar for your TV—

- Play anything—music, TV, movies, podcasts, radio, audiobooks, and video games.
- Perfect size to wall-mount above or below your TV, or place on a credenza.
- Great for small to medium-sized rooms.
- **Microphone on/off** so you can use it hands-free.
- Quick and easy setup, with only one cable to connect to your TV.
- Expandable. Add a Sub and two Sonos speakers, like Play:1s, for 5.1 surround sound. For more information, see **Sonos home theater**.
- Works with either ⬜ or ⬛.
- See **Getting started** when you're ready to add a Beam to your Sonos system.

Controls and lights

Swipe, touch, tap, or ask—with Beam you've got choices on how to control sound.

- Use the touch controls—touch or swipe across the controls.
- Voice control—set it up and use your voice to turn the TV on or off, adjust the volume, or play music.
- Use the app.
- Use your TV remote control.

	Volume control	Touch for small adjustments or touch and hold to quickly change the volume: • **Volume up** (right) • **Volume down** (left) **Note:** You can also use the app, Alexa, or remote control.
	Play/Pause	Touch to play or pause sound.
	Next/Previous (Music only)	• Swipe right across the touch controls to skip to the next song. • Swipe left to go to the previous song. **Note:** You can't skip forward or go back when listening to a radio station.
	Microphone indicator	• Tap the microphone light to turn the microphone on or off. • When the light is on, voice control is on and you can use voice commands. • When the light is off, voice control is off.

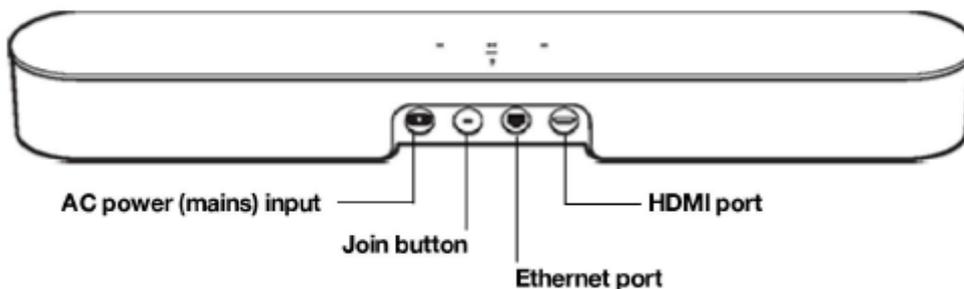|	
	Note: If the light is off, press and hold the **Microphone indicator** to talk to Alexa. Release the button to turn voice control off again.
Status light	Indicates the status. **Learn more** If the light is distracting, you can turn it off in your room's settings.

Note: If you don't want anyone (like a child) to control playback or change the volume using the speaker touch controls, you can disable them in the room's settings.

Connector panel

AC power (mains) input	Use only the supplied power cord (using a third-party power cord will void your warranty). **Note:** Insert the power cord firmly until it is flush with the speaker.
Join button	Press to connect during setup.
Ethernet port	Use an Ethernet cable if you want to connect to a router, computer, or network-attached storage (NAS) device (optional).
HDMI port	Use to connect the soundbar to your TV.

Select a location

You can mount Beam to a wall above or below your TV or place it on a credenza.

Place on a credenza

- Place horizontally on a stable and level surface at least 2" (50mm) from the TV.
- Don't place vertically or on its side.
- Don't block the TV's IR sensor.
- If put on a shelf, place at the front and keep 2" (minimum) clearance on both sides for best sound quality.
- Keep 1" (25mm) space (minimum) above Beam so you can reach the touch controls.
- For best sound quality, keep both ends of Beam at least 1' (30cm) from a wall or other obstruction.

Wall mount

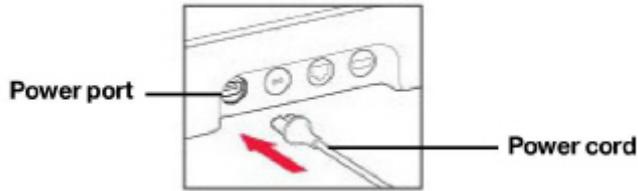To put Beam on a wall, see **Wall mount**.

Connect the cables

Before you start

1. Disconnect existing home theater or surround sound equipment from your TV.

2. Connect any external devices, like a cable box or DVD player, directly to your TV.

Connect the power cord

1. Insert the power cord firmly into Beam's AC (mains) power port until it is fully connected.
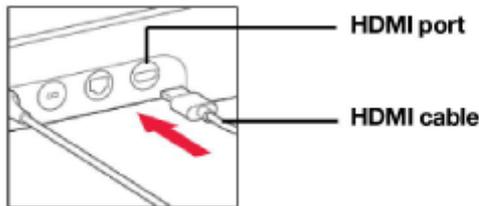

2. Plug the other end of the power cord into an AC (mains) power source.

Caution: Use only the supplied power cord (using a third-party power cord will void your warranty).

Connect Beam to your TV

Use the HDMI cable to connect the soundbar to your TV. You may need the optical adapter too (the app lets you know).

1. Fully insert the HDMI cable into Beam's HDMI port.

2. Connect the HDMI cable to your TV. You have two choices:

- **If your TV has an HDMI ARC port**, connect the HDMI cable directly to the TV's HDMI ARC port.

- **If your TV doesn't have an HDMI ARC port**, attach the optical adapter to the HDMI cable and connect it to the TV's optical digital OUT port.
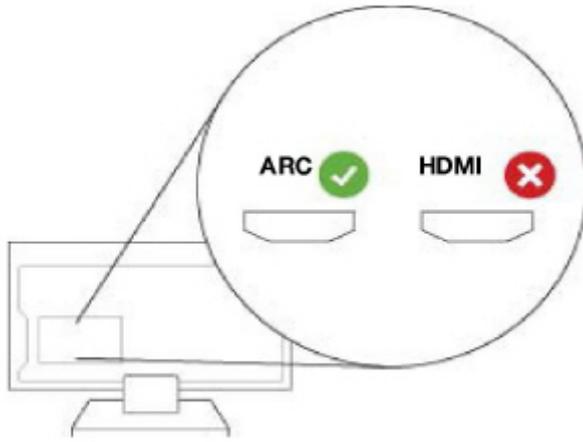
If your TV has an HDMI ARC port

HDMI ARC is a special port that looks like a standard HDMI port. Although they look the same, if you connect to a standard HDMI port, *you won't hear sound*.
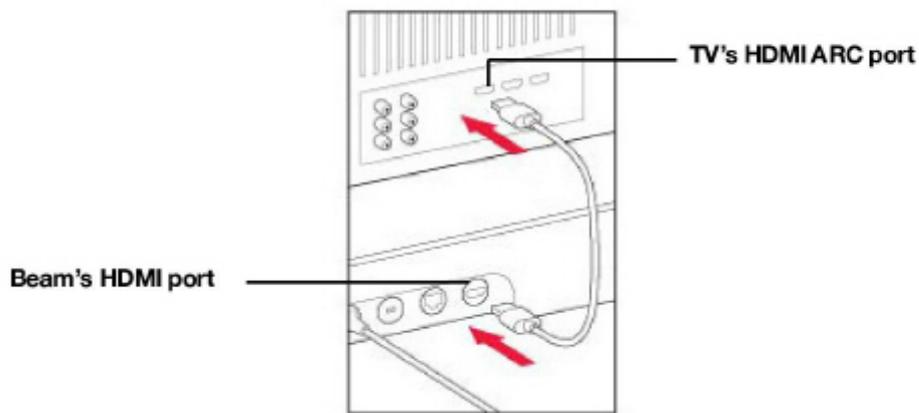
1. On your TV's **audio OUT** panel, look for an **HDMI ARC** port.

    It may be on the back or side of your TV.

    You'll know it's an ARC port if you see the word "ARC" on the label.
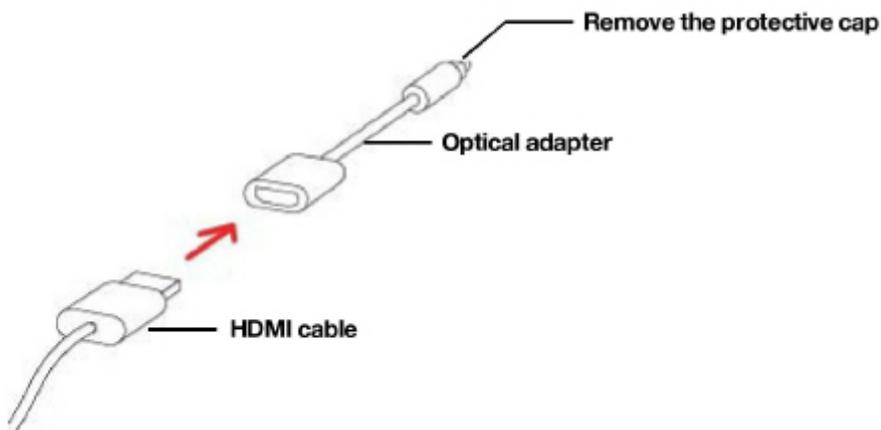
2. Connect the HDMI cable to the TV's **HDMI ARC** port.

Note: If you can't find the word "ARC" on the label, it isn't the correct port. See **If your TV doesn't have an HDMI ARC port**.
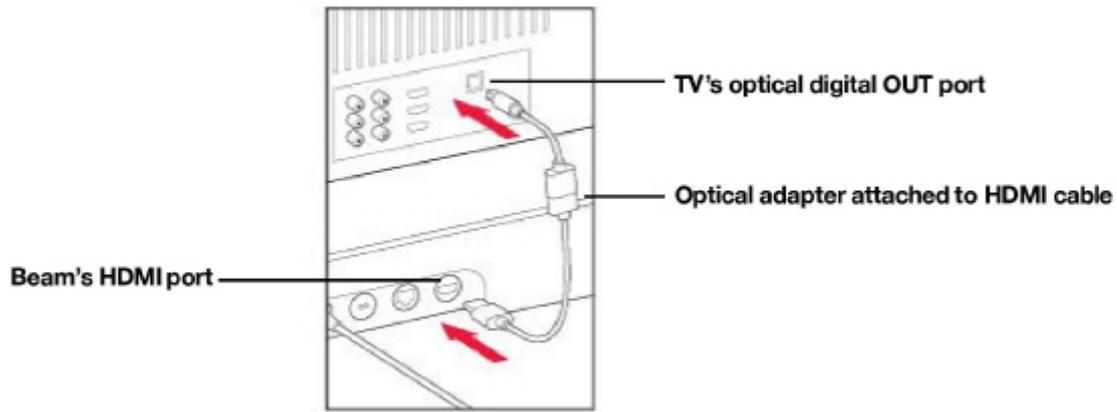
If your TV doesn't have an HDMI ARC port

You'll need the **optical audio adapter**.

1. Remove the protective cap from the optical adapter.
2. Attach the optical adapter to the HDMI cable.

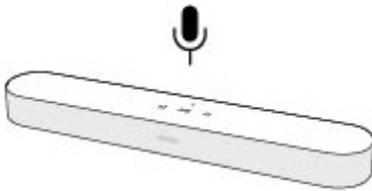3. Connect the optical adapter to the TV's **optical digital OUT** port.

> **Note:** The optical adapter's port is "D-shaped"—make sure the connector aligns correctly into the port. Inserting the adapter incorrectly may damage the cable.

If you don't have the app, download it from the app store. You'll use it to set up and control your Sonos system. See **Getting started**.

Microphone on/off

Touch 🎤 to turn the microphone on and off. (If you don't have a voice service installed, the microphone is inactive.)

When the microphone light is on, voice control is on and Alexa is ready to respond. When the microphone light is off, voice control is off.

If you've installed a voice service and the microphone is off, you can still use voice commands. Just press and hold 🎤 while talking to Alexa—no need to start with a wake word. When you release the mic button, voice control turns off again.