

Sanus soundbar hanging bracket assessment.
Sanus SA405 purchased from Crutchfield for \$39.99
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The Sanus Soundbar Wall Mount bracket that I purchased for the SB500 can be used to hang a soundbar from the back of a TV using the VESA sockets.

It comes with a special "hanger bolt" that is clearly designed for a straight sided keyhole mount, not like the tapered keyhole shape of the mounts on our soundbars. This bolt's shank is flat-sided, yet still too wide to reach the top of our keyhole's tapered opening. The head of the bolt is not very large compared to the shank. Once the head is inside the slot, you aren't left with much area of the bolthead captured by the sides of the keyhole.

If you are hanging our soundbar on a wall with this hangerbolt, it may be OK. But if you hang our soundbar "in free air" from a TV using the supplied hanger arms, you are instructed to tighten the bolt against the back of the speaker. The bolt simply pulls out of the bracket if you tighten it. This bolthead will not stay inside our keyhole properly if the speaker hanging in free air.

I recommend substituting a 1/4-20 bolt plus nuts and washers for this hanger bolt. This conventional hardware works quite well with the Sanus bracket arms, on both "against the wall" or "free-air" installations.

