



BDK STARTER KIT

SET UP GUIDE



CONTENTS CHECKLIST

Your kit will arrive in one box and should take around 30 minutes to fully assemble. Please check that all the items below are present before assembly and follow the instructions carefully.

DRUMS AND CYMBALS:

- 1x Snare Drum (13" x 5")
- 1x Tom Tom Drum (10" x 8")
- 1x Floor Tom Drum (14" x 14")
- 1x Bass Drum (20" x 14")
- 1x Hi Hat Cymbals (pair, 12" - top and bottom)
- 1x Crash/Ride Cymbal (14")

HOOPS AND TENSION RODS:

- 22x Tom Tension Rods and Washers
(2x rods already attached to each tom)
- 16x Bass Drum Tension Rods,
Claws and Washers
- 2x Bass Drum Hoops
- 2x Tom Tom Hoops
(10", attached to drum)
- 2x Floor Tom Hoops
(16", attached to drum)

Note - The hoops for the drums are packaged with the drums and will need removing to fit the drum heads.

DRUM HEADS:

- 1x Batter Head for 10" Tom Tom Drum
(with Gear4music logo)
- 1x Resonant Head for 10" Tom Tom Drum
(no logo)
- 1x Batter Head for 14" Floor Tom Drum
(with Gear4music logo)
- 1x Resonant Head for 14" Floor Tom Drum
(no logo)
- 1x Batter Head for 20" Bass Drum
(no logo)
- 1x Resonant Head for 20" Bass Drum
(with Gear4music logo)

Note - The snare drum already has drum heads attached and only requires tuning.

HARDWARE:

- 1x Bass Drum Pedal
- 1x Hi-Hat Stand (three parts)
- 1x Crash Cymbal Boom Arm
- 1x Snare Drum Stand (two parts)
- 3x Floor Tom Legs
- 1x Tom Tom Drum Arms
- 2x Bass Drum Legs
- 2x Bass Drum Hoops
- 1x Drum Stool (three parts)
- 1x Drum Key
- 1x Rubber Bass Drum Hoop Protector

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

BASS DRUM ASSEMBLY

ITEMS REQUIRED:

1x Bass Drum (20" x 14")

1x Batter Head for 20" Bass Drum (no logo)

1x Resonant Head for 20" Bass Drum
(with Gear4music logo)

12x Bass Drum Tension Rods, Claws and Washers

2x Bass Drum Legs

1x Drum Key

1x Rubber Bass Drum Hoop Protector

1. Lay the bass drum on the floor, with the front of the bass drum at the bottom (the bass drum leg mounts should be closest to the floor).
2. Place the batter head (without the Gear4music logo) onto the drum and place 1x bass drum hoop on top.
3. Using 6x bass drum tension rods, claws and washers, line the tension rods up with the 6x screw threads (these are called drum lugs) that are already mounted to the bass drum.
4. Using the drum key, screw the 6x tension rods into the drum lugs to an even tension. Ensure that all the creases have been taken out of the skin, but do not over-tighten.
5. Place the 2x bass drum legs into the holes on each side of the bass drum and tighten the wing nuts to hold them in place.
6. Turn the bass drum over and repeat steps 2 - 4 on the opposite side. When placing the skin on the front of the drum we advise lining the logo up with the tom brackets so it will be straight when viewed by an audience.
7. Turn the bass drum upright, so it is now resting on the bass drum legs.
8. Take the rubber bass drum hoop protector. Place it on the bottom of the bass drum hoop on the side that the kick drum pedal will hit (the side without the logo).
9. Take the 1x bass drum pedal. There is a clamp at the bottom of the pedal which can be adjusted using the wing nut. First, unscrew the wing nut, then slide the clamp between the bottom of the bass drum hoop and the top of the rubber bass drum hoop protector. Once it's in place, screw the wing nut so it's firmly secured.



10" TOM TOM DRUM ASSEMBLY

ITEMS REQUIRED:

1x Batter Head for 10" Tom Tom Drum
(with Gear4music logo)

2x Tom Tom Hoops (10", attached to drum)

10x Tom Tension Rods and Washers
(note - 2x already attached to the drum)

1x Resonant Head for 10" Tom Tom Drum (no logo) 1x Drum Key

1. Take 1x Tom Tom Drum (10"x 8") and place on the floor with the Gear4music logo on the side of the drum facing upright.
2. Using the drum key, undo the 2 tension rods from the drum lugs. This will release the metal drum hoop. Put the tension rods and drum hoop to one side temporarily.
3. Place 1x 10" Batter Head (with Gear4music logo) on top of the drum and place the metal hoop over the head, noting that the tension rod holes need to line up with the drum lugs located on the side of the drum.
4. Using the drum key, screw 5x tension rods into the drum lugs to an even tension, ensuring any creases have been removed from the skin. Do not over tighten.
5. Turn the drum over and repeat steps 2 - 4 using the corresponding resonant head (without the Gear4music logo).



14" FLOOR TOM DRUM ASSEMBLY

ITEMS REQUIRED:

- 1x Batter Head for 14" Floor Tom Drum
(with Gear4music logo)
 - 1x Resonant Head for 14" Floor Tom Drum
(no logo)
 - 2x Floor Tom Hoops (14", attached to drum)
 - 10x Tom Tension Rods and Washers
(note - 2x already attached to the drum)
 - 1x Drum Key
1. Take the 3x floor tom legs and insert them into the 3x holes on the side of the floor tom drum. Tighten the wing nuts to secure the legs in place. When you put the drum upright on to the legs, the Gear4music badge on the side of the drum should be straight.



SNARE DRUM ASSEMBLY

ITEMS REQUIRED:

- 1x Snare Drum (13" x 5")
 - 1x Snare Drum Stand (two parts)
1. The snare drum is already assembled but needs to be installed on its stand. Take the tripod base of the snare drum stand, then unscrew the wing nut slightly to release the three arms. Tighten the wing nut once the arms are splayed.
 2. Take the second part of the stand and place the pole into the top of the tripod base. Tighten the wing nut between both parts to secure in place. At the top of the snare drum stand are three arms with rubber stops. Evenly space these arms and simply set the snare drum on top, with the Gear4music logo pointing upwards.
 3. Push the arms inwards then secure them around the drum. Tighten the wing nut on the stand (now below the snare drum stand) to secure everything into place.



NOTE - There is a lever on the side of the snare drum. Before beginning to play this drum, make sure to push the lever to its tensioned position, as this activates the snare wire underneath. If you press this lever and get no snare sound, you adjust this using the knob next to the lever when the tension lever is released.

HI-HAT ASSEMBLY

ITEMS REQUIRED:

1x Hi-Hat Stand (three parts)

1x Hi-Hat Cymbals (Pair, 12" - top and bottom)

1x Drum Key

1. Take the tripod base of the hi-hat stand and spread the legs out by unscrewing the wingnut. The pedal attachment is connected to two rods. Place the two rods into the base of the tripod stand to secure it into place.
2. The second part of the hi-hat stand comprises of three parts: a black metal pole, a silver thin rod and the hi-hat clutch located at the top. First, using the drum key, undo the bolt fixing the hi-hat clutch and place to one side. This will allow the silver rod to be completely removed as well.
3. Taking the silver metal rod, screw the threaded end into the top of the tripod base and then place the black metal pole over the rod. Secure into the base, adjusting to the height you want the cymbals to be at.
4. Take one of the hi-hat cymbals and place it upside down on top of the hi-hat stand.
5. Take the hi-hat clutch and unscrew the nut at the bottom. Separate into two parts so that there is one black felt on each end. Thread the screw part through the top of the cymbal and then reattach the felt and nut to the underside of the cymbal.
6. Insert the cymbal and clutch onto the silver metal rod and let both cymbals rest on top of each other without tightening the clutch wing nut to the silver metal rod.
7. Slightly pressing the hi-hat pedal, tighten the wing nut. When you release the pedal, the top cymbal should raise away from the bottom cymbal, so that they do not touch each other.
8. Final adjustments to the angle of the bottom cymbal can be made using the turn bolt underneath the bottom hi-hat cymbal, should it be required.



CRASH CYMBAL BOOM ARM ASSEMBLY

ITEMS REQUIRED:

1x Crash Cymbal (14")

1x Crash Cymbal Boom Arm

1. The cymbal stand is already assembled and only requires height and leg adjustments. These can be made by undoing the wing nuts, splaying the legs, and then undoing both telescopic poles to set to the desired height.
2. At the top of the cymbal stand, there is an adjustable bar. Loosen this to adjust the angle the cymbal will sit, tighten this bar when you are happy with the position.
3. Remove the wingnut that holds the washer and two felt pads. Remove these items leaving behind a single felt pad on the stand. Place the cymbal on this felt pad, then place the remaining felt pad directly on top of it, followed by the washer and wingnut. Do not overtighten, this will reduce the resonance of the cymbal.



FITTING TOM TOM DRUM & CRASH CYMBAL BOOM ARM TO THE BASS DRUM

ITEMS REQUIRED:

1x Tom Tom Drum (10" x 8")

1x Bass Drum (20" x 14")

1x Crash Cymbal Boom Arm

2x Tom Tom Drum Arms

1. Take the tom drum arm and crash boom arm and place them into the holes on top of the bass drum. Tighten the wing nuts on the bass drum to secure them in place.
2. Loosen the wingnut on the tom arm, and place the tom on to the tom arm.
3. Adjust the angle of the tom arm to your desired position then tighten the wing nuts to secure the drum and tom arm.
4. Repeat the above steps for the crash cymbal boom arm.



Note - Memory locks have been put in place on the tom arms, which makes setup easier. These can be adjusted if required using the drum key.

DRUM STOOL ASSEMBLY

ITEMS REQUIRED:

1x Drum Stool (three parts)

1. Take the base of the stand, undo the wing nuts and splay the legs. Set this on the ground upright.
2. Take the height adjustment pole (which has 5 holes). Use the bolt, washer and wing nut to secure it into the base. To do this, enter the pole into the base and place the bolt through the desired hole, then use the washer and wing nut to secure. It may take a few attempts to get the desired height for the user.
3. Place the saddle on top of the height-adjustment pole and tighten using the wing nut under the seat. Make sure this is fastened securely.



NOTE - Your drum kit is now set up and will simply need tuning before playing.

Drum and cymbal positioning is a personal preference and the layout of a drum kit can vary. However, please feel free to refer to the images on our website for some suggestions.

For more information and guidance on tuning your drum kit, please visit our website at www.gear4music.com

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