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# **Drum Mic Kits**

ver the past few years, more and nore manufacturers have been offering pre-packaged bundles or kits of microphones selected specifically for drum miking. These range from a few hundred to several thousand dollars, but all offer a grab-and-go package that offers an easy solution with individual transducers matched for the job at hand. That's not to say you have to limit yourself to what's included in the case — you may end up using the supplied snare mic in a dual-mic, under-snare application, paired with another mic on top, or add a couple more mics to the stew to cover a larger kit, percussion table, etc. In any case, we decided to look at some top-of-the-line offerings and found choices to suit anyone's needs or budget.

AKG Drum Set Premium



Number of Mics: 8

Kick Mic: D12 VR

Snare Mic: D40

**Tom Mics:** (3) D40

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) large-diaphragm C214; C451 B

**Notes:** Padded metal carry case; clip-on mounts for tom and snare mics; shock mounts for C214 overheads.

Price: \$1,999/street

akg.com



Audio-Technica MB-DK6

Number of Mics: 6

Kick Mic: MB 6k

**Snare Mic:** MB 5k

Tom Mics: (2) MB 5k

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) MB 4k

Notes: Part of A-T's entry-level Midnight Blues line; includes case and stand mounts; MB 4k's can be phantom or battery powered.

audio-technica.com

Price: \$459/MSRP





Number of Mics: 3 Number of Mics: 7

Kick Mic: SR30 with KickPad

Snare Mic: none

Tom Mics: none

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) QTC50

**Notes:** Designed for minimal miking setups; includes Zero Halliburton case, inline -15/30 dB pads and KickPad shaper for optimizing kick sound.

Price: \$3,999/street

earthworksaudio.com

Electro-Voice PL DK7



Kick Mic: PL33

**Snare Mic:** PL35

**Tom Mics:** (3) PL35

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) PL37

**Notes:** Includes firm shell gig bag and four clip-on drum mounts.

Price: \$459/street

electrovoice.com

### ewitt DTP Beat Kit Pro 7



Number of Mics: 7

Kick Mic: DTP 640 REX

Snare Mic: MTP 440 DM

Tom Mics: DTP 340 TT

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) LCT 340

**Notes:** Includes carry case, six shock

mounts and four clip-on drum mounts.

Price: \$1,299/street

lewitt-audio.com

## MicTek PMD7



Number of Mics: 7

Kick Mic: PM11

Snare Mic: PM10

**Tom Mics:** (3) PM10

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) C5

Notes: Includes aluminum case and four clip-on drum mic mounts.

Price: \$1,899/street

miktekaudio.com

### Audix DP Elite 8



**Number of Mics: 8** 

Kick Mic: D-6

Snare Mic: i-5

**Tom Mics:** (2) D-2 (rack); D-4 (floor)

mounts for tom and snare mics.

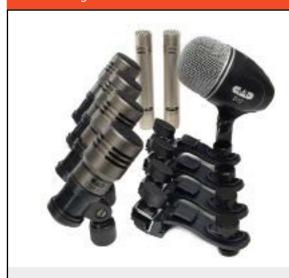
Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) SCX1-c; SCX1-hc

Notes: Padded aluminum case; clip-on gooseneck

Price: \$2,199/street

audixusa.com

### CAD Touring 7



Number of Mics: 7

Kick Mic: D12

Snare Mic: TSM411

**Tom Mics:** (3) TSM411

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) GXL 1200

**Notes:** Includes carry case and four DMC1 clip-on drum mounts.

Price: \$299/street

cadaudio.com



Number of Mics: 4

Kick Mic: none

Snare Mic: d:vote 4099

**Tom Mics:** (3) d:vote 4099

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: none

**Notes:** Includes Pelican case; (4) gooseneck drum mount clips (four sax/trumpet and two universal clips are also included); a 10-mic kit is also offered.

Price: \$2,499/street

dpamicrophones.com



Number of Mics: 7

Snare Mic: e904

**Tom Mics:** (3) e904

clip-on drum mounts for e904's.

Price: \$1,399/street

# Shure PGDMK6-XLR



Number of Mics: 6

Snare Mic: PG56

cables and three clip-on drum mounts;

PG81's can be battery or phantom powered.

Price: \$399/street

shure.com

# Telefunken DD5



Kick Mic: M82

Snare Mic: M80-SH

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: none

Notes: Also includes flight case, four clipon drum mounts and five mic cables with 90-degree XLR termination at mic end for

**Price:** \$1,349/street

t-funk.com

# Coming Next Month

Portable Speaker Systems



Kick Mic: e902

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) e914 **Notes:** Includes aluminum case and four

sennheiserusa.com

Kick Mic: PG52

**Tom Mics:** (2) PG56

Overhead/Hi-Hat Mics: (2) PG81

Notes: Includes carry case, six 15-foot XLR

Number of Mics: 5

Tom Mics: (3) M81-SH

tight placements.

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