TD-8 Collective Expansion Pack a sound enhancing expansion pack for the Roland TD-8 & 6V Drum Module

Owner's Manual

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Introduction

Thank you for purchasing V Expressions LTD's TD-8 Collective Expansion Pack!

The "Collective" series is for all drummers at all experience levels. Whether you are a gigging professional or just starting as an e-drummer, this pack has all the necessary tools to get you out of the box and sounding top notch. Most of the 50 drum kits are acoustically based with a few tasteful Electronic Kits to choose from as well. There is a great african/latin percussion drum kit too! Cymbal and Hi-Hat choices change from various kit groups but certain cymbal instrument selections remain the same through most of the kits. Basically, the best sounding one's were used and varied.

The TD-8 is a highly expressive sound percussion module. It features COSM signature modeling found on the Roland TD-10, TD-12, and TD-20 modules. We have developed these drum kit formulas for the working drummer and hobbyist alike to obtain the best the TD-8 can offer.

From expertly put together Jazz and Rock kits, to deep and powerful sounding Vintage drum kits, you will certainly have a great time picking your master set up. While all the drum kits are unnamed, they have been designed from a "Collective" of great drummers and drum sets. There is a good chance your favorite drummer's set has been modeled. John Henry Bonham, Ian Pace, Lars Ulrich, Steve Gadd, Tre Cool, Dave Weckl, Steve Smith, Dennis Chambers, Neil Peart, Ginger Baker, Gene Krupa, Buddy Rich, and many others are very well represented. Slingerland, DW, Gretsch, Tama, Pearl, Noble & Cooley, Sonor, Premier, Yamaha, and Trixon are but a few of the great manufacturers that have been modeled. Details like instrument selection, CSOM types and pitch, panning, level, eq, and ambience control have all been carefully considered and highly tweaked.

We have left the master output level at 127 per kit to allow you maximum volume as needed for your situation. Playing V-Drums requires some finesse and an adapted style that takes some getting used to. It is a different approach verses Acoustic drums. Slamming your V-Drums hard all the time for maximum volume isn't exactly getting the best from your drums. This new pack is designed to help you play at constant velocities without bashing your drums out of necessity for volume.

Chris, our programmer for the TD-8 "Collective" pack, is a highly dynamic player using V Drums professionally everyday and has programmed this pack for expressiveness and acoustic nuances found in the real world. He owns a full TD-8K V Drum set up and has programmed this pack on it. From his drum kit to yours, this pack will help you create a terrific playing sound and style all your own.

We have left all the trigger settings at factory default. The Collective expansion pack supports the Roland TD8 sound percussion module with a V Stage Custom set up. Our midi file has been created as a "drum kits only" sysex file, so your Trigger bank configuration will not be affected by the midi bulk load.

Thank you once again for purchasing the **TD-8 Collective Expansion Pack** from V Expressions LTD. We hope you enjoy it!

V Expressions LTD: TD-8 Collective Expansion Pack Instructions

READ ALL OF THE FOLLOWING BEFORE CONTINUING

All user kits in your TD-8 (kits1-50) **will be erased during a load of any kits from your computer**. The factory reset information is not disturbed and the original version of the TD-8 can be reset at any time to return to your default purchased starting point.

We highly recommend backing up your current TD-8 memory to save any personal previous changes before loading any expansion packs from V Expressions LTD. Please take a moment to read all of our procedures below before attempting them.

If you have questions before attempting any of the procedures below, please refer to your TD-8 owner's manual or email V Expressions LTD from our website at www.vexpressionsltd.com.

Backup Instructions

First you must download and install a midi utility to transfer and receive your sysex files to and from the TD8 via your computer. A list of utilities can be found at our website. **V Expressions highly recommends VDrumLib** as the premiere librarian and transfer tool.

- 1. Connect your **TD-8** module to your computer via midi. Open your Midi transfer program and follow to "receive midi dump"
- 2. At your TD8 module Press **SETUP** and then press **(F2) Midi**
- 3. Press (F3) Bulk
- 4. Use the value dial to scroll to "Drum Kit"
- 5. Cursor down to Select ALL
- 6. Press (F3) EXEC
- 7. Your module will send the Midi information to the computer
- 8. Press **(F1) STOP**, if you wish to cancel
- 9. Once complete, you will save the file as a (.syx) midi file to recall at any time. Place in a folder you can easily retrieve.

Installation Instructions

NOTE: Backup the TD8 before continuing!

- 1. Connect the **TD-8** to your computer via midi.
- 2. Make sure your **TD-8** is set to Midi Device ID #17: It is a Roland standard default setting. If you have changed this, please restore to ID #17. Please refer to your owner's manual for this procedure.
- 3. Using a standard midi transfer program, send the downloaded file named: **td8coll.syx** to the **TD-8** drum module.
- 4. The module will receive the bulk dump automatically.
- 5. The screen should say: "Bulk Data Receiving Please, Wait"
- 6. If your screen is not showing that, you have to repair your midi connection and start the procedure again
- 7. Once complete, you will save the file as a (.syx) midi file to recall at any time. Place in a folder you can easily retrieve.

Additional Information

The Collective XP pack was originally designed on a Roland TD-6 V Tour drum kit setup using a Roland TD6-V Sound module.

We have midi converted this file to a TD-8 format. The file was then loaded to a Roland TD-8K drum set (later marketed as the V Stage Custom) and fully tested for placement and trigger bank control.

The file you have loaded is a "Drum kits" only file. Your personal Trigger SETUP section should not be affected.

Support for Tom 4 is programmed on input 11 with a China cymbal on input 12

V Cymbal Positional Control is not supported on the **TD-8**, but is accepted as a Trigger Type pad on updated versions. So, you can use all the CY series pads with the **TD-8**. They will choke and operate as two zone pads.

Programmer notes:

During Beta testing on the TD-8....

- 1. Programming was completed with all the slider levels at 100% maximum.
- 2. Headphones were the primary monitoring for the creation of this pack.
- 3. The Roland TD12 and TD20 have a different midi value note for Tom 4 and should be recalibrated with the correct note that corresponds with the TD8 for Tom4 midi operation using the TD12 or TD20 as the primary controller and the TD8 as the slave.

Collective Expansion Pack Kit Listing

Kits are modeled to sound like the following:

- 1 Yamaha MM 1987 Yamaha Rec Custom Birch
- 2 LdwgCTX Late 80's Ludwig Cortex
- 3 TamaSTAG 2000 Tama Stagestar
- 4 Drivecar Roland R5 Drum Machine
- 5 StvSmith Steve Smith using Sonor Designers Vital Info
- 6 SlingLND Mid 70's Maple Thin Shell Slingerland
- 7 Vintg PRM 1963 Premier Vintage
- 8 Gretsch Gretsch Catalina
- 9 SonorLTE 1991 Sonor Lite
- 10 TamalMP* 1982 Tama Imperialstar
- 11 TrxnSPDF 50's Trixon Speedfire
- 12 PercTD6 Conga, Bongo, percussion set up
- 13 Led Zep Bonham Zep III
- 14 Rogers 1969 Rogers Maple
- 15 Trick Trick drums Alum
- 16 Abe L Jr. Abe Laboriel Jr. on DW
- 17 Vogue Maddona Vogue TR909
- 18 Ayotte Ayotte Drumsmith 1999
- 19 DennisCH Dennis Chambers- Pearl
- 20 TommyLee Tommy Lee
- 21 40's WFL 1943 WFL stagemaster
- 22 BissoneT Greg Bissonette/ Remo
- 23 Portnoy Mike Portnoy on Tama ArtStar II
- 24 Gadd- Steve Gadd Yamaha Rec Customs
- 25 VinniPAN Vinnie Paul Pantera
- 26 VrglDona Virgil Donati Premier Artist
- 27 Erskine Peter Erskine Yamaha
- 28 Ian Pace- Deep Purple
- 29 Weckl Dave Weckl on Yamaha Maple Customs
- 30 Krupa Gene Krupa
- 31 PearlBLX 2002 Pearl Masters Birch
- 32 Tama ART Tama Artstar –1992
- 33 Kramer Joey Kramer Aerosmith 1970's
- 34 Buddy R Buddy Rich
- 35 DW Bronz DW Collectors series with Bronze Snare
- 36 Bozzio Terry Bozzio
- 37 Tre Cool
- 38 Premier 1984 Premier Soundwave
- 39 90's Kit 1994 Pearl Export
- 40 Peart Neil Peart Early Tama
- 41 Reggae Reggae styled kit
- 42 Yam Tour Yamaha Tour Custom Beech/Mahog
- 43 Aldridge Tommy Aldridge Metal
- 44 Mpx ProM Mapex Pro M 2003
- 45 MetalDD4 Metal power kit on Ddrum 4
- 46 D/W S.Oil 1996 DW Satin Oil with Keller Shells
- 47 3000SONR 1998 Force 3000 Sonor
- 48 Tool Danny Carey Parabola off Lateralus
- 49 Lar1983 Lars Ulrich/ Metallica Seek & Destroy
- 50 Incubus

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