Essentials: Performance Expansion Pack

a sound enhancing expansion pack for the Roland TD-30 Drum Module

Owner's Manual



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Introduction

Thank you for purchasing V Expressions LTD's **Essentials: Performance!**

Essentials: Performance adds 45 additional new kits to the Essentials Series, with an alternative modern secondary cymbal setup on many kits, and includes the Essentials: Rock 5 additional cymbal sets. This equates to 7 total cymbal setups! As always, your favorite cymbals, toms, snares and more can easily be copied to other kits to create the kit of your dreams!

Essentials: Performance has been **created with consistency and live performance in mind**. The kits are designed to offer **highly usable kits that gel with many styles and genres of music in live, jamming, and recording environments**. This pack is perfect for those looking for consistency during live performances, while being able to change slight component styles for a given song; such as changing a snare or tom set for a ballad or other style of song.

Like Essentials: Rock, Essentials: Performance carries cymbal modeling to reflect 14" K/Z Zildjian Hi-Hats, a 21" Zildjian Earth Ride, and 17" & 18" Zildjian A Custom Crashes on the majority of kits. Aux 1 and 2 are modeled as 10" & 12" Zildjian A Custom Splashes. Aux 3 and 4 are also programmed as 21" Zildjian China High and a 15" K Custom Dark. Five additional cymbal sets modeled after Bosphorus, Meinl, Soultone, Istanbul and Zildjian Constantinople cymbals are provided. The secondary cymbal set is provided on the remaining kits, noted with the "C2".

Preset kit cymbals can be easily swapped with any cymbals in the 5 additional cymbal sets to create your own personal custom cymbal setup!

Each kit in the **Essentials Series** has been created on the TD-30 from scratch. All kits have been tested using multiple headphone brands, multiple live P.A. setups and multiple studio monitoring environments.

Tips & Tricks

Before loading V Expressions LTD expansions, we always recommend you create a backup of your current settings!

Like many previous expansions, **Essentials: Performance** has been modeled slightly on the "wet" side. We find that it is easier for our customers to "dial-down" effects; rather than try to find out "what's missing". If you feel something is a bit boomy, don't worry; we designed it that way! Simply "dial-down" effects, reverb or muffling to reach your personally desired level.

In live situations, it is suggested that the kits be played to the mixing console in stereo as they are modeled and then adding/ reducing the desired effects to accommodate the current environment. We suggest creating a "soundcheck" pattern of your personal playing that utilizes as many of the components as possible for your sound engineer to use during soundcheck.

Thank you once again for purchasing the **Essentials: Performance** from V Expressions LTD. We hope you enjoy it!

Essentials: Performance Expansion Pack Kit Listing

Kit	Name	Description
1.	Thin Raw	Thin Raw Studio Kit based on Gavin Degraw
2.	Thin Raw C2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
3.	Stud Tight	General Tight Studio Kit
4.	Stud Tight C2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
5.	Clean Studio	Fuller Clean Studio Kit
6.	Clean Studio C2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
7.	StoodyLive	Lively & Boomy Studio Kit
8.	SoMchTomComp	Harder Compressed Clean Studio Kit
9.	Fat Jack	Alan's favorite for just about anything
10.	FatJack C2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
11.	JackNoShot	Special snare limiting rimshots for special tunes
12.	JackNoShotC2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
13.	LoFiRock	Low Fidelity Rock Kit
14.	LoFi Loose	Loosened Low Fidelity Rock Kit
15.	Old Prog	90's inspired Progressive kit
16.	OldProg C2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
17.	New Prog	Modernized Progressive Kit
18.	SugaTrap	Mixture of Sugar Foot Moffet meets Trapt
19.	Rokgae	Rock Kit for Reggae styles
20. 21.	Inky Bus SilverCherub	Incubus inspired studio kit A certain I don't know what
21. 22.	SilverCherC2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
23.	Para DDL	Version 1 of a Paramore inspired kit
24.	Para Lit	Paramore mixed with Lit
25.	ParaLit C2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
26.	Skilzzz	Inspired by Skillet
27.	SkilzzzC2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
28.	WouldSTP	Alice meets STP, with a modern production
29.	WouldSTPC2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
30.	Charmed Rage	Semi-charmed kind of Rage
31.	Echo Jet	Echosmith mixed with Jet
32.	EchoJet C2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
33.	Ballad Pools	Small Pools of Ballad feelz
34.	BalladPoolC2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
35.	ModCountryLo	Modern Country with low tunings
36.	ModCountryHi	Modern Country with higher tunings
37.	Old Boots	Older Country
38.	New Boots	Newer Country
39.	Country Tight	Modern Tight Country
40.	BodyFied	Kit with a nice body
41.	BodyFiedC2	with alternative dark cymbal pack
42.	TomyFied C2	Toms with a nice round body
43. 44.	TomyFiedC2	with alternative dark cymbal pack Modernized, yet dated, Phil Collins kit
44. 45.	Mod Abacab ClosEr	Electronic kit for use with much of today's pop country and more
45. 46.	Cym Set 1B	Bosphorus Cymbal Set
40. 47.	Cym Set 1B	Meinl Cymbal Set
47. 48.	Cym Set 3S	Soultone Cymbal Set
49.	Cym Set 4I	Istanbul Cymbal Set
50.	Cym Set 5C	Constantinople Cymbal Set
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V Expressions Limited: TD-30 Expansion Pack Instructions

READ ALL OF THE FOLLWING BEFORE CONTINUING!

BACKUP YOUR CURRENT SETTINGS BEFORE BEGINNING!!

Please take a moment to read all of our procedures below before attempting them.

Your default reset information is never disturbed, and the "factory" version of the TD-30 can be reset at any time to return to your default purchased starting point.

Remember! You may rename backup files any number you want (001-099). However, the FILE NAME must remain in the original Roland backup format: (TD30_Backup###.TD0). The TD30 WILL NOT read anything different.

If you have questions before attempting any of the procedures below, please refer to your TD-30 owner's manual or email V Expressions LTD from our website at www.vexpressionsltd.com.

Note: In order to load the **Essentials: Performance** backup file from V Expressions LTD successfully to your TD-30, your USB flash drive must be formatted in the TD-30. This will put the proper file system on your USB Flash drive.

Making a backup of your current settings will create this structure, if you have not done so already. Go do it! (Section II below)

Section I: Formatting a USB Device in TD-30

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IMPORTANT: Only do this if you have not used your USB stick yet. Doing so WILL ERASE ANY PREVIOUS BACKUPS YOU'VE ALREADY CREATED.

- Step 1: Connect your USB flash drive into the module's USB Memory Port.
- Step 2: Press the USB MEM button
- Step 3: Press F5 [A↔B] button
- Step 4: Press the F4 Format button
- Step 5: Press FORMAT F5
- Step 6: At the confirmation screen, Press FORMAT
- Step 7: At the next confirmation screen, Press EXECUTE

Press Cancel if you do not wish to Format your Flash drive

Section II: Saving Data to an external USB Device in TD-30

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- **Step 1:** Insert your formatted USB flash drive into the module's USB Memory Port.
- Step 2: Press the USB MEM button.
- Step 3: Press F1 SAVE
- Step 4: Use + or buttons or dial to select an avail backup number
- Step 5: Press F5 Save
- **Step 6:** You can name your backup if desired, press Name, use dial to select letters, etc. Press Exit when completed.
- Step 7: In the Save Backup Screen, Press SAVE
- Step 8: Press EXECUTE to save backup.

Section III: Saving Your V Expressions LTD download file to your USB Drive for PC

NOTE: After ensuring our expansion number is unique for you, you may simply copy the "Roland" folder in your downloaded zip to your USB stick. Remember! Any backup of the same name WILL BE OVERWRITTEN! BE CAREFUL!

- Step 1: Insert your formatted USB drive into your computer. (See Section I)
- Step 2: From your Desktop, locate the file: TD30_Backup002.TD0
- Step 3: Open your USB drive and locate the Roland Folder and Dbl Click
- Step 4: A TD-30 Folder will appear, DBL click that
- Step 5: A Backup Folder will appear, DBL Click that
- Step 6: Select and drag desired file into this folder.
- Step 7: Verify that the file is there.
- Step 8: Once verified the file is there, back out of screen and EJECT the USB Drive

Section III: Saving Your V Expressions LTD download file to your USB Drive for Mac

NOTE: After ensuring our expansion number is unique for you, you may simply copy the "Roland" folder in your downloaded zip to your USB stick. Remember! Any backup of the same name WILL BE OVERWRITTEN! BE CAREFUL!

- **Step 1:** Insert your formatted USB drive into your computer. (See Section I)
- Step 2: From your Desktop, locate the USB Flash drive Icon
- Step 3: Open your USB drive and locate the Roland Folder and Dbl Click
- Step 4: A TD-30 Folder will appear, DBL click that
- Step 5: A Backup Folder will appear, DBL Click that
- Step 6: Find file: TD30 Backup099.TD0, then drag file into Backup folder.
- Step 7: Verify that the file is there.
- Step 8: Once verified the file is there, EJECT the USB Drive

Auditioning Kits without loading

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- Step 1: Press Setup
- **Step 2:** Press F5 scroll to B $[A \leftrightarrow B]$ button for (KIT SEL)
- Step 3: Press F1 KIT SEL
- Step 4: Press F3 USB
- Step 5: Press F3 to scroll to bank (99)
- Step 6: Use Value Dial to audition the kits (1-60)
- Step 7: To Copy kit into USER section, press F5 Copy
- Step 8: Use Value Dial to Select a USER kit (1-100)
- Step 1: Press F5 Copy
- Step 1: Press F5 Execute

Section IV: Loading Kits

A. Copy 50 Drum kits at a Time.

Copying 50 drums kits to the TD-30

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- Step 1: Connect your USB flash drive into the module's USB Memory Port.
- Step 2: Press Shift and the USB MEM button together
- Step 3: Press F4 (50 Kits)
- Step 4: Press F3 (USB)
- Step 5: Set Bank to Strike backup (99)
- **Step 6:** Set USB to 1-50 or 51-100
- **Step 7:** Set USER to 1-50 or 51-100
- **Step 8:** Press F5 (copy) then F5 (execute)
 - B. Use the Kit Copy function to load each kit individually.

Copying each kit individually to the TD-30

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- Step 1: Connect your USB flash drive into the module's USB Memory Port.
- Step 2: Press Shift and the USB MEM button together
- Step 3: Press F1 Kit
- Step 4: Press F3 USB
- Step 5: Set Bank to Strike backup (99)
- Step 6: Set USB to any VEX kit (1-60)
- **Step 7:** Set USER to any kit of your choice (1-100)
- Step 8: Press F5 (copy / execute)

Repeat this process for each kit you want to load individually.

C. Loading the entire expansion.

Loading the entire expansion to the TD-30

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- Step 1: Connect your USB memory stick to the TD-30's USB MEMORY port.
- Step 2: Press the [USB MEM] button.
- Step 3: Press the [F2] (LOAD) button.
- **Step 4:** Use [–] [+] buttons to select the backup number you wish to load.
- **Step 5:** Press the [F5] (EXECUTE) button.

Section V: Initial Settings on your TD-30 Module

Headphone and main outputs: Start your initial levels at around 11-12 o'clock.....work it out from there.

Slider/Ambiance levels: Set all sliders even. 100% is ideal. Adjust down.

Snare / Rim Level: The snare drum levels are designed for seasoned players who use rimshots regularly:

Visit <u>VDrumLib</u> for information on V Drum Librarian. This program is a computer based editing and management tool for your TD-30. It works both with PC and MAC. We highly recommend this product.

Troubleshooting

If you are having problems with your pads not responding like normal, your rim features have been shut off or seem quiet or muffled with low dynamics, check the following:

- 1. Ensure your trigger settings match YOUR pads exactly.
- 2. VH-13 or VH-12 not performing: Re-establish Offset. Ensure trigger selection.
- 3. **No sounds**: Ensure all settings and cables for proper input and volumes.
- 4. CY-12C/R, CY-13R, or CY-15R has no BELL sound: Ensure trigger selection and/or switch/check cables.
- 5. **Snare rim is weak**: Ensure trigger selection. Adjust rim gain higher. This will be based solely on personal preference and pad type. There is no right or wrong rim setting.

Contact & Support

If you have questions before attempting any of the above procedures, please refer to your TD-30 owner's manual or email V Expressions LTD from our website at www.vexpressionsltd.com.

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