

Essentials: ROCK 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: ROCK!**

V Expression's first release for the TD-30 in this new series, **Essentials: ROCK** is designed as a plug n' play expansion for drummers of all levels wishing to jump right into playing with their favorite bands and tunes; without the worries of processing and mixing.

Essentials: ROCK provides **50 brand new kits** for the TD-30, plus **5 additional cymbal sets**, and has been **created for jamming, professional gigging and recording.**

All 50 new kits carry cymbal modeling to reflect **14" K/Z Zildjian Hi-Hats, 21" Zildjian Earth Ride, and 17" and 18" Zildjian A Custom Crashes.** **These preset cymbals can be easily swapped with any cymbals in the 5 additional cymbal sets to create your own personal custom cymbal setup!**

Essentials: ROCK also includes pre-programmed support for all Aux channels. Aux 1 and 2 on all kits are programmed as **Zildjian 10" and 12" 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.

Essentials: ROCK comes with two pad setting configurations. We have provided custom pad tweaks to add dynamic sensation and playability. However, we've also included standard TD-30 default trigger set-up. **Remember, you can always use your own "setup data" by "loading kits" (section IV below), or appending your own setup data with [VDrumLib](#).**

Each new kit in **Essentials: ROCK** 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. As always, each and every personal setup may require additional tweaking to get the perfect mix for your environment and gear. This is normal.

Tips & Tricks

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

Like many previous expansions, **Essentials: ROCK** 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: ROCK** from V Expressions LTD. We hope you enjoy it!

Essentials: ROCK Expansion Pack Kit Listing

Kit	Name	Description
1.	Yam Studio	Simple Yamaha Studio kit for multi genre
2.	Dirt Funk	Dirty Funk kit for old school, pop and R&B
3.	Carnal Ludwig	Inspired by Van Halen's Carnal Knowledge
4.	Sonar Wet Hi	Sonar Delite kit with high toms
5.	HubaStnk	Inspired by Hoobastank
6.	Sonar Wet Po	Variation on Sonar Delite with 80's Tama toms
7.	HubaStnk Lo	Inspired by Hoobastank with low toms
8.	Sonar Wide	Wide spectrum room
9.	STP Wide	Mash up of 80's rock meets modern thickness
10.	LimpRoll	Super compressed Bisquit kit
11.	Foo Kit	Inspired by Foo Fighters
12.	Tat Kit	Tattoo kit with normal toms
13.	Tat Roto	Tattoo kit with roto-toms
14.	Nirvahna	80's rock meets modern compression
15.	Silvahna	Inspired by Silverstein
16.	Big Thick	All around great pop rock and ballad kit (multi-use)
17.	Tight Tinge	Emo reggae hybrid for modern pop
18.	Old Fart	Open and loose studio kit for folk rock
19.	Thin Timmy	Emo hybrid for modern punk
20.	Loosy Susie	Open and loose studio kit for special effect
21.	Boomy Roomy	Special effect kit a la Beck, etc.
22.	Sam Steel	Pronounced steel snare with round warm kit
23.	Toobular	Tubes
24.	Toobular 2	Longer tubes
25.	Muted Fiber	Flashback to fiber
26.	Dirty Ralph	Big open kit for modern jazz and pop
27.	HS Perclator	Mash up of high school components in a kit
28.	Popcorn	Tight wet reggae kit
29.	Free Fallen	Modern ballad kit inspired by Tom Petty
30.	Toxic City	Mono-tastic Toxicity kit
31.	Bull Valntne	Inspired by Bullet for my Valentine
32.	Jumpsuite	Inspired by Jumpsuit Apparatus
33.	Emo Gasm	Emo punk dreams come true
34.	Sufferen	The Suffering
35.	Old Ass Punk	Old school punk for modern day chumps
36.	Mom's Garage	Actually sounds nothing like my mom's garage
37.	Collin's Kit	Old dried up Phil Collins... kit
38.	Buum Stuum	Read: Boom Stoo-dio, not Su Suedio
39.	Luum Stuum	Boomy Ludwig in the warm studio realm (clean)
40.	Crude Stud	Trashy lofi kit for modern pop
41.	Nasty Woody	Dirty loose acoustic for hipster rock
42.	Maple Mix	Mix of maple components in a warm clean studio room
43.	Open Fiber	Fiber kit in a warm clean studio environment
44.	Old Fiber	Fiber kit in aged processing
45.	ol' Ludwig	Raw acoustic Ludwig in the studio
46.	el Ayotte	Ayotte kit ravaged in 'Murican studios
47.	Orange CTY	Alan's version of Orange County
48.	Tricksy	Tight light poppy kit
49.	Powmier	Powerful Premier in a big room
50.	Pop Eye	Muscle rock
51.	Cym Set 1B	Bosphorus Cymbal Set
52.	Cym Set 2M	Meinl Cymbal Set
53.	Cym Set 3S	Soultone Cymbal Set
54.	Cym Set 4I	Istanbul Cymbal Set
55.	Cym Set 5C	Constantinople Cymbal Set

V Expressions Limited: TD-30 Expansion Pack Instructions

READ ALL OF THE FOLLOWING 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: ROCK** 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

page 113 in your TD-30 manual

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.

Press Cancel if you do not wish to Save a backup to your Flash drive

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_Backup099.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↔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 [VDrumLib](#) 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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