



**PERFORMANCE 2011  
NEW PRODUCT GUIDE**



# BLACK PANTHER DRUM COLLECTION

## SOUND THE WAY YOU'VE ALWAYS DREAMED

Based on its successfully distinctive snare drum series, Mapex has taken this highly progressive design philosophy, extended it across an entire collection of unique drums and created the Mapex **Black Panther** drum Series.

**Black Panther** drums feature boldly unique shell formulas with specially designed bearing edge profiles to create distinctive tone and voice. With the **Black Panther** Series, Mapex speaks to the artistic side of every drummer by giving them drums that bring life to the sound they have only heard in their dreams.



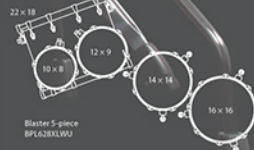
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## THE BLASTER

Mapex launches the **Black Panther** Drum Collection with The Blaster. What makes the Blaster unique from all other Mapex Drums is the precise selection and combination of shell design, shell materials, hoop and drum heads. Mapex started with a thin traditional 5.1mm American maple shell, added a 3.4mm walnut reinforcing ring and a 5:5 bearing edge with a rounded back cut. This "sound shaping" process produces an extremely focused explosive maple sound with a beautiful dark walnut undertone.

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**THE BLASTER**

Black Panther drums are sold as five-piece component packs. Choose from add-on bass drums, floor toms and tom-toms to build the set you've always dreamed of.



Hardware and cymbals sold separately.

Blaster 5-piece  
BPLA22ALWU



Traditional thin maple shells are known for their warm, explosive sound. Adding a partial walnut inner shell focuses the overall sound and adds a rich dark undertone to the maple.



The 5:5 rounded bearing edge places the head contact point in the middle of the shell, making for a perfect balance between head sound, shell vibration and overall volume and resonance.



The Mapex Sonic Saver™ hoop is another important ingredient to the Black Panther drum's overall sound. The shape of the hoop helps further focus the overall sound. Additionally, the hoop's unique shaping process creates a profile that reduces wear and tear to both sticks and hands while dramatically enhancing the response and feel of every rimshot. The 2.3mm Sonic Saver™ hoop successfully bridges the gap between flanged and die cast hoops.



## THE VELVETONE

Mapex has a long history of successfully combining different wood materials to make great sounding drum shells. Now Mapex has advanced this methodology with the Velvetone, which features a new maple and walnut shell formula. Rich, dark 3.4mm walnut plies act as a low-end buffer between warm interior and exterior maple plies. A specially selected 1:9 bearing edge allows the Remo® Ambassador Suede drumheads to resonate fully. The result is a drum that can whisper when needed, but can also bark at a moment's notice. To make sure the Velvetone is as appealing to the eye as it is to the ear, Mapex has finished the drums with an Italian burl maple veneer with a high gloss, Butter Burst lacquer. The Velvetone is exclusively for the player that can distinguish between simply good and truly extraordinary.

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Velvetone 5-piece  
#VPS5CCUB

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For a sound this special, using an "off the shelf" heads was not an option. After hours of playing and recording, Mapex chose the Remo® Ambassador Suede drumhead. This head offers incredible response and provides a feel that many have described as "heavenly."



The foundation of the Velvetone shell is Mapex's ability to harmonize the different voices of the wood and have them perform with complimentary resonance and tone. The marriage of American maple and walnut bring to life a shell that reacts quickly, loud and long. To further ensure optimum sound, an extended 1:9 bearing edge is used on the shell. The drumhead seats at the furthest outer point of the shell allowing the drumhead to vibrate at its fullest.



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SWR628SBNYH  
22 x 18 bass drum  
10 x 8, 12 x 9 tom toms  
14 x 14, 16 x 16 floor toms  
14 x 5.5 snare drum  
Hardware and cymbals  
sold separately.

SWR628SBKNWA  
22 x 18 bass drum  
10 x 8, 12 x 9 tom toms  
14 x 14, 16 x 16 floor toms  
14 x 5.5 snare drum  
Hardware and cymbals  
sold separately.









## SATURN BIRCH/WALNUT SPECIAL EDITION **BEAUTY AND THE BEAST**

The new Special Edition Saturn Birch/Walnut offers an extraordinary rendering of the distinctive Saturn sound. Mapex has taken the deep and rich sonic characteristics of walnut and combined them with the bright and articulate punch of birch. The result is a drum shell that projects the perfect fusion of depth and clarity. This special edition six-piece shell pack is available in a deep transparent sienna fade over an exotic exterior burl veneer and stunning yellow ocher sparkle burst. Both finishes are appointed with smoky black hardware.

# MERIDIAN MAPLE

## Available Finishes:

-  **NEW**  
Chestnut Burst RR
-  Midnight Steel PE
-  Volcanic Burst TZ
-  Cobalt Burst SQ
-  Candy Apple Burst RO
-  Gloss Natural NL
-  Transparent Cherry Red CY
-  Transparent Midnight Black MB
-  Platinum Sparkle PX
-  Indigo Sparkle LX
-  Black Chrome Pearl KP
-  Vanilla Cream Pearl VP

## STILL LEADING THE WAY

The Mapex Meridian Maple continues to set the standard for beauty and performance in all-maple drum sets. Bright, resonant 7-ply maple shells come in a variety of beautifully lacquered finishes. Meridian's lightweight and easy-to-position Isolated Tom Mounting System (ITS), makes set-up quick and easy and optimizes resonance.

MP6285RR  
Chestnut Burst Lacquer  
22 x 18 bass drum  
10 x 8, 12 x 9 tom toms  
14 x 14, 16 x 16 floor toms  
14 x 5.5 snare drum  
with 700 series hardware







## MORE DRUMS FOR YOUR DOLLAR

For an aggressive and cutting sound, the Meridian Birch is the clear choice in drums that are versatile enough to tackle a wide variety of musical styles.

### Available Finishes:

- NEW  
Amber Fade UA
- Indigo Mist LU
- Cherry Mist LE
- Transparent Walnut  
Fade WA
- Black Forest Fade BD
- Sapphire Fade SI
- Transparent Honey  
Amber HA
- Transparent  
Cherry Red CY
- Transparent  
Midnight Black MB
- Platinum Sparkle PX
- Indigo Sparkle LX
- Black BL
- Burgundy BY
- Gray Steel GT
- Indigo Steel UT

# MERIDIAN BIRCH

MR6285UA  
Amber Fade Lacquer  
22 x 18 bass drum  
10 x 8, 12 x 9 tom toms  
14 x 14, 16 x 16 floor toms  
14 x 5.5 snare drum  
with 700 series hardware



Available Finishes:

NEW  
Rattan Yellow RY



Transparent Sapphire TS



Transparent Cherry Red CY



Transparent Midnight Black MB



## START LIVING THE DREAM

The Mapex Horizon Series has cutting edge features and sound quality that go unrivaled at its price point. The birch and basswood shells deliver rich, controlled sound and projected tone in any venue. The Horizon Series comes complete with a double tom holder and optional auxiliary cymbal placement, the Mapex exclusive Isolated Tom Mounting System (ITS), adjustable padded throne, low-profile die-cast cushioned bass drum claw hooks, instructional setup DVD and Remo® drum heads.

## HORIZON HZB SERIES

HZB5255RY  
Rattan Yellow Lacquer  
22 x 18 bass drum  
12 x 9, 13 x 10 tom toms  
16 x 16 floor tom  
14 x 5.5 snare drum  
with 500 series hardware

Available Finishes:

NEW  
Rattan Yellow RY



Transparent Sapphire TS



Transparent Cherry Red CY



Transparent Midnight Black MB



## BIG CITY PLAYERS NEED BIG CITY DREAMS

Every busy player needs a set for gigs where getting in and out quickly is important, but sounding your best is critical. The Mapex Horizon HZB Big City Kit is ideal for clubs and events where space is tight and loading and unloading needs to be quick and efficient. Once you're playing, you'll be completely knocked out with the tone and response that the birch and basswood shells deliver. From subtle brush work to lively pop licks, the Big City Kit performs flawlessly. The Horizon HZB Big City Kit is sold as a five-piece shell pack and is available in classic lacquer finishes. The 18-inch kick drum features a distinctively designed retro-style front white head.



**HZB581SCY**  
5-piece Shell Pack  
Transparent Cherry Lacquer  
18 x 14 bass drum  
10 x 8, 12 x 8 tom toms  
14 x 14 floor tom  
14 x 5 snare drum  
Double Tom Holder  
Cymbals and Hardware  
sold separately.

# HORIZON HZB BIG CITY KIT

# Raptor

DIRECT DRIVE PEDALS

DIGITAL PERFORMANCE. ANALOG FEEL. AFFORDABLE PRICE.

Mapex introduces another bird of prey - the Raptor Direct Drive Pedal. The Raptor has all of the power, stability and security you would expect from a direct drive pedal, but has the feel that you can only get from a chain pedal. In addition to the unique design of the Direct Driver linkage, Mapex has included some of the advanced technology found on the Mapex Falcon pedal such as a smaller pedal footprint, a torque-free spring mechanism and the unique Falcon beater with interchangeable weighted inserts. This combined formula results in a pedal with incredible flexibility and a feel that's unbelievably responsive and fluid. The new Mapex Raptor is available in a single and a double model. Once you play it, you'll understand immediately why the Mapex Raptor is the only pedal with direct drive appeal and a chain drive feel.

Raptor Single Pedal  
P900D



Raptor Double Pedal  
P900DTW

#### Direct Drive

The power, stability and security you would expect from a direct drive pedal, with the feel that you only get from a chain pedal.



#### Torque-Free Spring System

By allowing the torque-free spring mechanism to move independently, the Raptor's stroke and recoil motions are exceptionally smooth.



#### Reversible Beater Head with 10g Insert

With the choice of playing without any additional weight at all, you can determine the desired degree of centrifugal force.



#### Compact Footprint

113mm wide only, giving you more room to comfortably position your hi-hat and snare stands.





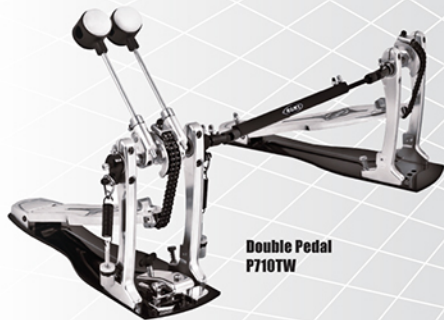
The same engineering that went into developing the direct drive technology for the Raptor pedal can now be added to your **existing Falcon Pedal**. Pick up the **Direct Driver Linkage Accessory Kit** and with the turn of two screws, quickly add the precision and power of direct drive to your Falcon.

**AC1000D Falcon Direct Drive Pack**  
Adding direct drive to your Falcon Pedal takes only minutes. Simply remove the two screws from the existing chain mechanism and replace the chain with the Direct Drive.



**FALCON**  
DIRECT DRIVE ACCESSORY PACK

## P710 BASS DRUM PEDALS



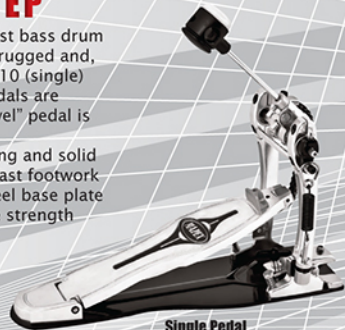
Double Pedal  
P710TW

If the P710's beaters look familiar, they should. Mapex has incorporated several features found on the Falcon and Raptor pedals, like a smaller footprint and quick and easy adjustment points. Visit your nearest Mapex dealer for a P710 bass drum pedal - and step on it!

### YOUR FIRST BIG STEP

Every first step is a big deal and your first bass drum pedal is no exception. It has to be fast, rugged and, of course, look cool! The new Mapex P710 (single) and the P710TW (double) bass drum pedals are changing the rules on what an "entry level" pedal is supposed to be.

The P710 Series pedals start with a strong and solid double chain that will handle all of the fast footwork you can throw at it. The P710's solid steel base plate with adjustable spurs provides all of the strength and stability you'll ever need.

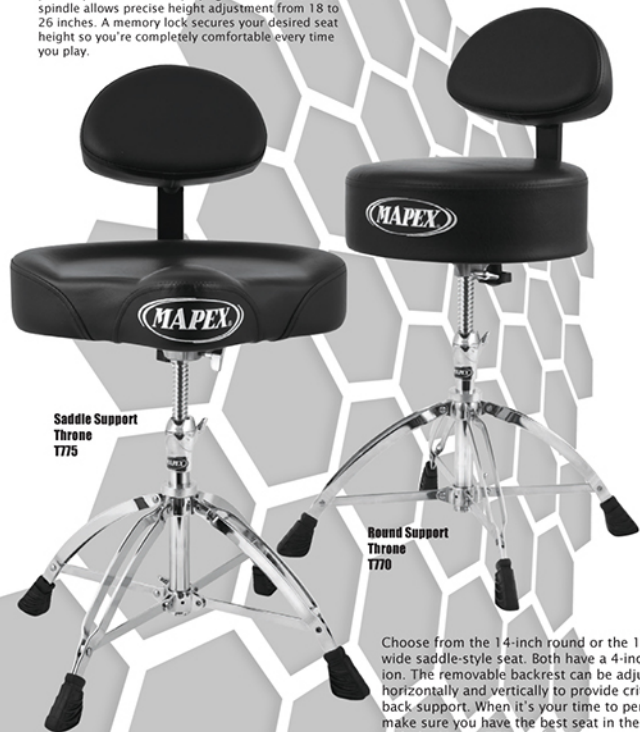


Single Pedal  
P710

## FOUR-POINT SUPPORT THRONES

### THE BEST SEAT IN THE HOUSE

Playing and sounding your best is about more than you drums. Feeling comfortable and secure while you play is every bit as important. The new Mapex T770 and T775 Four Point Support Thrones provide comfort and stability for every gig. The heavy-duty four-leg design keeps you completely stable and perfectly balanced while playing. The threaded steel spindle allows precise height adjustment from 18 to 26 inches. A memory lock secures your desired seat height so you're completely comfortable every time you play.



Saddle Support  
Throne  
T775

Round Support  
Throne  
T770

Choose from the 14-inch round or the 17-inch wide saddle-style seat. Both have a 4-inch cushion. The removable backrest can be adjusted horizontally and vertically to provide critical lower back support. When it's your time to perform, make sure you have the best seat in the house with the Mapex T770 and T775 Four Point Support Thrones.



**Chris Adler**  
Lamb of God



**Steve White**  
Paul Weller, The Players



**Aquilus Priester**  
Hangar



**Waldo Madera**  
Ricky Martin, Juanes



**Will Calhoun**  
Living Colour



**Liberty Devitto**  
Independent



**Nick D'Virgilio**  
Tears for Fears



**Dom Famularo**  
Drumming's Global  
Ambassador



**Mylious Johnson**  
Jovanotti, Tiziano  
Ferro,  
Kid Guch



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International Recording  
&  
Touring Artist



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Santana



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