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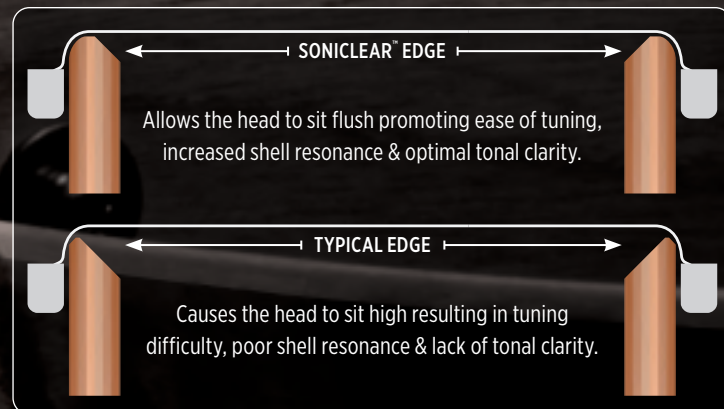
— THE STORY —

The snare drum is the foundation of your drum sound defining the character of the music and voicing the expression of your groove. Black Panther Snare Drums have been the Mapex foundation for more than 30 years and the lineup is now more expansive than ever. The Black Panther sound pallet offers 14 different wood and metal sounds in deep, standard, and small diameter models producing bright, dark, or vintage tones through our painstaking Concept Hybrid approach to drum design.

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SONICLEAR™

The **SONIClear™ Bearing Edge** is standard on all BP Snare drum shells and allows the drumhead to sit flatter and make better contact with the shell. The result is a stronger and deeper fundamental pitch, effortless and consistent tuning, and a significantly expanded tuning range. For the serious player, the increased head to edge contact increases shell vibration, allowing the sonic nuances of the Hybrid shell to stand out.

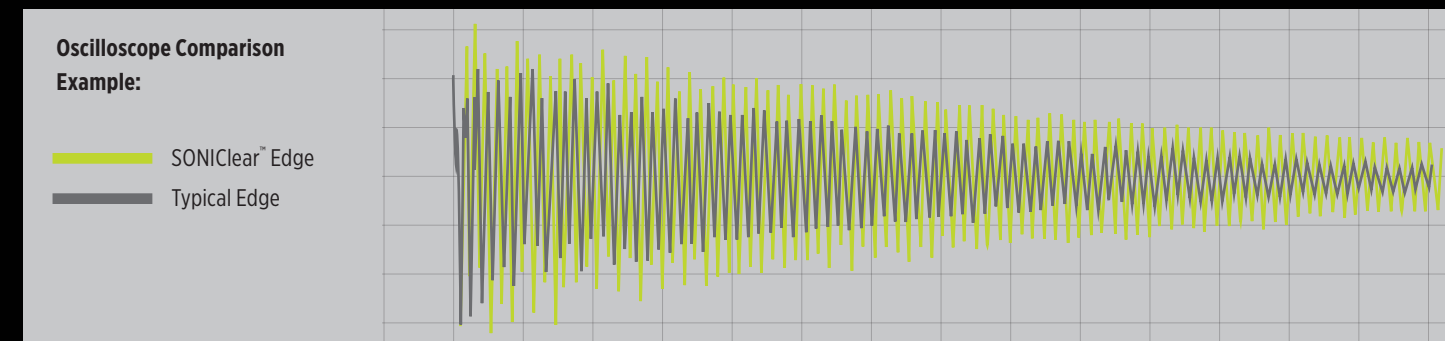


SONICLEAR™ EDGE AUDIO TEST SESSIONS

SOUND

The increased drumhead-to-shell contact achieved by the SONIClear™ Edge enhances shell vibration, resulting in the biggest sound possible from the drum.

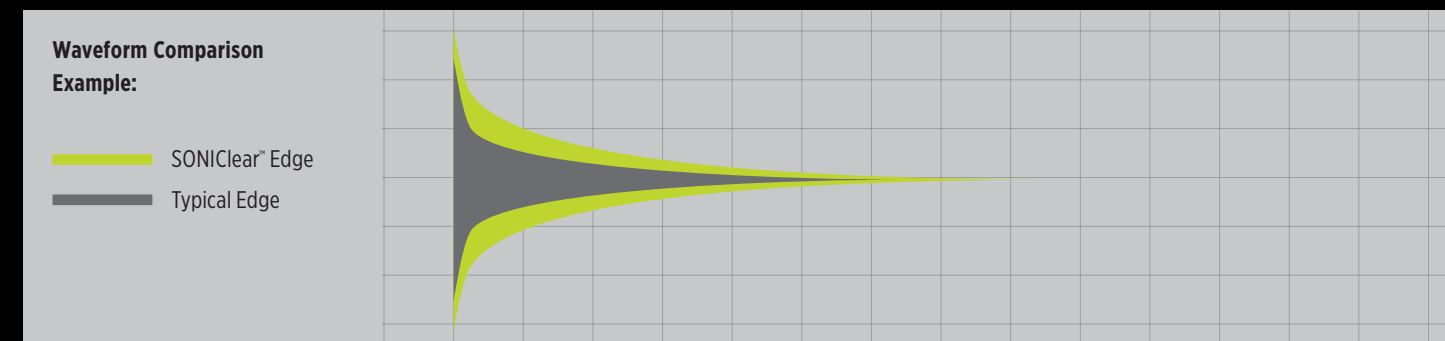
Oscilloscope Example: The Green Waveform is a recording of a drum with the SONIClear™ Edge. The dark grey waveform is a drum with a typical edge. Tuned to the same pitch and recorded identically, it's clear that the drum with the SONIClear™ Edge produces a much larger waveform from the initial strike through the full sustain of the note.



SUSTAIN

Because the drumhead sits flat on the SONIClear™ Edge, the tension applied during tuning is more balanced and stress-free. This allows the drumhead to vibrate freely and fully.

Waveform Comparison Example: The Green Waveform is a recording of a drum with the SONIClear™ Edge. The dark grey waveform is a drum with a typical edge. The size of the SONIClear™ waveform indicates a lower and stronger fundamental pitch while the length indicates a longer sustain compared to a typical edge.



The Black Panther Snare Drum series is designed to cover a drummer-centric number of sonic choices producing a selection that fits a vast range of musical styles. The sound concept starts with overarching drum types described as Deep, Standard, Shallow, and Small Diameter and then gets specific with descriptors Dry, Dark, Medium, and Bright. Scan the Sonic flow chart below to find yours.

SOUND CONCEPT		METAL	WOOD
DEEP	DRY	PERSUADER 	SOLIDUS 
	DARK	PREDATOR 	SHADOW 
	MEDIUM	CYRUS 	
	BRIGHT	ATOMIZER 	
STANDARD	MEDIUM	METALLION 	
	DRY		HERITAGE 
	DARK		PEGASUS 
	MEDIUM		NUCLEUS 
	BRIGHT		VENOM 
SHALLOW	BRIGHT		RAZOR 
SMALL DIAMETER	DARK		HYDRO 
	BRIGHT	WASP 	



Air Flow Venting

One of the most thrilling elements of playing Black Panther Snare Drums is the feel of the instrument. The Air Flow Venting is key to this feel and to the overall resonance of each shell. Through a painstaking testing process, each Black Panther model has been fitted with the ideal quantity of vent holes for this ultimate feel combined with premium sound & resonance.



Cylinder-Drive Strainer

The Cylinder-drive strainer and butt side adjustment use a self-lubricating bearing to insure smooth operation. The adjustment knobs employ “micro-lock” technology providing precise tension control.



ATOMIZER

The Atomizer brightens up the groove while keeping a deep character to the sound. The classic and timeless Aluminum sound captures every articulate nuance.

Size: 14" x 6.5"
 Shell: 2.0 mm Seamed Aluminium
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: Rolled/Moulded SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: In-Line Locking B-Lugs/ 3-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Deep/ Bright



CYRUS

The Cyrus conquers the groove with the strength of steel. The fundamental crack is deep and dry and projects with mighty energy.

Size: 14" x 6"
 Shell: 1.0 mm Seamed Steel, 13.8" Diameter Shell
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: Rolled/Moulded SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: In-Line Locking B-Lugs/ 4-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Deep/ Dry





METALLION

The Metallion is the standard. The warm and centered characteristics of brass focus the sound with just the right amount of sensitive bite.

Size: 14" x 5.5"
 Shell: 1.2 mm Seamed Brass
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: Rolled/Moulded SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: Staggered 1/8" Offset Locking B-Lugs / 4-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Standard



PERSUADER

The Persuader leads with an authoritative darkness. The hammered brass shell dispenses a formidable burst into the music with undeniable punch.

Size: 14" x 6.5"
 Shell: 1.2 mm Hammered Brass
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: Rolled/Moulded SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: In-Line Locking B-Lugs / 4-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Deep/Dry





PREDATOR

The Predator brings a dark and powerful sense to any musical situation. The copper shell produces a profound and weighty fundamental roaring with mid-low range tone.

Size: 14" x 6"
 Shell: 1.2 mm Seamed Copper
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: Rolled/Moulded SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: In-Line Locking B-Lugs/ 4-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Deep/ Dark



WASP

The Wasp produces a tight sting of a sound to accent and color with small diameter precision. The steel shell produces a dry tightness for putting a pointy snap on the groove.

Size: 10" x 5.5"
 Shell: 1.0 mm Seamed Steel
 2.0 mm Snare Bed with 3.5" Width
 Edges: SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: Double-Ended B-Lugs/ 2-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Small Diameter/Bright





HERITAGE

The Heritage brings a sense of history and tradition featuring a classic thin maple shell transcending musical styles from all ages. The walnut sonic rings add a touch of darkness to the enduring sound profile.

Size: 14" x 6"
 Shell: 5-Ply 5.0 mm Maple
 2.7 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 4-Ply 4 mm Walnut Reinforcement Rings
 Edges: SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: In-Line Locking B-Lugs/ 3-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Thin Shell/ Vintage



HYDRO

The Hydro is alive with fluid energy, deep and dark and bursting with character. When the music calls for a small diameter sound packing the punch of a storm surge.

Size: 13" x 7"
 Shell: 6-Ply 5.1 mm Maple
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 4-ply 4 mm Walnut Reinforcement Rings
 Edges: Rounded 45° Center Cut
 SONIClear™ 3/8" Outer Cut
 Lugs: In-Line Locking B-Lugs/ 3-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Small Diameter/ Dark





NUCLEUS

The Nucleus represents the center, when you need to drive the groove right down the middle. The middlemost plies are walnut providing a slightly organic character between the inner and outer layer of classic maple.

Size: 14" x 5.5"
 Shell: 8-Ply 8.1 mm Maple/Walnut/Maple
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: Staggered 1/8" Offset Locking B-Lugs/ 3-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Standard Medium



PEGASUS

The Pegasus is legendary and mysterious featuring a thinner shell construction producing a slightly darker character from the famed maple/walnut blended shell. Like it's mythological namesake, this drum is grounded but can take flight at a moment's notice.

Size: 14" x 5.5"
 Shell: 7-Ply 6.15 mm Maple/Walnut
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: Double-Ended B-Lugs/ 3-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Standard/ Dark





RAZOR

The Razor produces a sharp, articulate, edgy snap at all dynamic levels gleaming with high end brilliance. Never dull, this all maple drum slices through anything in the mix.

- Size: 14" x 5"
- Shell: 6-Ply 6.0 mm Maple
2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
- Edges: SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
- Lugs: Staggered 1/8" Offset Locking B-Lugs / 3-Air Vents
- Hoops: Triple-Flanged Hoops
- Sound: Shallow/ Bright



SHADOW

The Shadow is gloomy and lends a bit of obscurity to the mix when darkness is the prevailing musical character. Dusky and shady, this drum growls through any midnight groove.

- Size: 14" x 6.5"
- Shell: 7-Ply 6.85 mm Birch Walnut
2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
- Edges: SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
- Lugs: In-Line Locking B-Lugs/ 3-Air Vents
- Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
- Sound: Deep/ Dark





SOLIDUS

The Solidus is unshakable. This drum is a substantial instrument producing a crack that has a profound, bottomless character ripping with a bottomless foundation.

Size: 14" x 7"
 Shell: 11-Ply 11 mm Maple
 2.7 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: Rounded 45° Batter edge with 3/8" Counter-Cut
 Lugs: In-Line Locking B-Lugs / 4-Air Vents
 Hoops: Sonic Saver Hoops
 Sound: Deep/ Dry



VENOM

The Venom produces a poisonous slice that cuts through with a vicious bite. Nothing can hide from this infective instrument.

Size: 14" x 5.5"
 Shell: 8-Ply 6.85 mm Maple
 2.3 mm Snare Bed with 5.5" Width
 Edges: SONIClear™ Bearing Edge, 45°
 Lugs: Double-Ended B-Lugs / 3-Air Vents
 Hoops: Triple-Flanged Hoops
 Sound: Standard Bright





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