Subject: K200 Frankenstein L795 Bass or guitar amp? Posted by cjbpaquin on Sat, 29 Feb 2020 20:35:18 GMT

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Ok so I have a really really nice frankenstein set, bought from original owner....who bought it new when he was in high school. This amp has the paper tag, with handwritten model and serial number. Model number is L795. The cabinet has two 15's in it. My question: based on the model number the amp appears to have JBL D-140F speakers (this based on the 1966 catalog)...and the amps is an extraordinarily good sounding guitar amp, and was purchased by original owner as a guitar amp....and the head has reverb and tremolo...BUT in researching the JBL D-140F speakers it appears that they are bass speakers? Anyone have any thoughts on this? i guess i could turn all those screws and have a look...but were the JBL speakers in 1966 supposed to be used in bass amps only? or where they offered as guitar amps. It seems Jensens were also offered in 1966. thanks for any thoughts

Subject: Re: K200 Frankenstein L795 Bass or guitar amp? Posted by BrianBB on Sun, 08 Mar 2020 20:16:56 GMT

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The 1966 catalog on this website shows that that your amp should come with D-130s.

Subject: Re: K200 Frankenstein L795 Bass or guitar amp? Posted by stevem on Mon, 09 Mar 2020 10:04:55 GMT

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D140 driver are for Bass and as such only go up to 3000 HZ so they will sound kinda dull for guitar.

If the cabinet has no front ports to look into with a extension mirror and a flashligh (and with small enough hands to get in the ports) then you resigned to yanking the back off to confirm how it's loaded.

If you do have the wrong K140 drivers then this would not be the first time that the original buyer got sold the wrong cabinet!

I have bought many a kustom amp set that the owner had got misold until kustom started to tag the speaker jack with how the cabinet was loaded.

Subject: Re: K200 Frankenstein L795 Bass or guitar amp? Posted by cjbpaquin on Wed, 18 Mar 2020 02:28:32 GMT

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GOT it yes you are right! my bad...has the paper tag on the chassis that says L795, so it's got to be the JBL D130's as you say....i bought the amp from the original owner so am assuming it is the matched cabiinet..but only one way to find out gotta take all those screws out..it's a really really nice amp, i was going to sell it but with the two big JBL's i don't know if i can let it go now lol...

Subject: Re: K200 Frankenstein L795 Bass or guitar amp? Posted by BrianBB on Wed, 08 Apr 2020 05:57:19 GMT

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You should be able to tell which JBLs are in you amp without taking the back off. The D140 has ridges near the edge of paper cone and the D130 is smooth over the entire cone. You should be able to see this through the grill cloth.