
Subject: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?

Posted by [Parsons](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2017 00:41:23 GMT

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Hello,

if my memory serves me well, there is a combo version of the Kustom III Lead (head). Does anyone remember what the name of this version is?

Thanks in advance!
mathias.

EDIT: Could it be, that it is just called "III Lead SC"?

Are they similar in sound?

Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?

Posted by [Snodgrass](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2017 01:34:51 GMT

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I know they had the 2x12 combo in that series I'm pretty sure it was just the III lead sc. I had the 4x12 stack at one point and it was a great amp just missing the cool tuck n' roll.

Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?

Posted by [stevem](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2017 11:19:15 GMT

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If you go into this site's literature section you will see that the term SC / self contained is only used in terms of tuck & roll amps.

The amps you are questioning from what I recall are only named the Lead II or Lead III model.

The Lead 2 model had a output of 75 watts RMS, and the Lead 3 was 125 RMS .

If you pm Pleat I believe he would know for sure about the names of these models.

Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?

Posted by [Snodgrass](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2017 11:53:55 GMT

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Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?

Posted by [pleat](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2017 23:33:07 GMT

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Kustom didn't offer the Lead III in a 2x12 version. The Lead III was only offered in the piggyback setup.
pleat

Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?

Posted by [Snodgrass](#) on Sun, 03 Dec 2017 17:44:31 GMT

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Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?

Posted by [pleat](#) on Sun, 03 Dec 2017 19:43:46 GMT

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You are correct, I thought we were talking of the 73/74 series just after the T&R was gone. The Big K series did offer the 130 watt in both a 2x12 combo and the piggyback head. The older silver control panel only offered the Lead II 75 watt in a 2x12 cabinet.

pleat

Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?

Posted by [Parsons](#) on Wed, 13 Dec 2017 00:58:55 GMT

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Thanks to all for the answers.

I have the Kustom Lead III head + a 4x12 cabinet.

Model III-L SN 223045 was made approx September 1979.

Speaker cabinet model 4-12L SN S161498 was made approx October 1978.

I need to save some space and was considering selling the two (and one or two other Amps) and maybe instead get the 2x12 Lead III SC, if I can find one once. Was just playing with the thought in my mind. I was wondering, if the sound is much different.

Another reason is also, that it has a problem. After playing between half or an hour the volume drops and it gets quieter. I don't know, if I will find the time to repair this, if it is even repairable. But I will have to look into this another time.

Thanks so far!

Snodgrass wrote on Sat, 02 December 2017 06:53
I can't see that picture... It says I needed an upgraded account.

Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?
Posted by [steven](#) on Wed, 13 Dec 2017 11:21:47 GMT
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Thermal issues (volume drop outs) and tarnish on 35 plus year old slip on connectors go hand in hand !
I would be that if you just unplugged and reseated all the connectors in the amp it would work fine once again!

Subject: Re: What's the name of the Kustom III Lead combo version?
Posted by [Parsons](#) on Tue, 19 Dec 2017 22:54:36 GMT
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Thanks for the hint. I will look into the connectors, once I get the time. Now that I know what it is, it should be doable.
